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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Children,



SPORTS DAY.

This year's sports day will be held on Friday 19th July. In a change from last year we will be having our event in the afternoon. Races will begin at 1:30 and children can then go home straight after the event. We will be at the recreation ground from 12 for the usual family picnic so please come at 12 and share your lunch with your children. We look forward to seeing you all there-don't forget your trainers!!

JUNIOR CLASS ROUND UP

What an amazing week the juniors have had! Some of Year 6 have been busy visiting Langtree and have had a really lovely time. The rest of us have been busy working on our space topic which we are really proud of and looking forward to sharing with you in our upcoming space cafe.

Wednesday saw a very busy day for us. We had a wonderful day full of singing at Dorchester Abbey. The children did so well dealing with learning lots of songs and performing in an amazing setting. We were really impressed with their attitude and how well they got on. Special mentions to Izzy and Delilah for their presenting skills-a daunting task in front of a large audience.



Wednesday was then rounded off brilliantly as we went to our first ever archery tournament. We had a real mixed team of Rosie, Kit, Ben, Charlotte, Henry and Ellie who represented the school absolutely amazingly. We



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played St Johns from Wallingford who put up a great fight, but our amazing archers came through and took the win. I was so incredibly proud of them. They will now go on to play All Saints from Didcot In the South Oxfordshire final. Massive congratulations and thank you parents for your support in this sport.



Our week was then topped off at the Kwik Cricket tournament at Goring. Our team really played well and clearly really enjoyed themselves. They displayed great bowling and batting techniques but what was especially fantastic was there support of each other throughout the afternoon.



YEAR 5&6 BIKEABILITY.

Bikeability is the Department for Transport approved cycling scheme and delivers the National Standard for road cycle training. It is open to Years 5 and 6 and the course is run over two days.

Day 1 is the Level 1, which takes place in your playground and where we prepare the pupils for cycling on the road before we progress to Level 2, which takes place on the road. Because the training is focused on teaching children to ride safely on the road, the participants already need to be able to ride a bicycle. If any of your pupils cannot currently ride, other arrangements will need to be made for them and we can discuss this separately. Attached is the consent form, which needs completing and returning to the school office in advance of the training.

Bike:

To take part in the Bikeability cycling course, your child will require a roadworthy bike of the correct size. Please take time to check your child's bike beforehand, paying particular attention to the fit for your child, tyres, brakes and the chain. It is a legal requirement that bikes ridden on the road have two working brakes, a rear red reflector and orange pedal reflectors.

Helmet:

Cycle helmets must be worn for the Bikeability course. The helmet must be a snug fit, free of damage and be specifically for cycling. Please note that full-face (downhill style) helmets are not suitable for road use as they impair the child's ability to see and hear traffic.

Suitable Clothing:

We ride in all weather conditions (unless it is unsafe due to snow and ice). Please check the weather forecast in advance and ensure that appropriate clothing is worn for the activity and the weather. We will be outdoors for the duration of the course, so sun screen should be applied if it is hot and sunny. High visibility vests will be provided by the instructors for use during the on-road training.

HARCOURT ARBORETUM SUMMER FAIR.

Harcourt Arboretum have a Summer Fair coming up on Saturday 29th June which is themed around their wildflower meadow and wildlife. We have attached a copy of the poster for the event for anyone who may be interested.



GO BEANIES SUMMER ACTIVITY DAY CAMP @ BEALE PARK.

Summer Camp 2019 takes place at Beale Park Wildlife Park & Gardens from the 29th July to the 23rd August. As part of our community promise to schools, we will also donate 5% of all weekly bookings made by parents to the



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school's PTA (subject to a minimum of 10 bookings). The PTA will require a promotional code so please can you kindly forward this message onto them to support fundraising activity. We are also very happy to donate some places at camp for the School's Summer Fete raffle (please email info@gobeanies.org to confirm your interest - terms & conditions apply).

More information can be found at our website www.gobeanies.org The camp will also be featured in the latest issue of the Primary Times magazine.

Finally, on a related note we are now offering Go Beanies Play & Learn, our breakfast & after-school childcare service for schools & working parents. More information can be found on our website at www.gobeanies.org. Would this be of interest?

