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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Children,



Years 3&4 football team for their commitment to the game, their sportsmanship with each other and their positive attitude towards their opponents – well done for coming 2nd in the school tournament.



| Week beginning | 2 nd December | 9 th December | 16 th December |
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| Monday | Years 3&4 swimming – normal school clothes please 2.30pm Christingle assembly in church Relaxed Kids club | No swimming Lego workshop for the whole school | Nativity performances 11am & 2pm – please let the office know which performance you will be attending No swimming |
| Tuesday | Creative club | 7pm Carols at the Perch and Pike No creative club | Nativity performances 11am & 2pm – please let the office know which performance you will be attending No creative club |
| Wednesday | Writing club | No writing club | 9.15am Carols in the church – everyone welcome! Donations of goods for the local food bank http://abingdonfoodbank.org/ |
| Thursday | Whole school trip to Oxford Playhouse back by the end of the day Packed lunches for everyone please! Junior cross country at Goring- 3.15 pick up | Christmas craft fayre | 12pm end of year Christmas Lunch at the village hall. Party clothes required, suitable shoes please. Children can be collected after 2pm. |
| Friday | Y5&6 Young leaders Infants & Juniors Forest school – suitable clothes required and a change of clothes and shoes please | Y5&6 Young leaders No forest school No sports club | |



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Christingle Assembly – Monday 2nd December

Everyone is welcome to our Christingle assembly with Rev Ben on Monday 2nd December at 2.30pm in St Andrew's Church. Please come along to listen to the story of Christingle and join in our celebrations. All proceeds will go to the Children's Society.



BEAUTY & THE BEAST WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TRIP – Thursday 05th December.

On Thursday 5th December we have booked tickets for the whole school to attend Beauty & the beast at the Oxford Playhouse. We will be leaving school at 9am and will be returning to school at 1pm. the children will need a packed lunch. Please complete the below permission slip and return to school **by 2pm on Monday 2nd December.** We are still waiting for a lot of permission slips.



Children in Need CHILDREN IN NEED – Sponsored run/walk.

Massive well done to all the children, teachers and helpers on our sponsored walk/run to help raise money for Children In Need. Please could we ask for all sponsorship forms and money to be handed into school by **Friday 6th December.**

YEAR 3,4,5&6 CROSS COUNTRY @GORING – Thursday 05th DECEMBER.

The juniors have their last cross country competition of the year on Thursday 6th December (after the panto in the morning). The event runs from 1.30 until 3.15. Children need collecting from the event at this time please as we cannot transfer them back to school. This is being held at Sheepcot field in Goring (where the tennis club is, just past the train station). **Those wanting to come will be taken directly to the cross country from the panto so need to come into school dressed in PE kit.** They will also need their packed lunch with them as we will eat that there also; so having a small rucksack may be beneficial that day rather than a big school bag. Please complete attached permission slip or email school office.

Nativity costumes

Please find attached a list of the costumes required for the nativity play. We expect no one to buy a costume as most things can be found in wardrobes or borrowed from other children. We also have many accessories in school e.g. kings crowns, shields, angel wings. So please don't purchase things as we don't want this to cause extra expense at Christmas. If you are having any problems with putting a costume together please let school know and we will see what we can find.

Nativity play

The nativity play this year will be held on Monday 16th December and Tuesday 17th December with performances at 11am and 2pm. We are having to restrict the number in our audience this year so can only have about 30 people for each performance. Please contact the school office when you know which performance you would like to attend, so we can keep a record of how many people we are expecting. Thank you!

Junior class forest school

To help with the preparation for this years Christmas Fayre the whole junior class will be going to Forest school on Friday 6th December. They will still be having PE in the morning so need to be in their PE kit for the morning and then bring with them their forest school gear to change into please.



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Year 5 & 6 homework

For the rest of this term Year 5/6 will not have any weekly homework. There is a lot going on in school (and I imagine outside too) so therefore I would like them to use this extra time to learn their lines for the school nativity and songs. They have also been given log-ins for Timetable Rockstars which they can access at home for extra times table revision.

Plastic bottles and tin cans

If you have any spare clear plastic bottles, jam jars or tin cans please could these be brought to school for Monday. Thank you.

YEAR 3&4 HOMEWORK.

This week we have been imagining how our Sock Machine works and we have been creating our own sound words.

This week I want you to listen carefully to a machine at home and describe how it sounds. This could be any kind of machine you choose such as a washing machine, lawn mower, drill, dishwasher.

In your description imagine the moving parts in the machine.

It would be great to see lots of punctuation, extended noun phrases and joined up handwriting. Please make sure your writing is presented well and include a picture if you want to.

A noun phrase

*A small group of words that does not contain a **verb**. A noun phrase contains a noun plus words to describe it - for example, 'the spotty, black dog'.*

PE DAYS.

PE Days are as follows:

Infants - Wednesday (the children can come into school in their PE kits

Juniors - Friday (the children can come into school in their PE kits

- Monday (the children are to come into school in their school uniforms and bring their swimming kit in a separate bag)

Should there be any additional PE that requires full kit, we will let you know beforehand.

DROPPING OFF CHILDREN IN THE MORNING.

A gentle reminder: Every day we try to ensure that a member of staff is on the playground at 8.30am. On occasions we are late coming onto the playground. Please ensure that you only drop off your child/ren after 8.30am and when a member of staff is on duty. If there is not a staff member on duty, please ring the doorbell.



TECH CLUB - Years 3,4,5&6 ONLY

We would like to organise a Technology club in January and Next Thing Education will be running a Technology assembly in school to introduce themselves. The club would run from Thursday 9th January 2020 from 3.15pm-4.15pm for 6 weeks. Details of costs are on the information attached.

