



Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School

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Friday 20th October

Dear Parents,

This half term has flown by, and it has been a busy one – sports events, visitors into school, Church services and Harvest celebrations. The children have engaged so well with their learning this term, and as I have completed Learning Walks and lesson observations this term it has been really positive to see the aspiration and high standards that children set for themselves. Our oldest children have really enjoyed stepping up to their responsibilities as Sports Council and House Captains, and have shown real responsibility in how they perform these roles.

I hope you all have a restful half term and are able to have a break from the normal routines. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Tuesday 31st October.

Mrs Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins Staff Team

Curriculum & Learning update Yr 5 & 6

Year 5/6 have been busy this term learning about Ancient Egypt. We have studied the Gods and created fact files about these. We have looked at the construction of the pyramids and the importance of these to Egyptian life. We designed our own death masks and created clay scarab beetles. We are looking forward to painting these after half term.

In science we have been busy testing materials and conducting experiments investigating dissolving, changes and permeability. We have enjoyed learning handball in PE and Herons have made fantastic progress with their swimming. Kingfishers have been doing Outdoor and Adventurous activities. The children have created some incredible mystery story writing in English using the images of Harris Burdick as inspiration. In RE we have been looking at forgiveness and the concept of what Heaven is like, creating our own detailed images.

Mrs Ostler and Mrs White

School Council Update

Our first school council meeting took place this week.

We discussed how we could work together as a school council alongside the community to improve our school environment. We decided we would like a sensory garden and a place where you can relax and have some peace. Our school council team came together on Wednesday with Mrs. MacLean to assess a potential site. We have lots of lovely ideas such as including plants that look and smell nice, a bug area, a place to read and wind chimes. In the upcoming few weeks, we will be writing to parents and local businesses to ask for help with our project. Watch this space!



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PTFA News

The PTFA are busy getting organised for the Christmas Festival on Friday 1st December (5-7pm) and would love help with the below if possible.

Raffle prizes needed

We are looking for prizes for the raffle so if you know any local businesses who would be able to donate a prize please contact
ptfa@christopher-rawlins.co.uk

Local business stalls

The PTFA are offering stalls at the Festival to local businesses for either £10 or a gift for our raffle. Please spread the word and contact ptfa@christopher-rawlins.co.uk with any interest.

High Flyers News

Halloween Holiday Club at Christopher Rawlins School Monday and Tuesday next week.
Your child can enjoy dressing up, messy play, games, spooky arts and crafts and lots more.

And For families living in Adderbury who might need a sprinkle of magic (or a little financial help, support or time) right now, we have a couple of funded spots available for the Tuesday. Because every little witch and wizard deserves a chance to fly! (or you might know someone) please email us.

Email: Highflyersclub@hotmail.co.uk

Time: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Where: Christopher Rawlins School

When: 23rd & 24th October

Diary dates

Mon-Fri 23-27 October

Half Term

Monday 30th October

Inset Day

Thursday 2nd November

Tag Rugby afternoon (selected Y5&Y6)

Friday 3rd November

Flu Vaccinations (R-Y6)

Saturday 4th November

Open morning for prospective Nursery & Reception parents

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Learning Certificates

Owls

Elizabeth W for always coming into Nursery smiling and skipping and showing great concentration and perseverance in play and activities.

Penguins

Skyler L for being a kind and caring friend to others.

Reggie T for his improved focus and enthusiasm when having a go at tasks.

Flamingos

Jack for an excellent piece of writing this week using adjectives to make his writing more interesting.

Ivy for becoming more confident with her writing and having a go. Keep it up!

Peacocks

Camilla for fantastic effort in Phonics this week, well done you!

Harvey for great effort with his Maths this week, well done.

Woodpeckers

Lilly for making the right choices showing compassion by helping their friends.

Olivia for working hard and being a helpful, smiley member of the class.

Hummingbirds

Samuel for being determined in Maths work this week, you have really impressed me with how quickly you have grasped column addition.

Harry for amazing Maths this week, you can use the column method to add, and you can exchange across tens and hundreds too!

Toucans

Isaac for showing great determination in our work on column addition this week

Harry for being determined to improve his handwriting – keep going!

Parrots

Molly B for an outstanding piece of writing in her English work this week using so many of the writing techniques we have learnt this term.

Ethan E for make a determined effort to improve his handwriting this week with super results.

Hérons

Ava for her super mystery story writing. Full of intrigue and fabulous vocabulary

Mollie for some super maths problem solving this week. Trying hard with multi step probability.

Kingfishers

Finlay for your great description writing in English

Edith for your hard work and determination in maths

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