



Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School

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Friday 6th September

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the start of a new school year. It has been a great start with the children coming back to school with a positive attitude, and modelling our school values in their work and interactions with staff and each other.

On Wednesday our collective worship focussed around what makes us happy and we shared things that had made us happy in the holidays. We thought about how we could work together as a community to live out our school values and make it a happy place for everyone this year.

As you are aware we were inspected by OFSTED in July, we are awaiting publication of the final report which we look forward to sharing with you shortly.

I hope you all have a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing you Monday.

Lauren Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins team

Mrs Kinch

As many families will know, we received sad news over the Summer break that Mrs Kinch, a former member of staff at Christopher Rawlins passed away. Mrs Kinch worked here for eleven years teaching Nursery and was a valued and important member of our school community. From Monday there will be a book of condolence available in Reception for parents and children to write in. Please come and add your thoughts, and memories so they can be shared with Mrs Kinch's family. A service of Thanksgiving for Mrs Kinch will take place at St Mary's Church, Adderbury on Thursday 19th September at 4:00pm.

Permission to walk to school - Y4 to Y6

If your child is in Year 4 to Year 6, you are able to give them permission to walk home from school. Without this permission we will not let your child walk home from school. This year we are asking you to use the link [here](#) to give your permission. This form will close on Wednesday.

MUGA Gate

Many thanks for those parents who made contact about my communication at the end of term regarding the pedestrian gate being closed next to the MUGA. I understand the concerns you have raised regarding the narrow pathway by the layby and how this can "bottle neck" at busy times in the morning. We have works planned later this term to alter the gate to the staff car park, so that this will include a pedestrian gate therefore making this entrance and exit to the school safer. While we wait for this work to take place the MUGA gate will be unlocked at the beginning and end of the day.

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New teacher/class drop in and work sharing

On Wednesday 11th September between 3:15-3:45 you are invited to drop into your child's classroom and see the work they have been completing on our whole school text - Journey by Aaron Becker. This is also a chance to see your child's classroom and their teacher.

****PTFA AGM** Save the date**

The PTFA AGM will take place on Wednesday 25th September at 7:00pm in the school hall. As part of this the PTFA will review the successes of last year, review what we can develop from last year including spending and kick off any immediate fund raising activity ideas.

Importantly we also need to elect our committee for this year. Please come along, have a glass of fizz and share your ideas with us. We are keen to recruit new members - the more ideas we have, the more money we can raise and invest in to activities for the children to benefit from. Matt Smith - Chair.

Medicines

A reminder we have updated our school policy on administering medications. In line with other schools locally and advice from health professionals we will no longer administer non-prescription medication to children, this includes Piriton or Calpol where it has been provided by parents. We ask that if children need these medications they are administered at home, before arriving at school and after school. If after a short term illness your child is prescribed antibiotics we ask parents to administer these outside of school hours. We are aware that some children require prescription medication as part of their everyday lives, we will continue to administer this with written permission from parents.

Diary dates

Wednesday 11th September	Parent drop in 3.15pm
Tuesday 17th September	Flu Vaccinations (R-6)
Thursday 19th September	Pupils and siblings individual photos
Wednesday 25th September	PTFA AGM 7pm - all welcome

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