

# Newsletter

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## Music Festival success

On Saturday our choir performed brilliantly at Chipping Norton School Hall, gaining a Commended certificate (the best grading given in the class!). They looked smart, sounded great and we are all very proud of them.

We were pleased with Willows Class (Y3/4) who recited poetry as part of the Speech and drama class of the CNMF on Tuesday afternoon to a packed hall, gaining a Merit certificate for Red Riding Hood and the Wolf and a Commended certificate for Rice Pudding. Thank you to our parent helpers, Eleanor Norgrove, Nadine Stiffle and Emma Belcher for accompanying us as parent helpers.

Our recorder group took part in the Ensemble class of the Music Festival on Wednesday afternoon, gaining a fantastic 'Distinction' for their brilliant performance. And well done to Henry, also in the Ensemble class, gaining a 'Merit' for his clarinet playing.

Thank you to all the peripatetic teachers for preparing the children so well. Just a reminder that the Y5/6 presentation is on Tuesday afternoon at 5pm at CNS - there are still some spare audience tickets, available from the office.

## Message from the Headteacher

Bella Knight, Headteacher for the day reports....

This is my first day as Headteacher at Middle Barton School. It has gone well so far.

I have taught Years 3 and 4 which went well. Before that, I led assembly and before I led assembly I opened the gate to let everyone into school and before I did that I had a briefing meeting with all the teachers to decide who will get the certificates today and that was the first thing I did today as Headteacher. It is really fun being Headteacher.

## **'WELL DONE!' to the following pupils who received awards this week:**

Acorns Class: Arden-Beau Steele  
Chestnuts Class: Honey Harris  
Sycamores Class: Bella Webb  
Willows Class: Whole Class  
Oaks Class: Abigail Cubley

Reading star of the week: Matilda Coates  
Writing star of the week: Jessica McStocker  
Maths star of the week: Jake Phelps  
PE star of the week: Gracie Ilott

Smartest dressed: Warren Stiffle

Growth mindset: Olivia Walker

Role-model of the week: Liah-Jamie Cherry and Jasmine Fraser



#### MIDDLE BARTON CHILDCARE OPTIONS

Places are available for Middle Barton Primary School and Pre-School pupils before & after school with Vicky Walker's childcare service.

Booking re-opens on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 and spaces are available immediately or from September 2017. For further details or a no obligation chat please contact Vicky on 01869 347617 or email [mbwraparoundcare@btinternet.com](mailto:mbwraparoundcare@btinternet.com)

See the separate email attachment for information on another childcare service, Little Quackers, run by Francesca Osei-Bempong and Sarah Pinion.

Furthermore, there are also some flyers (see attached email and in bookbags) for Sally Bryan's childminding service.

#### Twitter!

Don't forget to join our Twitter feed to follow us for news and updates. Go to [www.twitter.com](http://www.twitter.com)

#### Willows trip to Woodstock Museum

It was lovely to take Y3/4 children out of school yesterday morning for this trip and it was a really informative and worthwhile workshop (which was also completely free!)

#### Club dismissing arrangements

Please could all parents collecting from clubs meet children outside, either on the playground or outside the hall, depending on the club. It would be helpful if this could happen for all clubs including eco, Minecraft and recorders. If you are collecting from the hall, please can you come into the school site to pick up and wait near the hall door. Thank you.

#### Fairtrade success

Thank you to everyone who has contributed cakes for our Fairtrade cake sale today after school.  
Total raised to be announced next week!

#### Dogs!

We are having an ongoing problem with dog owners not clearing up after their dogs near our school site, and particularly on the path between school and the main road. If you are aware of who may be causing these problems, please let the school office know so that we can follow it up. Thank you.

#### Assessment week

This week it has been Assessment week and it is pleasing to see how focussed and calm the children have been whilst working on tests and other material.

#### Eco club thanks

Thank you to the Fleming Estate for allowing the Eco Club to put their bird boxes up in their copse. This is much appreciated by all of eco club!

**Reminders** - there will be no choir on Tuesday due to Mrs Tailby and Y5/6 being at the partnership music presentation at CNS. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Also, for the Y1 dance festival on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March, the children will be returning by coach and will walk back up to school from North Street for collection at the slightly later time of 3.20-3.30pm.