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Committed to the care and education of your child within a Christian setting

Value of the Month: Love

Newsletter Term 3: 2017/18 (11)

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to wish you all a very happy half-term break. Do thank your children for all the hard work they have done this term.

Tim Edwards-Grundy

Values Award Certificates:

Congratulations to this week's winners:

George Buchan, Dexter O'Sullivan, Harriet Ingleton,
Thomas Kelliher, Amelia Corke, Elizabeth Titterton, Noah
Lyons, Barnaby Weetch



Secondary School Offers:

We would like to remind parents and carers of children in Year 6 that they should receive their offer of a secondary school place on Thursday 1st March.

Reception Place Offers:

We would like to remind parents and carers of pre-school children that they should receive their offer of a primary school place on Monday 16th April.

After School Clubs:

Please note that, in the interests of keeping the children at after school clubs safe, the gate on the field side of the school and the gate closest to Tesco will be locked from 3.45pm. If you are collecting your child from a club after this time, please could we ask you to use the gate onto the playground near the school hall. Thank you.

Alexander Divine Hospice:

Thank you to everyone who made and bought cakes for the Year 4 cake sale. The children raised £139.55 for Alexander Divine Hospice.

Stepping Stones, Nigeria:

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to our retiring collections after the Christmas performances and carol concerts. We raised £305.69 for Stepping Stones, Nigeria.

Marie Curie:

Thank you to everyone who supported our non-uniform day for Marie Curie; we raised £230.05.

School Meals:

Please see the attached menu, which begins after half-term and which can also be found on the school website. Please note that the vegetarian option on the second Thursday will be cheese and beans with jacket potato.



Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock

Half term and beyond!

sofo.org.uk/whats-on/ 01993 819211

Family Open Afternoon - just drop in

Wednesday 14th February 2018 2pm - 4pm **Just Drop In**
Come and enjoy our family-friendly Museum and make precious gifts for a loved one! £2 per child. Adults and under 3s FREE.



Holiday Kids Club - Rocking Rockets!

Friday 16th February 2018 10.00am - 12.30pm £8 **Booking essential**
<http://www.sofo.org.uk/product/rockingrockets/>



Your chance to make an exploding rocket in the garden. How far will it go?

Saturday Kids Club - Sensational Saxons!

Saturday 3rd March 2018 1.00pm - 3.30pm £7 **Booking essential**
<http://www.sofo.org.uk/product/sensationalsaxons/>

Meet the soldiers and settlers of Oxfordshire!



Wednesday Afternoon Workshops:

The recent workshops for parents have been really informative and helpful, but we do apologise for any confusion over the dates and times! We have made a couple of changes to the programme so that the phonics workshops can be repeated towards the end of term.

The revised programme is:

Wed. 21st Feb. 1.30-3pm - Fun with Phonics Part 2 (for those who attended Part 1)
Wed. 28th Feb. 3.30-5pm - Building a Confident Child
Wed. 7th March 3.30-5pm - Helping your Child with Homework (now a single workshop not two)
Wed. 14th March 3.30-5pm - Fun with Phonics Part 1 (for parents and carers of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2)
Wed. 21st March 3.30-5pm - Fun with Phonics Part 2

All workshops will be in the school hall. If you haven't already done so, please book your place so that we can provide sufficient refreshments and handouts! Thank you.

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Dates for your Diaries:

Wednesday 21st February - Phonics Workshop Part 2: 1.30 - 3pm
Wednesday 28th February - Confidence Workshop: 3.30 - 5pm
Thursday 1st March - World Book Day
Friday 2nd March - School Discos
Wednesday 7th March - Homework Workshop: 3.30 - 5pm
Thursday 8th March - Friday 9th March: Year 4 Residential to Bath and Chedworth
Saturday 10th March - Choir at Chipping Norton Music Festival
Tuesday 13th March - Year 2 Partnership Concert at Wood Green School at 6pm
Wednesday 14th March - Fun with Phonics Part 1: 3.30 - 5pm
Friday 16th March - Year 2 Trip to The Story Museum
Wednesday 21st March - Fun with Phonics Part 2: 3.30-5pm
Tuesday 27th March - National Children's Measurement Programme - Reception and Year 6
Thursday 29th March - Term ends at **3.15pm**
Monday 16th April - Term begins

Please see the calendar on the school website for further School Dates. Lists of holiday dates and school term dates can be found under Useful Information on the website.

Could you help a child to read and change their life forever?

Reading Helpers needed

ARCh (Assisted Reading for Children) is a local registered charity, which operates in Oxfordshire primary schools to help children who are struggling with reading. All it takes is one and a half hours twice a week during the school day as an ARCh volunteer in a primary school near you. **Full training is given and we provide ongoing support and reimburse travel expenses.** To find out more, please visit our website: www.archoxfordshire.org.uk or telephone us on 01869 320380.