



## **End Of Term Newsletter 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

*QUOTE "Spring adds new life and new joy to all that is."*

### Diary

**Term 5 starts Monday  
25<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

Mon  
Tues **PTFA meeting  
7.30 pm**  
Wed  
Thurs  
Fri **Aviary visiting  
the library pm**

### Attendance this week:

**92.8%**

### NEW! Wraparound care for Nursery.

From September we will be offering wraparound care in Nursery. This is in conjunction with the fabulous High Flyers Team. For any further details please contact the school office or Alison Ighani.

Dear Parents and Carers,

There was a truly Egyptian feel in the air on Tuesday as Year 5 and 6 enjoyed an Egyptian Day. A variety of tasks were undertaken in the day including maths, cooking, and orienteering and then in the afternoon there was lovely sharing of their projects. There were some outstanding outfits that really enhanced the day and thank you for everyone's efforts. We also had castle making day in Year 1 and 2 which was a joy to see and watch their creative minds flow! At the weekend two teams from KS2 entered the Hotshots Basketball festival in Northampton. This was a new experience for our school, and I received lots of positive comments from parents about how super the children were and the coach also spoke to me on Monday to say how proud he was. Well Done to all who took part – please see the out of school achievements for further details.

We visited church today for an end of term Easter service which children participated in along with Reverend Liz continuing to share the Easter story. The Year 5 and 6 's walked down with Early years, and this was delightful to see and hear- there were some great conversations!

Today you will have received a booklet which outlines some changes to our homework starting in Term 5. We shall be trialling this in the summer term and then reviewing it.

The PTFA film night had a number of attendees which was great and this week's Easter Egg Tombola was a great success. The second-hand uniform has also had an airing and it was good to see the uptake for this as well. There is a PTFA meeting on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, when we return, and I look forward to seeing parents at this who can continue to plan and deliver a variety of events to raise some much-needed funds to support the school and children.

Although the school has been around for many more years, the site at which Christopher Rawlins Primary School is now is officially 60 years old this year and we would like to celebrate this milestone. The PTFA and school are setting children a 60-sponsor challenge. It is attached today, and I look forward to hearing about all your fantastic 60 sponsored events! Today we say goodbye to Miss Stevens, a lunchtime supervisor, and wish her every success in her next step. I am pleased to advise that Ms Kirtland will be joining us from Term 5 to be a Lunchtime Supervisor which is great news – she has been in a little this week already getting to know the ropes! We also welcome Mrs Robertson who has joined us as an Associate Teacher from the Oxford SCITT working in Woodpeckers in the Summer Term.

We are closed tomorrow as all schools are given an extra day of closure this year due to the Queens Jubilee falling in Half term. This date can be taken any time in the school year so we have added it on to extend the Easter holidays by a day.

*Have a lovely Easter Break, 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.

### Vaccinations for children aged 5 to 11

Children aged 5 to 11 are now eligible for two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine following updated Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation guidance. The majority of vaccinations for 5 to 11-year-olds will take place at local vaccination centres or community pharmacies outside of school hours. Parents can book a jab for their child through the NHS National Booking Service for COVID-19 vaccinations or call 119 free of charge.

### #Wakeupwednesday

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

**This weeks theme:**  
**Media Use and**  
**Attitude Report**

**Attendance** - Our current attendance rate for the year is 92% which as you are aware is below the target set for schools of 96%. As we know we cannot control illnesses and unfortunately, we have had more than our fair share recently. However, what you can do to support your child in school is to not book holidays within term time, routine dental appointments or visits to the opticians within the school day, and equally important ensure your child arrives at school on time. An attendance check for each child will again be carried out at the start of next term. Children with attendance below 90% will receive a letter to flag this.

**50 things to do before you're five**

50 fantastic things for you and your child to experience together.

The '50 things to do before you're five' app offers 50 no-cost or low-cost local activities for under-fives. It is free to download and offers information, guidance and supporting resources.

Each of the 50 things have been carefully developed by education experts and early years practitioners to promote early language development, to help your child grow in confidence and nurture their love for learning.

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#5 Posty  
#4 Make your mark  
#50 Sea and sand  
#8 Bubbles!  
#10 Sharing books  
#34 Woodland wandering



**What is '50 things to do before you're five'?** It's a free app, which lists 50 no-cost or low-cost local activities for under-fives. The app also highlights key dates – including when to submit school applications, when to register with a dentist. There are also family-friendly events listed (running across the county, and throughout the year).  
**Is it easy to download?** Yes. Just click on one of the links below and install.

- Apple store <https://apple.co/2BLNwJh>
- Google play store <https://bit.ly/3qCVsLw>

**Where can I learn more about it:**  
<https://oxfordshire.50thingstodo.org/>

**Why is it important?** This initiative is part of Oxfordshire County Council's school readiness agenda, aimed at supporting families and nurseries, to enable children to have all the 'ingredients' they need from birth to develop their early language skills.

**How does it work?** With information, guidance and supporting resources, each activity has been designed to help promote early language development. It's a one-stop-shop of resources. Each activity has details of how to do the activity, what you'll need to do it, where you can do it, key words to use, as well as top tips to get the most out of it. You can also get access to other activities, additional info – as well as how the activity can be adapted for children with special educational needs. There is also a section where parents/ carers can create a memory bank of these activities – to reflect on at a later date.

**Examples of activities:** Sow seeds and watch them grow (#19 Growing, Little People, Plants and Things), get creative (#Make Your Mark), or discover a world of mini beasts (#9 Mini Beast and Bug Hunting). There are plenty of fun activities to choose from.

### Out of School Shout Outs and Well done to:

**Hotshots Team am** - Stiam B, Oscar OH, Laz W, Toby C, Talia WE, Alfie C, Reuben B and Isaac Q – congratulations on fantastic play and wining the morning competition.

**Hotshots Team pm** - Harry D, Jack J, Fraser M Maisie Bleu W, Lauren C, Finlay J, Jude J congratulations on fantastic play against tough opposition.

**Hugo H** for his medal after completing his full year with Banbury Rugby.

**Anne K** for her merit certificate and trophies for both Ballet and Tap

**Tallis A** for being awarded athlete of the season in U11's from Banbury Harriers

**Norah C** for achieving her stage 4 swimming badge and certificate

**Isaac Q** for achieving his 20 metres swimming certificate.

**Oral Health** - it is vital that children are attending regular dental check-ups. To find your local dentist, visit <https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-dentist> Children receive free dental treatment on the NHS until they turn 18. In Oxfordshire, over 28% of 5 year olds have tooth decay. This is significantly higher than the national average. It's important that your child's toothpaste has **at least** 1000ppm fluoride – 1350ppm is ideal. Poor oral health has a massive impact on your child's education and wellbeing.

**!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>

**!New! Calendar on the school website** – Please see parent google calendar now available on the website for you to see events that are coming up. <https://www.christopher-rawlins.oxon.sch.uk/calendar>