

# Newsletter

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## Forthcoming fete!

Don't forget that it's our school fete on Sunday between 12 and 2pm. There will be a chance to see the almost completed eco site. If you haven't yet returned your raffle tickets, please do so as soon as possible - thank you!

## Message from the Headteacher

I am delighted to be able to finally share the result with you from our recent OFSTEd inspection. We have sent home one copy per family and a copy is also available on our website. Our overall grading is 'Good' and there are many positives to celebrate including values, curriculum, leadership, community, opportunities, productions, assemblies, safeguarding, governance, outdoor learning and global learning, all mentioned in the report, and all praised. The two areas to develop are attendance of some of our more vulnerable learners and to detail further the tracking of our able, gifted and talented pupils. These areas will both form a key part of the school development plan for the next academic year. The report will be also be on the OFSTEd website from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July.

I would just like to take this opportunity to thank the leadership team, staff, governors, pupils and parents for all the support, hard work and sheer dedication invested over the last four years to get such a positive result. OFSTEd has recognised a school which is thriving, happy and that has a real drive to be the best it can be. I am proud to be its headteacher.

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

**Acorns Class:** Poppy Edgar

**Chestnuts Class:** Xander Thompson

**Sycamores Class:** Jake Phelps

**Willows Class:** Gemma Massey

**Oaks Class:** Ellie Unthank

**Reading star of the week:** Lachie Ingram

**Writing star of the week:** Lily Reed & Harry Bishop

**Maths star of the week:** Harry Cruickshank

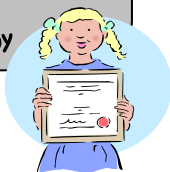
**PE star of the week:** Ousman Saidi

**Lunchtime award:** Harrie Peedell

**Smartest dressed:** Ellie Newell

**Growth mindset:** Evie Hall

**Role-model of the week:** Elizabeth Denby



## Sports day arrangements

Just a reminder that we are looking forward to seeing you for our annual sports day on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July next week. Please do join your children for a picnic lunch at 12pm. The races will begin at 12.45pm. Keep your fingers crossed for dry weather!

## Annual reports

Next Friday your child will be coming home with his/her annual report, which details your child's attainment and progress in the key areas of the curriculum. Your child's class teachers (and the children themselves!) have spent a lot of time putting this together to ensure it is fair, accurate and helpful in reflecting the year your child has had in school. Please do complete the reply slip so that we can receive your feedback - thank you.

## Clubs update

Just a reminder that clubs will finish next week except; Chess and Library clubs which have already finished. Recorders will not run on 5<sup>th</sup>, but will run on 12<sup>th</sup> July. Multi-skills and Football clubs finish on 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> respectively. We already have plans for some new and exciting club opportunities for September - further details will follow in the new school year.

## KS2 production

This is fast approaching and we are all very excited about working and performing at Chipping Norton Theatre next week. Remember that FS and KS1 are coming to watch on Thursday afternoon - we hope they will be in for a treat! Thank you for all your support with the costumes. It is not too late to book tickets for the show and there are still a few seats available - the box office number is 01608 642350. By now you should also have had any transport arrangements confirmed for your child - please see the office if you need to change this at all. Just a reminder that we are expecting the children at the theatre at 9.15am and finishing at 2.45pm on the Wednesday. On the Thursday the start time will be the same but the collection time from the theatre is 3pm as the whole school will be there. Please can the children return to the theatre at 5.30pm on Thursday evening for the evening performance. A letter regarding the ordering of DVDs of the production has also gone home today. If you have already ordered a DVD, please can you sign the agreement slip regarding not putting the recording on social media. A final practice of all words over the weekend would be much appreciated - thank you.

## Health and fitness week

Next week it is our Health and Fitness week in school. Children need to come to school in uniform as usual.

Also, on Tuesday, the children are going to be making healthy fruit kebabs. Please could each child come to school with at least one piece of fruit, in order to make the kebabs. Thank you.

## Cycling proficiency

Well done to Tegan, Alana, Ellie G, Ryan, Sophie, Harry L, Ella-Rose, Johnny and Charlie who all successfully received certificates in their cycling proficiency test today. We are very proud of you all!

A huge thanks to Mrs Ashworth and her team of helpers who led and organised the sessions - much appreciated.

## Marathon update

Well done to:  
Aaron, Zac, Ousman, Hannah  
Pearce, Jake and Warren  
who have completed a half marathon  
and to:  
Lizzie who has completed a full  
marathon!

## Singing summer school

Would your child be interested in a singing summer school at Merton College in Oxford from 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July? If so, please see the email attachment....

### Residential

We are just awaiting the final few reply slips for our Y6 residential in November. Please hand into the office as soon as possible as we would like all the children to take part in this wonderful opportunity.

### Transition day

It was lovely to welcome 21 new children into school on Wednesday morning for our changeover session and good to see FS parents at the evening information session too. A special thanks to Grace, Archie and Jasmine from the PLT who modelled uniform, to Mrs McStocker and Mrs Gill who prepared nibbles and to FOMBS for providing drinks. If you didn't pick up your free bookbag (gift from FOMBS), please call into the school office to collect one – thank you. We hope the evening was helpful and will give you an idea of what to expect when your child starts school. It has also been pleasing to hear how well our Y6 children settled into their new schools on their transition sessions over the last couple of weeks.

### Y6 hoodies

In assembly today our Y6 leavers were presented with a leaver's hoody, a lovely gift which has been supplied by the Y6 parents. We are happy for the children to wear these in the last week of the school term (Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July) if they would like to.

### Preschool Quiz and Ploughman's supper

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July there will be a quiz and ploughman's supper at 7pm at a friendly local home in Middle Barton. They are looking for teams of up to six people and tickets cost £15 per person which includes the quiz, ploughmans, pudding and a glass of fizz. Please see preschool for more information or call (01869) 347968.

### Thank you, Miss Cole

This week we were sad to say goodbye to our Y2 trainee teacher, Miss Cole, who has been an asset to the team over the last 8 weeks. We wish you all the very best in your teaching career, Miss Cole, and thank you for the contribution you have made to Middle Barton School!

### Academy update

Don't forget that if you haven't sent any questions/comments through to our academy sub committee, you have until 3pm on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July to do so. Go to the academies page on the website for further information.

### Recorders, library and chess

There will be no chess, library or recorder club next week due to the KS2 rehearsal at the theatre. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

### PLT update

After the PLT's success at the Values conference last week, we are delighted that they have also been asked to present at Southwold Primary School on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 11am. Their fame and reputation is spreading! If your child is in the PLT, please can you only let us know if you **do not** wish your child to take part in this event - thank you.