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

Value of the Month: Hope
Newsletter Term 2: 2018/19 (10)

Dear Parents/Carers,

Please may I remind you that in the event of snow/emergency closure of the school, parents will be notified by e-mail or text, so please do let us know of any changes to your contact details as soon as possible. Snow closures will also be on the OCC schools' website and on the local radio stations (BBC Radio Oxford and Heart). Please may I also remind you that children must bring coats to wear at playtimes during this cold weather and that it is advisable that children have a pair of jogging trousers and a sweat shirt in their PE kit for outside PE.

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Values Award Certificates:

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Amelie Grimshaw, Darcey Perks, Sophia Khan, Sienna Mansell, Imogen Bryant, Finn Tysom, Bryony Higgs, Ronni Strachan, Ethan Macfadyen, Finley Peedell, Lexie Bosher, Zoe Cole

and to last week's winners:

Daisy Prior, Bobby Foster, Ella Hale, Rezaul Islam, Elizabeth Hubbard, Madeline Ormonde, Maria Cavaliere, Luke Thompson, Lily-Ann Cope, Logan Eaton, Sophia Collett, Morgan Peace

Sickness and Diarrhoea:

Please may we remind you that children should not return to school until 48 hours after their last episode of sickness and/or diarrhoea. Thank you for your cooperation.

Safer Internet Day:

On Tuesday 5th February, the school will participate in the nationwide Safer Internet Day. There will be a whole school assembly next week about staying safe on the internet. Classes will complete follow up activities during the week.

The Friends:

The Friends would like to thank everyone who is able to support the Quiz Night tomorrow. Doors will open at 7.30pm for an 8pm start.

They would also like to remind you about the different times for the School Discos, which will be held on Thursday 14th February.

Parents' Evenings:

Please note the dates below for the Parents' Evenings, which will take place after the half term holiday.

Dates for your Diaries:

- Friends Quiz Night – Friday 1st February
- Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 5th February
- M & M Production for Reception and Years 1, 2, 3 – Thursday 14th February
- School Discos – Thursday 14th February - Reception & KS1 at 4.30pm and KS2 at 6pm

- Half Term Holiday – 18th – 22nd February

- Allocation of Secondary School Places for September 2019 – Friday 1st March
- Year 4 Residential – Thursday 7th – Friday 8th March
- Year 2 Partnership Concert at 6pm – Tuesday 12th March
- Reception and Year 6 - height and weight measuring - School Health Nurses – Tuesday 26th March
- **Parents' Evening** – Year 5 only – Tuesday 26th March - 5 – 7pm
- **Parents' Evening** – all year groups – Thursday 28th March – 4 – 6pm

- **Parents' Evening** – NOT Year 5 – Tuesday 2nd April - 5 – 7pm
- Year 5 Performance – Wednesday 3rd April at 6pm
- Year 5 Performance – Thursday 4th April at 2pm
- Term ends **at 3.15pm** – Friday 5th April
- Allocation of Primary School Places for September 2019 – Tuesday 16th April
- Term begins – Tuesday 23rd April

Parenting Practitioners Oxfordshire

Parents!

You want your child to be happy, sociable, confident, BUT…

What if it doesn't FEEL good enough?

What if your child is difficult, upset, angry, anxious?

What if …you want some help?

Our small and friendly team has wide experience of working with parents when problems arise with children and teenagers. These might include:

- Challenging behaviour
- Emotional difficulties
- Anxieties
- Tricky parent-child relationships
- Special needs, mental health conditions or problems

We know that parents can sometimes feel under enormous pressure. What could our team offer you?

- One-to-one work, or you might prefer a group
- Effective strategies, a toolbox of ideas
- Greater understanding of your child's behaviours
- Improvements in parent-child relationships

Find us at:
www.parentingpractitionersoxfordshire.co.uk

Junior Saturday Art Club at City of Oxford College:

City of Oxford College offers a 5-week Creative Junior Saturday Art course for 8-12-year olds. Our art studios and facilities are second to none and will provide an inspiring and creative environment for each young person to explore all sorts of creative disciplines, including photography (darkroom and digital), graphic design, animation, printmaking, textiles, fashion, ceramics, 3D, painting and drawing.

The course takes place on Saturday mornings from 10am-12pm, and parents are very welcome to attend with their child at no extra cost. Full course information and how to enrol can be found using the link:

https://www.activatelearning.ac.uk/courses/art-design/junior-saturday-art-club-for-9-12-year-olds