Miss Wadsworth has kindly offered to run an infant sibling club, for any siblings of children taking part in tech club.





CHRISTMAS FAYRE - Thursday 12th December



The school council are holding a Christmas Fayre this year as a way of raising funds for the school. The difference to our Christmas Fayre though is that everything will be handmade by the children in school and at Forest school. All the children in school will be involved in making things for the fayre. School council's agenda this year is to try and improve how green the school is and we are hoping that this is a start to the process. So far in the pipeline we have families of reindeer being constructed, hanging snowman and star ornaments and wrapping paper. More will be available on the day. We have attached photos so you can see some of the fantastic things Miss Hearne is making with the children. Due to the time needed to create these items we are asking that parents let Miss Hearne know if they are interested in buying some of the items, so we have enough made for the day.



Save the Children

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY - Friday 13th December.

Friday 13th December is save the children Christmas jumper day. We would really like all children to take part in wearing a Christmas jumper, and bringing in any donations for the cause. We appreciate all your support.



SWIMMING - Junior class

Year 5/6 dates: **13/1, 27/1, 10/2, 9/3, 23/3**

Year 3/4 dates: **2/12, 20/1, 3/2, 2/3, 16/3, 30/3**

On your child's swimming day, they will need to bring a bag containing a swimming costume/pants, hat, goggles, towel, mid- morning snack & water bottle can we also please ensure that earrings are removed or covered with water proof tape/plasters.



TWITTER

We have set up a Twitter account for the school and we are starting to upload pictures and examples of work for you to look at. We will not be publishing pictures which identify children at any time. To follow us please click on the link below or on our website.

<https://twitter.com/SSprimaryschool>



PA NEWS.

ONLINE SHOPPING.

As the online shopping market is constantly growing, there is an easy way to contribute to our PA charity. The APP "Shop&Give" (free download) gives a little percentage to a charity of your choice. Please add the South Stoke Parents Association during the set up and you can use this for shopping on Amazon, Tesco etc.

SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LOTTERY.

We have joined South Oxfordshire's very own charitable lottery. You could win up to £25,000 with each ticket having a 1 in 50 chance of winning a prize!!!

Better still, the PA get 50% of the ticket price. So why wait? Sign up now, buy as many tickets as you can afford and good luck! <https://www.socharitable.co.uk/support/south-stoke-primary-school-pa>



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Term Diary Dates 2019/20:

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| 02 nd December | Christingle assembly Rev Ben 2.30pm Y3&4 swimming |
| 04 th December | Writing Club |
| 05 th December | Whole school trip - Oxford Playhouse NO HOT LUNCHES KS2 Cross Country 1.15PM @Goring |
| 06 th December | Sports Leaders |
| 09 th December | NO SWIMMING |
| 10 th December | Carols @ the Perch and Pike 7pm / NO CREATIVE CLUB |
| 11 th December | NO WRITING CLUB |
| 13 th December | Christmas Jumper day / NO SPORTS CLUB |
| 17 th December | Nativity / NO CREATIVE CLUB |
| 18 th December | Carols in Church |
| 19 th December | Assembly/Christmas Lunch - END OF TERM |
| 6 th January | INSET DAY |
| 7 th January | Term 3 starts |
| 07 th February | Young Voices Wembley |
| 14 th February | END OF TERM |
| 24 th February | Term 4 starts |
| 31 st March | Parents Evening |
| 03 rd April | End of Term 1.30pm finish |
| 20 th April | Term 5 starts |
| 27 th April | Fs & Yr6 Height & Weight |
| 08 th May | Bank Holiday / VE DAY |
| 11 th - 14 th May | SATS week |
| 22 nd May | End of Term |
| 01 st June | Term 6 starts |
| 08 th June | Ks1 Phonics screening |
| 10 th July | Sports Day |
| 14 th July | School Disco |
| 16 th July | Memories Assembly |
| 17 th July | 12.45pm Yr 6 Assembly / End of Term 1.30pm |
| 20 th & 21 st July | INSET |

WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS TRIP **Beauty & the beast @Oxford Playhouse.**

I give permission for _____ to attend Beauty & the beast at the Oxford Playhouse.

Signed _____ Date _____



**KS2 CROSS COUNTRY
PERMISSION SLIP.**

I give permission for _____ to attend the Cross Country at Goring.

I will pick my child up from Goring at 3.15pm ☐

Someone else will collect my child _____ ☐

Signed _____ Date _____

W/C 09/12/2019

SCHOOL MEALS WEEKLY MENU FORM

School meals cost £2.20 per day, per child for any child Yr. 3-6

Name of child **Year**

WEEK 3 (as marked on menu) Please tick in the box next to the preferred meal & hand in by Thursday please

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| MONDAY | | | | |
| Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce | | Quorn Sausage Paella | | Special GF |
| TUESDAY | | | | |
| Teriyaki Chicken With Rice | | Vegetarian Pasta Bolognese | | Special GF |
| WEDNESDAY | | | | |
| Roast Gammon & Yorkshire Pud | | Roast Quorn & Yorkshire Pud | | Special GF |
| THURSDAY | | | | |
| Spaghetti Bolognese | | Cheese & Onion Pinwheel | | Special GF |
| FRIDAY | | | | |



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| Oven Baked Fish Fillet | | Crispy Quorn Dippers | | Special GF | |
| | | | | TOTAL | £ |

As indicated on the menu, each main course is served up with a selection of pasta, potatoes or rice, vegetables and a pudding. Also, a cup of fresh fruit or fruity yoghurt pot, fresh salad, bread and milk are available every day.

Payment can be made in cash. Cheques should be made payable to Oxfordshire County Council. You can pay for your child's food weekly or termly, please talk to Mrs Baines if you would like to arrange termly payments.

Please ensure menus are returned to the school office by Friday morning.

