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

Value of the Month: Caring

Newsletter Term 1: 2017/18 (2)

Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have made a fantastic start to the school year and are all settling well into their new classes. I hope that you were able to attend the recent curriculum meetings and to meet your child's class teacher. If you were unable to join us, please do look at our website for an overview of each year group's curriculum from now until Christmas.

Tim Edwards-Grundy

Values Award Certificates:

Congratulations to this week's winners:

Elise De Fraine, Jack Parry, Sophia Collett, Michelle Szulc, Mason Blake, Katie Robinson, Owen Morgan, Catherine Timpson, Elizabeth Hubbard, Clara Mitchell, Esme Reynolds, Charlie Walker



Travelling Book Fair

The Travelling Book Fair will be in the school hall on Friday 29th September after school and on Tuesday 3rd October before school. Please do come along and buy a book. We receive new books for the school library to the value of the books bought by you. Your child will bring home a leaflet today in their book bag.

School Playground:

Please may we remind you that children should not be in the school playground before 8.30am. A member of staff is in the playground from 8.30am in case of emergencies and to remind children not to play with balls or to ride bikes or scooters but not to supervise children. It is the parents'/carers' responsibility to supervise their children until school starts at 8.55am. If you have a child in Year 5 or 6, who walks to school on their own, we strongly recommend that they do not arrive at school before 8.45am; please also ensure that your child's teacher is aware so that they can monitor attendance.

Eco-Council:

Congratulations to our new Eco-councillors.

1JP/RP	Lucas Maskell
1RC/SOC	Phoebe Meagher
2JM	Freddie Plumb
2AUW	Ambre Vian Heraud
3FH	Amber Peace
3VH	Owen Gomersall
4KH	Charlie Palmer
4DR	Henry Muscat
5ZL	Jake Coull
5AN	Ellie Williamson
6AH	Aiden Holman
6CM	Max Cunningham

School Council:

Congratulations to our newly elected school councillors. Last year's Year 5 school councillors will now be school ambassadors.

Year 1JP/RP	Alfie Lewis Beatrice Sollis
Year 1RC/SOC	Daniel Jerred Lauren Storey
Year 2JM	Sophia Aitken Finn Tysom
Year 2AUW	Amelia Burgoyne Finley Ker
Year 3FH	Noah Benson Amber Jerred
Year 3VH	Eva Carter Joseph Osborne
Year 4KH	Daisy Ker Noah Lyons
Year 4DR	Lottie Harris Jamie Washbrook
Year 5ZL	Lydia Meller Kai Susmuth
Year 5AN	Leah Bradley Asha Vaudrey
Year 6AH	Kathryn McCulloch Joseph Raven
Ambassadors	Elizabeth Cowley Barnaby Weetch
Year 6CM	Oscar Bryant Ellie Jackson
Ambassador	Layce Ealey

Cake Sale:

Class 5AN have been learning about street children and working children in India, and we were lucky enough to welcome a visitor from the Karunalaya charity in assembly this morning. Following this, Year 5 will be holding a cake sale on Friday 6th October to raise money for the charity. Please support them by buying a cake in the playground after school.

The Nurturing Programme - How to get the best out of family life.

Starting on Thursday 28th September, the course will be held in school from 3.30pm-4.45pm each week. It is for all parents, partners and carers.

Places are still available, so please register your interest with Judith Ledden, Home School Key Worker (jledden@blake.oxon.sch.uk or mobile: 07864 814818). Please go to: <https://familylinks.org.uk/parents> for more information.

Dates for your Diaries:

Thursday 28th September - Family Links begins at 3.30pm

Friday 29th September - Travelling Book Fair at 3.15pm

Tuesday 3rd October - Travelling Book Fair at 8.30am

Thursday 5th October - Year 4 Apple Giving Ceremony

Friday 6th October - Reception Little Red Hen Trip

Friday 6th October - Year 5 Cake Sale

Monday 9th - Friday 13th October - QUINTA

Tuesday 10th October - Year 5 Greek Workshop

Friday 20th October - Harvest Festival

Friday 20th October - Term ends at **3.15pm**

Monday 30th October - Back to School

Friday 3rd November - Quiz Night

Tuesday 7th November - Year 3 Trip

Wednesday 8th November - Year 4 Trip

Friday 10th November - School Discos

Thursday 7th December - Reception Performance at 6pm

Saturday 9th December - Christmas Fair

Monday 11th December - KS2 Carol Service at St. Mary's, Cogges at 2pm

Tuesday 12th December - KS2 Carol Service at St. Mary's, Cogges at 2pm

Wednesday 13th December - Years 1 & 2 Performance at 2pm

Thursday 14th Wednesday - Years 1 & 2 Performance at 6pm

Tuesday 19th December - Term ends at **1.30pm**

Parents' Evenings:

Please note that this term not all year groups will have Parents' Evenings at the same time.

Wednesday 11th October: 3.30 - 6pm (2AUW only)

Thursday 12th October: 3.30 - 6pm (not Y.6 or 2AUW)

Tuesday 17th October: 4.30 - 7pm (not Y.6)

Tuesday 31st October: 3.30 - 6pm (Y.6 only)

Thursday 2nd November: 4.30 - 7pm (Y.6 only)

Open, Sesame! at 11:30am on Sunday 1st October promises to be a magical concert for children and adults alike, filled with the mystery and colour and excitement of Persia and the Orient. **Oxford Chamber Music Festival** will re-tell stories first told by Scheherazade in the 1001 Nights; they will improvise a live, dramatic, surprising soundtrack, using Western and Eastern instruments! For more information, please contact OCMF: office@ocmf.net 07957 997 487.

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Oxford Philharmonic Orchestra op

Tel: 01865 980 980
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Sunday 12 November 2017
 Oxford Town Hall, 3pm

FUNomusica Family Concert
Pirates, Ahoy!

Most suitable for ages 4-8
 Pre-concert craft activities at 2pm

Alasdair Malloy presenter
 Welcome aboard our swashbuckling pirate ship - be prepared to be taken on a musical adventure across the seven seas!

Supported by the D'Oyly Carte Charitable Trust

Tickets: adults £10 children £4



Oxford Sport and Traditional Martial Arts offer a **FREE MONTH** of taster sessions, for anyone who would like to give it a go. Classes are available in your area now for children as young as 3 years. If you would like to find out more and help your child to get fit, be confident and school/street safe, please contact Claire Maden on 07540 316 188 or cmmartialarts@live.co.uk to reserve a place.



'WITNEY'S WARM WELCOME' - Asylum Sounds 2017

After the success of last year's 'Asylum Sounds' event, Witney Refugee Action are once again planning a local music and arts fundraiser in September. This year it will be happening on Saturday 30th September, again at the Rock Barn in Witney. Musicians, poets, artists and others will take to the stage together with family-friendly arts and crafts, mural painting, cake and street-food stalls, running from 2pm to 11.30pm. All funds raised will go to our continued efforts to support refugees across the world, as well as here in West Oxfordshire, as our group embark on a new initiative to sponsor a refugee family to come to Witney, through the Government's community resettlement scheme. As part of the craft activities on the day, we are excited to be launching 'Witney's Warm Welcome Quilt', where children will be able to make and decorate a patch to be sewn into a quilt. The quilt will be presented to the family we eventually welcome with the funds raised through the event itself.

For more event details look on Facebook: Asylum Sounds 2017.

The Museums Resource Centre Open House

Witney Road (A415), Standlake, OX29 7QG
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Sunday 8th October 2017
10am - 4pm

Free Admission • Guided Tours
 Conservation • Preservation
 Collections • Talks



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