



## NEWSLETTER 12 – 4<sup>th</sup> February 2022

*Quote: "A single dream is more powerful than a thousand realities."*

### Diary Week: 7<sup>th</sup> Feb

Children's Mental Health  
Week

Mon	
Tues	School Nurse in visiting YR + 6 Safer Internet Day 3.30pm Y6 SATS meeting
Wed	-
Thurs	Y3/4 Trip to Think Tank 8.20 arrival at school
Fri	Wear your Scarf to school Swimming 6 Kingfishers and Hummingbirds

### Attendance this week:

### Staff update

We have welcomed  
Mrs A Smith into our  
team as a new  
Lunchtime Supervisor.  
Also, we are delighted  
that Mr Stuart Smith is  
starting next week as  
our Site Supervisor.

In other staff news  
Mrs Avery is expecting  
a baby, which is very  
exciting news!

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very busy week in school seems to have flown by and despite staff now being off as well with Covid a lot has still been achieved. We are of course managing absences as best we can to ensure a quality education is still being provided. We had three teachers off at one point this week and we managed this – just! Thanks must go to all the staff who have stepped in this week in different ways, supporting each other, and I also got to teach too which was a brilliant opportunity for me to get back into the classroom and do the job I love so much. Miss Arthur led a fabulous **Maths meeting** this week as part of our termly curriculum evenings that we have been offering, which was well attended. It shared key beliefs and strategies with our teaching approach of maths as well as what we teach, when and how. There was a lot of information shared and some great questions and conversations were had. Thank you to all who attended and Mis Arthur for leading it - on the curriculum tab of the website you will find some information from the evening if you missed it. I also held the next **Parent Forum** meeting where many areas were brought for discussion and ideas taken forward. It is great to have the feedback on many different areas of the school and for us to be able to action points raised – some in short time and other over a longer period. It would be great to have more parents joining us- ideally we are looking for one per class/year. Minutes of the meeting will be on our website very soon under the Parents tab. One area discussed was the desire for face-to-face **Parents Evening** but with cases still prevalent in school, now does not seem the right time to reintroduce this– a letter has gone home today about how to book online and to have a virtual parents meeting. Year 6 had a great morning at the Warriner through the sports partnership – **orienteering!** It also helped those who will be attending begin to become familiar with their secondary school. Next week there are two important events happening nationally – one is **Children's Mental Health week** and along with Monday's assembly being on this theme classes will take part in daily tasks to really emphasis the important messages within this enormous area and we also ask them to wear their scarf to school on Friday too. Also tied into this it is **Safer Internet Day**. Unfortunately, use of devices out of school is causing us real issues in school at Christopher Rawlins Primary School particularly in the upper years and we really need the support from you at home to educate and support your children when online on various devices and games to keep everyone safe. There are two useful online courses for parents which I share overleaf that you may wish to attend on both these subject areas. There are also very useful guides and links on our website too for both mental health and E-safety.

*Have a lovely weekend, take care*

*Mrs Smith, Headteacher*

### NO NUT PRODUCTS IN SCHOOL

Please could you ensure that no items that contain nuts are sent into school due to the fact we have children with serious nut allergies – this includes peanut butter, nuts as a snack and some breads may contain nuts too.

### Online #Wakeupwednesday-

This is an information page produced by National Online Safety about key reminders for parents relating to online safety.

**This weeks theme: Inspiring  
children for a better digital world**

This week we received two lovely **letters of thanks** from Katherine House Hospice (£793.70) and The Stroke Association (£53.67) for the money raised at Christmas. All other monies raised has been donated to the appropriate charities as the classes selected.

**High Flyers, our on-site wrap around care provider**, have a fantastic holiday club planned for the children **this February Half term**. So, if you need childcare or if they just want to have a great time, it's easy to book online at:

<https://highflyersoxfordlimited.schoolipal.co.uk/home>

Tuesday 22 Feb - Art Day 9-4pm (painting, drawing, crafts and play)

Wednesday 23 Feb - Encanto Disney Day 9-4pm (Colombia, crafts, animals, play)

Thursday 24 Feb - Games Day 9-4pm (to include sport, dancing, games, play).

