



Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School

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Friday 26th May

It has been a hive of activity this week in school, with Pirate activity days, trips out and staff busy with further development and training. This week in collective worship we talked about "being the best we can be" and illustrated this through a story about getting better and improving. The children were very thoughtful in their answers and really understood we all have different talents, and how we can build each other up through kind words and encouragement.

I hope you all have a restful and relaxing half term.

Mrs Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins team

Roofing works

Over the Summer term and into the Summer holidays work will begin on replacing the external roof in Key Stage One and over the front office area. Scaffolding will be erected over the weekend and into half term for works to start the week beginning 12th June. I have held a pre-site meeting with the contractors and we are positive that there will be minimal disruption to learning and normal day to day school life over this final term. The right hand side of the car park adjacent to the fence to Key Stage One will be used as a compound by the contractors and so will be out of use for the remainder of this academic year.

News from Key Stage One

Wednesday was Pirate Day in KS1 this week! The children and staff in KS1 all dressed up and joined in with a wide range of activities during the day, from singing sea shanties, using a compass to direct them to the treasure and writing a diary entry as if they were a real-life pirate. In the afternoon, the children immersed themselves in their sketching of pirates and ships, made pirate hats and equipment and even had some time on the field to do some pirate related role play. The children all said how much fun they had during Pirate Day, and wish that they could do it all over again!

Hotshots County Cup Final Tournament

On Sunday 21st May Hotshots held their County Cup finals tournament in Northampton. Christopher Rawlins came 2nd in their section and they were the smallest in team numbers, all children played all of every match. They played really well as a team and thoroughly enjoyed it. Well done, great effort! Thank you to those parents who attended and supported.



Big Sing

On Monday we took 20 pupils from Year 3 and 4 to the Big Sing in Oxford. This was an event organised by Oxfordshire Music Service. The children rehearsed in the afternoon and performed to parents later on. We were so proud of all the children who had been practicing hard in school all term. They gave their all during the performance even after a tiring day of rehearsals! They were great ambassadors for the school. A special mention to Elena for a beautiful solo and Jessie for her great reading. Many thanks also to Mrs. Wearing for accompanying us. Choir is open to all in Key Stage 2. We meet on Tuesdays at 12.30pm and anyone interested is welcome to come along! Mrs. MacLean

Should you need childcare or your child would love a play session, you can book through our website: <https://www.highflyers.org.uk/>

Staffing update

Mrs Andrews-Smith our Office Manager will be leaving during June. Mrs Andrews-Smith has been recruited to a new post as Office Manager at another education setting. We will be very sad to see Mrs Andrews-Smith leave, she has worked at Christopher Rawlins for 12 years and is a wealth of information and knowledge about the school. I know you will all join me in wishing her every success with her new role.

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Year 5 & 6 Earth Trust

On Monday the 22nd May Year 5/6 went on a school trip to Earth's Trust. We learned about the Anglo-Saxons, how they lived and why they came to England. We did lots of fun things such as: walking up a big hill, cooking pitta bread on an open fire, yarn making and fire lighting. When we went up the hill we saw lots of factories and the river Thames. The view was incredible!

We would like to thank the PTFA for helping pay for the coach to go on such an amazing trip.



High Flyers news

This week's shining star, Isaac D, is our '**High Flyer of the Week**'. He has been demonstrating excellent progress in making thoughtful and sensible choices. His phenomenal social skills have shone through, setting a fine example for his peers.

This week at High Flyers during after-school club, our children have been active, making the most of the sunshine and relishing the great outdoors.

They have been plunging into a world of creative fun with messy play activities, flinging paint, squeezing playdough and a bit of water play too. Thanks to our team, the children have been enjoying lovely picnics with stories and laughter.

PTFA news

Disco and Non Uniform Day:

A HUGE thank you for supporting today's non uniform and disco in school. The children have enjoyed their afternoon of fun!

PTFA PUB QUIZ: Saturday 27th May

For those after some evening entertainment - there will be a Pub Quiz in The Bell this Saturday! Costs £5 per ticket with all proceeds raised going to the PTFA fund raiser. Happy Quizzing..!

Father's Day Gift Shop: Friday 16th June

Thank you to all who have handed their Father's Day gift shop slips in. We look forward to helping your children choose their 'chocs and socks' combos on Friday 16th June.

The Big Summer Clean Up: **RE-SCHEDULED DATE 24TH JUNE**

Due to the work that we would like to carry out on the day of the big summer clean, we are having to push the date back to Saturday 24th June. We'd like to thank the families who have already signed up and hope to welcome you and lots more on the new date.

Children are also invited to come and help with a responsible adult. Please email reception@christopher-rawlins.oxon.sch.uk to register your interest.

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Growth Mindset Certificates

Puffins

Finn for being a kind and caring member of the Aviary.
Pearl for trying really hard in her new Phonics group.

Penguins

Grace for her super cutting skills when creating a dinosaur shape, using her own ideas to extend her creations.
Brooke for being a superstar on the trip to the Oxford Natural History Museum and being interested in everything that she saw.

Flamingos

Damaris for a fantastic effort with her fact file in science all about plants.
Reuben for being determined to apply his phonics to his writing. Keep it up!

Peacocks

Charlie M for always being keen and quick to put his hand up with the answers in all areas of learning but especially Maths.
Jasper for trying so hard to improve his writing this term.

Woodpeckers

James H-H for writing an excellent diary entry.
Adam for writing an excellent diary entry.

Hummingbirds

Sam for showing a clear understanding of mathematical terminology.
Norah for always striving to challenge herself from her clear engagement in maths.

Toucans

Harry for trying really hard with his swimming this week.
Zac for overcoming his fears and swimming in the big pool really confidently.

Parrots

Grace for working really hard to learn her times table facts off by heart.
Oliver for making a concerted effort to improve his handwriting and the presentation of his work.

Heron

Josh for determination with Literacy Gold and good perseverance.
Alfie for determination with Literacy Gold and good perseverance.
Noah for determination with Literacy Gold and good perseverance.

Kingfishers

Finley B for always being ready to learn and trying his best.
Eben for his resilience and perseverance in English this week.

Diary dates

5th June	INSET day, school closed to pupils
9th June	Cricket at Sibford School, Years 5 & 6, 9.30am –2.30pm
24th June	PTFA Big Summer Clean up, 9.00am-12.00, all parents

Term dates

Summer 2	June 6th - 20th July
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INSET days	Monday 5th June Friday 21st July
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