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

Value of the Month: Compassion

Newsletter Term 1: 2018/19 (6)

Dear Parents/Carers,

Now that the weather is getting colder, please remember that children must bring coats to wear at playtimes. It is advisable that children have a pair of jogging trousers and a sweat shirt in their PE kit for outside PE. Thank you for your support.

Tim Edwards-Grundy

Values Award Certificates:

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Tyler Buckingham, Kai Sinilo, Toby Just, Harvey Willoughby, Olivia

Justo Rutherford, Clara Mitchell, Hanna Stewart, Catherine

Timpson, Sophie Hare, Samuel Hicks, Lincoln Squire, Cody Towns



and last week's winners:

Bella Harrison, Cathy Middleton, Lucas Denham, Adriana Sage,

Dylan Thiele, Harry Clarke, Isabella Tillson, Lola Foster, Quinn

Holman, Annabella Kelliher, Tom Siret, Lani Wright



Data Check Sheets:

Many thanks to all those of you who have already returned your child's data check sheets. If you have not already done so, please could you return these as soon as possible.



Children in Need:

Many thanks to everyone who donated to our collection for this year's Children in Need appeal; we raised £312.



Poppy Appeal:

Many thanks to everyone who donated to our collection for this year's Poppy appeal; we raised £235.87.

Primary Maths Challenge:

Mrs Lynch and the Year 5 and 6 teachers would like to say well done to the children in Years 5 and 6, who took part in the Primary Maths Challenge on Tuesday 13th November. They persevered and puzzled on all the problem solving questions!

Christmas Cards:

Thank you to all those who have bought Christmas cards and gifts of their child's design. The Friends are hoping to send these home on Friday.

The Friends' Fundraising Events:

The Friends would like to thank all those who helped to make last week's Quiz Night a success. They would also like to remind you that they still have two fundraising events coming up this term:

Tomorrow, the school discos will be held in the school hall. Please note the new timings for these below.

On Saturday 1st December, the Christmas Fair will be held in the school hall from 11am - 2pm. The success of this event is reliant on people's donations, so any chocolate, water/wine, preloved toys or raffle prizes are gratefully received. The Friends are still very short of helpers on the day, so if you could spare an hour to man a stall it would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to book a time for your child for Santa's Storytime, please may we remind you to return your booking slip to school by Monday 26th November.

If you have not had a chance yet, please do take a look at EasyFundraising:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/invite/2SBT9W/>

Thousands of stores participate, and donations to the school can be up to 15% of the value of your purchase. Please click the link above if you shop for anything online and would like to sign up.

Thank you for your support.

Christmas Lunch:

Your child should have brought home details of the Christmas lunch, which will be on Friday 14th December, the same day as our Christmas Jumper day. If you would like to order a Christmas lunch for your child, please return the slip to school by Friday 30th November. Thank you.

Dates for your Diaries:

School Discos - Friday 23rd November from 5 - 6pm (KS1) and from 6.30 - 7.30pm (KS2)

Christmas Fair - Saturday 1st December from 11am - 2pm

Year 6 Cake Sale - Friday 7th December

Flu Vaccinations (Reception - Year 5) - Tuesday 11th December

Reception Performance - Thursday 13th December at 6pm

Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 14th December

Years 1 & 2 Performance - Tuesday 18th December at 2pm

Years 3 & 6 Carol Service - Wednesday 19th December at 2pm in St. Mary's Church, Cogges

Years 1 & 2 Performance - Wednesday 19th December at 6pm

Years 4 & 5 Carol Service - Thursday 20th December at 2pm in St. Mary's Church, Cogges

Term Ends - Friday 21st December at 1.30pm

INSET Day - Monday 7th January

Term begins - Tuesday 8th January

Safeguarding Briefing:

If you volunteer in the school, we would like to invite you to a Safeguarding briefing from **3.30-4.30pm on Tuesday 11th December** in the school hall. If you are able to attend, please could you let the school office know. Thank you.



Christmas Events 2018

Saturday 1st December

6.30pm Carols in the Barn at Cogges Farm
Carols and readings in a unique festive atmosphere

Sunday 9th December

4pm Christingle Service
A service for children and all the family with Carols, the Christmas Story and Christingle candle lighting

Sunday 16th December

5pm & 7pm Carol Services
Contemporary carol service with mulled wine and mince pies served afterwards

Christmas Eve

3.30pm & 4.30pm Nativity Service
A family-friendly exploration of the Christmas story
11pm Carols and Communion
A traditional midnight service

Christmas Day

8am Traditional Communion Service
9.30am & 10.45am Christmas Services: Family services for all ages

Sunday
2nd
December
4 – 6 pm



Advent

**Everybody is
welcome –
kids must
bring an adult**



FREE (Donations welcome)

**Please bring some favourite Christmas
food to share!**

High Street Methodist Church

messychurch@witneymeth.org.uk

The UK's Air Ambulance Services are calling for your postage stamps.

The charity, which currently receives no government funding and therefore relies entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life-threatening medical emergencies, are continuing to recycle stamps to raise funds.

The charity is calling for all sorts of stamps and it does not matter whether they are British or overseas, new or used. Simply remove the stamps from used envelopes and keep hold of them until you find yourself with a large bundle.

Please either bring your stamps into school or post them to:

Air Ambulance - Stamp Appeal
59 Mitre Copse
Bishopstoke
Near Eastleigh
Hants
SO50 8QE

Thank you.



THE OXFORD & CAMBRIDGE SINGING SCHOOL

The Oxford and Cambridge Singing School is for boys and girls aged 7 - 13 who love to sing. The Singing School was established in 2013 to provide children and young adults with the opportunity to sing great classical music with world class coaches in a relaxed and fun environment and to develop their confidence and ability in singing and performing.

"How lucky are these young singers. They are brilliantly taught and have a lot of fun, and you will be amazed at what they achieve in just a few days - and all in the most beautiful surroundings." - Bob Chilcott

Pupils will learn some beautiful seasonal music and at the same time gain a background in vocal technique, music theory, music appreciation and history. Families are most welcome to come and listen to an informal concert at the end of each day.

To join our mailing list and for more information on our courses, please look at www.oxbridgesingingschool.com or email oxbridgess@gmail.com

3rd and 4th January 2019
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