## Growth Mindset Certificates:

<b>Penguins</b>	Maisie T for being a kind friend and for being super helpful in the classroom. Zoe F for not giving up whilst climbing in the outdoor classroom and for helping a friend to do it too. Flynn B for always being courageous and trying new things. He has explored new activities and areas inside and outside and is always interested to learn new things.
<b>Puffins</b>	Evie T for having a go at lots of new activities this week. Jackson T for really trying hard to listen on the carpet during phonics sessions. Sehr Y for being creative this week and making links in her learning with colours through painting and threading to make a necklace.
<b>Flamingos</b>	Henry R for super listening in Maths and for being inspired in English to continue the story. Isaac D for excellent writing in English this week and for being determined to write more each time. Calen B for showing great determination in his writing by learning to join his letters correctly and neatly.
<b>Peacocks</b>	Albie C for showing determination in his solving of word problems, he was able to clearly use different strategies to work out the answer. Jasper W for getting on with work independently, putting a lot of effort in what he was drawing in his RE and writing in his Rapunzel story.
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	Harry P for being inspired in Maths and in writing – understanding the link between multiplication and division and using his phonics to write at length and helping those around him Bobbie F for being inspired to write so much this week in English and starting each English writing task with a “Yes I can!” approach. Adam L for inspiration in writing and reading, and independence in Maths
<b>Hummingbirds</b>	Oscar T for being courageous and determined during DT. He worked very hard and ended up with excellent examples of a running stitch and overstitch. Lily R for having a positive attitude towards learning and her determination during English to follow the model sentence.
<b>Parrots</b>	Alby MK for the excellent progress he is making with his writing and really stretching himself with his use of exciting vocabulary. Aiden C for being braver in lessons offering more answers. He will try to explain his answers especially in maths but is also prepared to listen to the ideas of others.
<b>Toucans</b>	Simon L for being a role model for a fellow classmate this week and guiding them in making the right choices Laz W for being determined to make the right choices and focusing in class
<b>Hérons</b>	Lilia R for showing perseverance and determination in her Maths assessment. AJ for having a good attitude towards learning across lessons and trying his best
<b>Kingfishers</b>	Lauren W for an inspired and well-designed Tutankhamun fact file completed for homework Mirabella H for her diary writing using figurative language and fantastic descriptive language.
<b>House Points:</b>	<b>Birch: 163 Oak: 156 Maple: 147 Mulberry: 145</b>

[Oxfordshire Youth](#) currently have some spaces left on their [Mental Health Awareness workshop for parents and carers](#).

The session is on the 1st March 2022 and the link is below. The session is delivered in the evening online and is free for all Oxfordshire residents - you just need to enter the first part of your postcode in the part that says 'Enter PROMO code' to ensure they don't get charged. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/mental-health-awareness-for-oxfordshire-parents-and-carers-tickets-147802211393>

[Safer Internet Day Parent and Carer Online Workshop](#) –  
February 8th, 2022, at 7:00pm

<https://www.getsafeonline.org/gaming4good-sid22-webinar/>

Join this Safer Internet Day 2022 webinar to find out everything you need to know. Online gaming has seen a massive increase in popularity with children over the COVID-19 pandemic, because of more time spent at home and restrictions on physical/social contact. Chances are that your child is gaming more these days. Most experts agree that playing online games can have many beneficial effects to our children, developing key cognitive, motor and life skills and encouraging them to keep abreast of the latest technology. However, as with many things children do online, there can also be negatives. This Safer Internet Day (February 8th), please join our free one-hour Gaming4Good webinar where you can hear from a panel of experts in family gaming, psychology, gaming risk and finance, about how to approach your child's gaming to help them get the most out of it ... and avoid the pitfalls.

[!New! Facebook page](#) for Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School. This is run and managed by school staff and will share pictures and information/reminders of school life here: <https://www.facebook.com/CRPS2022>