



# Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School

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## Newsletter Summer Term

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### Friday 21st April

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a delight to welcome the children back this week, they have come back into school with a positive and determined attitude. I was fortunate to be able to show Lisa Austin, Principle Schools Advisor for ODST, around the school on Tuesday. Lisa commented on the positive way the pupils talked about their learning as we visited classrooms - well done everyone.

This week in collective worship we have been discussing leaders, leadership and followers. This week we focused on who inspired us and the children shared some thoughtful responses about who they would have been inspired by.

Mrs Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins team

### New PE tops

We are delighted to now have some new PE tops for the children to wear when they are representing the school at sporting fixtures. They have all been numbered and will be allocated to children as and when needed. Please can you make sure that the tops are clean and returned to the school office where they will be signed back in again. Your help with this is appreciated.

### KS1 Visit by the 'Bee Lady'

We were very lucky in KS1 to have Helen Raine, the 'Bee Lady' to come and visit us on Thursday afternoon to share with us all things bees! The children were really excited because they got to see up close the Queen Bee and all of her workers. They also got to touch and smell the comb, wear the bee-keeper's costume and even take a pot of honey home with them. For more information, please visit [www.helenslocalhoney.co.uk](http://www.helenslocalhoney.co.uk)



### King Charles III Coronation

As a staff team we have been planning this week how we will mark the occasion of the King's Coronation as a school. Each class will be learning about the Coronation in the week beginning 2nd May. On Friday 5th May we will be having an afternoon tea for the children and each class will be sharing their work from the week. Mrs Williams is also busy co-ordinating and organising a whole school Coronation wall hanging—there was much excitement from the teachers this week when they found out their classes would all be polishing up their sewing and applique skills!

### Sports Day

As previously published in our Useful Dates Card <https://www.christopher-rawlins.oxon.sch.uk/really-useful-dates> Sports Days will be Thursday 22nd June for Years 1 to 6 and Friday 23rd June for Reception and Nursery. Sports Day will run from 9:00 - 12:00 on Thursday 22nd June, this is a slight change to the previously published times.

### PTFA news

The PTFA hopes you had an enjoyable Easter break and managed to get through all the chocolate..!

We are working on some more fun for the children this half term and supporting curricular activities wherever possible.

We also intend to complete a 'Spring Clean' of the school grounds soon - so looking for willing and helping hands..! More details to follow soon. Thank you as always for your support.

### High Flyers

It was an absolute delight to welcome back the children after the Easter holidays, and the cherry on top is that we have been blessed with sunshine upon our return. The children have been having a blast playing outside, and we have even started with our King's coronation activities!

**High Flyer of the week: Beau: For always being ready to help others. Your kindness and thoughtfulness makes everyone around you feel good.**

We are running our fantastic holiday club in July (more dates may be added). You can book through our website: <https://www.highflyers.org.uk>

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### Donation

Olivia S's Baa and Bapaji have very kindly donated some plant pots, seeds, trowels and compost in memory of her aunt. There is enough for each class to be able to enjoy growing the seeds. We would like to thank Olivia's family for this very kind gesture.

### Year 1 Poetry Competition

Young Writers are holding an animal-inspired poetry competition for children in Year 1. All entries received will be published in a book alongside entries from other school children. If you would like your child to take part, please collect an entry form from the school office.

### Growth Mindset Certificates

#### Puffins

Joshua for being a superstar and a kind friend all week.  
Camilla for being more confident in herself and trying new activities.

#### Penguins

Reggie T for his enthusiasm and interest in our butterflies and the life cycle of a butterfly.  
Ksusha for her increased confidence in class and her willingness to use lots of new words.

#### Flamingos

Jade for fantastic counting work and always having a smile on her face.  
Joshua for being a superb role model this week and for helping others in the class.

#### Peacocks

Maisie for working hard in Maths this week, learning about mass and producing lovely neat work.  
Ashton for showing great understanding about mass in Maths, answering questions and giving clear explanations of his working out.

#### Woodpeckers

Matilda for amazing Maths work this week, growing in confidence and working really hard.  
Riley D for persevering in Maths and working really hard with difficult challenges.

#### Hummingbirds

Jacob M for being determined and trying his best in having a positive learning attitude.  
Trixie for being ambitious in her learning, always putting in a lot of effort and having a go.

#### Toucans

Guinny for trying really hard with her Maths work on measures.  
Olivia for her really good contributions in English this week, writing about the forest and The Black Hat.

#### Parrots

Jessie F for her amazing work in Art when mixing colours; with determination and focus she created so many different shades of green.  
Alex M for making mature choices and his super work in Maths, drawing on last term's learning to suggest answers could be improper fractions as well as a mixed number

#### Hérons

Kian for his great effort in Maths and determination in tackling algebra.  
Seren for her brilliant focus and attention to detail in Art.

#### Kingfishers

Ben for a fantastic start to the term.  
Billy for his perseverance and determination in Maths.

### Diary dates

24th April	Class photographs, all year groups
1st April	Bank holiday
8th April	Coronation bank holiday

### Term dates

Summer 1	April 17th - 26th May
Summer 2	June 6th - 20th July

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