SUMMER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

The Festival of Archaeology activity taking place at The Oxfordshire Museum on 20/21st July being organised by Cherwell Archaeology

<https://festival.archaeologyuk.org/events/archaeology-oxfordshire-museum-woodstock-1553094463>

Wicked Wednesdays - Summer Programme of Family Activities for children aged 7+ at the Oxfordshire Museum Woodstock.

Wednesday 31 July

Ivar the Boneless and friends

Join our amazing interactive story session. Discover Ivar the Boneless and his Viking buddies as they rampage across England fighting dragons, tricking kings and riddling their way out of all sorts of trouble. Discover what it's like to be a Viking in these stories about Viking Age England.

Set workshops 11am - 12noon and 2pm - 3pm

Free

Family activity for children aged 7+

Tickets from Museum reception

Wednesday 7 August

Iron Age Mystery and Magic

Help animate our story about the Didcot Mirror; make clay characters and bring them to life with stop motion software. The end result will be a short film for everyone to enjoy.

Drop-in 11am - 3.30pm every 30 minutes on the hour and half hour.

Family activity for children aged 7+

£2 per child or £5 per family up to 3 children

Tickets from Museum reception

Wednesday 14 August

Teeth Detectives

Get hands on with animal and human teeth, jaws and skulls. Discover the science of teeth and make your own cast of human teeth to take home.

Workshops 11am - 12.15pm 1pm - 2.15pm - 4.15pm

Family activity for children aged 7+

£2 per child £5 per family up to 3 children

Tickets from Museum reception



Wednesday 21 August

Experiment

Have you wondered how things used to work; try writing in hieroglyphics, spinning wool, making a sun compass and other simple experiments.

Drop-in 11am - 3.30pm

Family activity for children aged 7+

£2 per child £5 per family up to 3 children

Tickets from Museum reception

Wednesday 28 August

Poo from the Past

Experience excavation, recording and analyzing the contents of fake poots (coprolites) from the past.

Workshops 11am - 12 noon 2pm - 3pm

Family activity for children aged 7+

£2 per child £5 per family up to 3 children

Tickets from Museum reception

RELAX KIDS.

This week's recap.

We had a planet themed session this week. Our planet was anything we imagined and wished it to be! A bit like in the world we can find evidence of whatever we are looking for.

We warmed up and tried to do things fast, then slow. Then in reverse. And notice how it feels each way. How we feel after. Our hearts were beating fast when we went fast then slowed when we breathed slowly and slowed down.

Play- we played fast and slow games to 🎵 music. Musical planets! Stopping and starting takes practice.

Stretch- we were tiny baby stars then slowly unfurling into sparkling ✨ big shiny stars shining out from every part of us into the universe!

Feel- drawing happy planets, stars and aliens on our friends' backs asking for permission before and thanking after

Breathe- slowly into our tummy through our nose and out gently through our mouths spreading our sparkle.

Group bow- breathing in to raise our hands in a circle and gently breathing out to lower and bow.

Believe- we drew special star affirmations from Sophia's pack and shared them with each other. "I am a loving star" "I am special" "I am a kind star" "I am a creative star"... etc

Relax- listened to Sophia's bright star visualisation relaxing and blowing on special feathers to help us be calm and still.

Thank you lovely infants for a fabulous term!

I hope you enjoy your Summer term and use your calming skills when you need them.

Please keep an eye out on Relax Kids South Oxfordshire Facebook, Instagram, Twitter for our Summer schools and updates.

Affirmation cards can be ordered via me please enquire if you would like some.

Many thanks

Sophia





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>



Term Diary Dates 2018/19:

1 st July	Year 5&6 puberty talk
3 rd & 4 th July	Year 5&6 Bikeability
17 th July	Year 5&6 Summer Fayre 1.30 - 3pm (all welcome)
18 th July	Whole School Trip - New Theatre
19 th July	Sports day
23 rd July	End of Term 1.30pm
24 th July	INSET



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 1 (as marked on menu) Please **tick** in the box next to the preferred meal

MONDAY					
Turkey Meatballs & pasta		Veg Bolognaise		Special GF	
TUESDAY					
Mild Chicken Tikka		Quorn & veg stir fry		Special GF	
WEDNESDAY					
Roast Beef		Roasted Quorn fillet		Special GF	
THURSDAY					
Minced beef pie & new potatoes		Cheese & Tomato Pizza		Special GF	
FRIDAY					
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 Thursday morning.

