



BISHOP LOVEDAY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Be kind, be honest and have courage to live 'life in all its fullness' (John 10:10)

Thursday 19/10/2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing turn out at church this morning, it was so lovely to sing and share our service with such a full church. We have also had a fantastic worship at school for our early years' children. Thank you so much for all of your support and donating food to Banbury Food Bank.

Gemma Ross, who has been a Teaching Assistant in Year 5, will be leaving us at the end of this term, we wish her all the best for the future.

Christmas Card Competition:

We have the opportunity to enter our MP's Christmas Card competition. The competition is open to all primary school children and the winner will have their design printed on all of Mrs Prentis' Christmas cards that are sent out. Even the Prime Minister will see it!

If your child would like to enter, please send their card design to: Victoria Prentis, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA.

Secondary School Places:

Just a little reminder that deadlines for secondary school applications is 31st October. If you are thinking about choosing Warriner, you still need to apply please. You will be guaranteed a place, but this still has to be on the form provided: [Admissions \(oxfordshire.gov.uk\)](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions)

As a reminder tomorrow is Inset Day so school is not open and we look forward to welcoming you back on the 30th October.

Have a lovely, restful, half term.

Best Wishes,

Dee Loader

Head of School

THIS WEEK...
Important Dates
Our Week of Learning
Awards
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Other

Important Dates:

OCTOBER 2023	
Thursday 19 th October	END OF TERM 1 - 3.15pm (Homework Club and WAC will continue as normal)
Friday 20 st October	INSET DAY – No children in school
Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October	HALF TERM
Monday 30 th October	TERM 1 BEGINS - 8.55AM
Tuesday 31 st October – Friday 3 rd November	Year 6 Residential
NOVEMBER 2023	
Thursday 9 th November	Flu Vaccination
Monday 13 th November @ 2:30	Any Parent of a Preschool Child – to celebrate World Nursery Rhyme Week –Parents and Preschool children are able to attend a Funky Pants Session (Music and Dance) in the School Hall £2 pay on the door.
Monday 13 th November	Parents Evening – Further details to follow
Tuesday 14 th November	Parents Evening for 3BW only
Wednesday 15 th November	Parents Evening – Further details to follow
Friday 17 th November	(All) Children in Need Day – Wear Spotty Non- Uniform £1 donation
DECEMBER 2023	
Monday 11 th December @ 2:15pm	KS1 Christmas Play – School Hall For the parents/ carers of 1CW and 2SP
Tuesday 12 th December @ 2:15pm	KS1 Christmas Play – School Hall For the parents/ carers of 1TS and 2LH
Thursday 14 th December @ 2:15pm	Early Years Christmas Play – School Hall Further information to follow
Thursday 13 th December @ 5:30	Carols By Candlelight – Bodicote Church

Our Week of Learning:

Early Years last group of children had an amazing time at the farm. The children enjoyed cutting up fruit to make their fruit salad which they all enjoyed eating. We finished our week off with our Harvest Festival where we sang, showed off our artwork and finished the afternoon creating a family piece of autumn art.

Year 1 Wow! What a busy and brilliant first term Year 1 have had settling in! This week we had a lot of fun following instructions to make our own bubble wands. We used pipe cleaners to make a shape in the wire, choosing carefully our imperative 'bossy' verbs; bend, make, blow, watch. We dipped our shapes in the bubble mixture and made hundreds of bubbles to float away! We have been reading our class text *The Owl Who Was Afraid Of The Dark* this half term, and enjoyed thinking about all the different ways that Plop the baby barn owl is persuaded to like the dark. 1CW enjoyed toasting marshmallows around the campfire in their final Forest School session of this term. 1TS had fun in their final music lesson of this term, learning about rhythm and pulse.

Year 2 have had a great week. The children have been working so hard in literacy writing their baby dragon recounts. The children also sang beautifully at our Harvest service in church.

Year 3 The children have enjoyed practicing the Harvest songs and performed them beautifully at the church service today.

Year 4 have finished writing their letters to author Cressida Cowell whose book we have been reading as our class text. We also enjoyed singing at our Harvest Festival today.

Year 5 have had a super busy week making and evaluating their Archimedes screws in DT. They have also been adding numbers (up to 5 digits) and solving missing number addition problems. The Year 5 children have also enjoyed learning the Harvest songs and singing with Year 6. We look forward to exploring the 'King Midas' story in more detail when we return after half term.

Year 6 have been working on multiplication and have enjoyed writing biographies about the explorer Ernest Shackleton. They have also enjoyed decorating their beanie hats.

Awards:

Sebastian competed in the British Championships at the weekend and came away with a silver and gold in Sparring and Gold in Patterns:



Isabelle (4CS) – Received a Blue Peter badge because she wrote a letter explaining how she has helped the environment.

Aariyan M (1CW) – Was the Player of the Week for the Banbury Rugby Club U6/7

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL! YOU ARE FANTASTIC!

Sports:

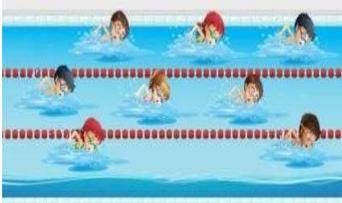
We have arranged for The Activators, from Cherwell District Council, to provide an afterschool club for **KS2** which will take place each Tuesday between 3:30pm – 4:30pm, for six weeks, running from **Tuesday 7th November - Tuesday 12th December**.

The cost is £1 per session and children should wear their PE kit.

The Activators after school club is a six-week programme of weekly, one-hour sessions. During these sessions the focus is on fun, accessible games which will help children be active, and build teamwork skills. They'll be structured in a way that makes it easy for children to transfer the skills they learn out of the Youth Activator sessions and school environment and play them with friends and family.

If you would like your child to take part in this afterschool club please follow the link provided to electronically give your child permission to attend. <https://forms.office.com/e/5b0cw16NKW>

Swimming Lessons Congratulations to the following for achieving your School Swimming Distance Awards this week...



25m – Amelia S

Kindness Ambassadors

A colorful poster for 'The Great Spottacular' event. The background is yellow with various colored circles. At the top, it says 'THE GREAT SPOTACULAR' in large white letters. Below that, it says 'BBC CHILDREN IN NEED'. The main text reads: 'WHAT Spotty non-uniform day - £1 donation WHEN & WHERE Friday 17th November 2023'. At the bottom, there is a drawing of a yellow character with a spotted belly. To the right, there are two circular callouts: a red one that says 'WE'RE RAISING MONEY FOR BBC CHILDREN IN NEED' and a pink one that says 'CONTACT BLS Kindness Ambassadors'.

Other:

Headlice

We have had a number of cases of headlice in the school. Please could everybody check their child's hair over the holidays and treat if necessary.

LIVING WELL with NEURODIVERSITY
NHS Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust

A new support service
from Oxfordshire CAMHS in collaboration with AutismOxford UK Limited

Is your family open to/involved with CAMHS services?



Is your young person either suspected or diagnosed as neurodiverse (autism/ADHD)?



FREE COURSES AND SUPPORT FOR YOU!

A range of sessions available covering different topics.
Informal spaces for parents/carers to safely share experiences/tips.
Facilitated by professionals and lived experience practitioners.

Scan the QR code to access the events and resources!

<https://onhs.autismoxford.com/>

If you have any questions, please email us on youngpeoplesupport@autismoxford.org.uk



Working together to deliver the best for our communities, our people & the environment

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Outstanding care by an outstanding team

