



Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School

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Friday 20th September

Dear Parents,

It has been great to see everyone make such a positive start to the term. The children have settled well to the new routines of the day, and have shown real enthusiasm for their learning. A reminder that all curriculum overviews that show the areas of learning covered in your child's class are available [here](#)

This week in collective worship we have focused on how we can all live together as a school community to make sure we are happy together. We shared how being kind, showing forgiveness and helping each other to work together were good attributes to have as a school. In class, children shared examples of how they make this happen in school each day.

As a school we have introduced a programme called **Corefulness** these are short 4 minutes movement sequences that we use at the beginning of the day and after lunch. Research has shown that developing these skills can have a positive impact of readiness of learning, achievement, behaviour and social development. Look out for more updates as we progress with the programme.

Lauren Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins team

EYFS Curriculum Update

It has been wonderful to see how well our new Nursery and Reception children have settled into their first few weeks in the Aviary. The children have enjoyed exploring the unit and building new relationships with peers and key adults. We have been impressed with their courage and care for each other and the classroom environment. This week we started this terms theme- Ourselves. Our big question is 'Are we all the same?' The children spent time thinking about and looking at our faces, finding similarities and differences in eye, hair and skin colour. The children created their own portraits, and we made faces using different objects. We also learnt some fun songs and rhymes about different body parts.



Parking

Can I please remind all parents to consider our neighbours when parking at drop off and pick up each morning. The residential roads around the school can get very congested, and we have had occasions where driveways have been blocked, and cars have been parked dangerously and without consideration for other road users. Parents can park around The Green in Adderbury without causing congestion or blocking driveways, and then make the short walk to school.

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Packed Lunches

A few reminders about lunch boxes. We are a nut free school so no nuts at all please including nut based chocolate spreads. Could we also ensure any grapes (for all year groups) are cut in half lengthways. We try and promote healthy lunches where possible. No sweets but small chocolate biscuits are allowed.



Date Card Amendment

Please note there was a error on the dates card sent out at the beginning of the year. The residential planned for October is for Year 6 only.

Timings of the day/gates

A quick reminder of the new timings of the school day. Doors/gates open at 8:30, registration is at 8:45 and the school gates will close at 8:50. School ends at 3:15 and the gates will open at 3:05.



Year 6s - Adderbury Theatre Workshop

Calling all Year 6s. Adderbury Theatre Workshop are looking to recruit and would like to encourage our Year 6s to join them. Rehearsals take place every Thursday at 7-9pm at Lucy Plackett. If you have a budding actor in your family please email Gill Osborne via the school office for further details.

Labelling Uniform

Please remember to label all uniform. We already have many unnamed jumpers in lost property. If named, clothes will be returned to your child.

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High Flyers Breakfast and After School Club

What a great start to the new term! It has been fantastic welcoming all the children back to the club- lots of familiar faces, as well as many new members to our High Flyers Family! We also welcome new staff to our setting who the children have been enjoying getting to know. We have been taking advantage of the surprisingly good weather by doing lots of outdoor activities! With the lead up to Halloween and Christmas commencing, we have lots of exciting activities planned. Look out for our holiday clubs for more information. We look forward to seeing you all! Best wishes, The High Flyers Team.

You can book through our website <https://www.highflyers.org.uk> or on our booking platform <https://highflyersoxfordlimited.bookings.com>

Diary dates

Wednesday 25th September	PTFA AGM 7:00PM - all welcome
Wednesday 2nd October	Reception parents phonics meeting 2:30PM
Thursday 3rd October	Reception parents phonics meeting 7:00PM
Saturday 5th October	Open morning for prospective Nursery and Reception parents 9:30AM-11:00AM
Monday 7th October	Harvest Service at St Mary's Church Y3/4 11:00AM
7th - 11th October	Y6 Residential

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"Love one another. As I have loved you" John 13:34-35

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Learning Certificates

Owls

Filip for settling in at Nursery so well and joining in brilliantly with singing and group times.

Penguins

Ottilia for settling in so well into school and showing great courage when trying new things.

Penelope for her enthusiasm and curiosity in our learning this week; she has been eager to try new activities and suggest ideas.

Flamingos

Freya for finding her inner confidence in the classroom and using this to support her peers. Keep it up!

Michael C for an amazing start to Year 2, being a true role model to his class and always going above and beyond. Well done!

Woodpeckers

Florence for showing courage throughout her school day by putting a smile on her face and trying her best.

Harper for having a positive start to the term and trying her best in her learning.

Hummingbirds

Ellie-May for drawing an excellent picture of a fox and for sharing your wonderful ideas in English.

Sam for amazing determination and perseverance in PE.

Parrots

Zoe for showing enthusiasm for her learning and always trying her best.

Maddison for being a kind and responsible member of the class, who always wants to help others and help tidy the classroom.

Egrets

Roopinder for super contributions in RE, helping the class learn about Sikhism. Also for demonstrating good understanding in Science.

Brooke W for demonstrating our school value of courage this week. She persevered with her work this week even though she wasn't feeling 100%.

Hérons

Eve for consistently producing a high standard of work throughout all her lessons.

Teddy for producing an excellent newspaper article.

Kingfishers

Alicia for her fantastic work in Maths this week and contribution during English

Alex for very thoughtful work in RE and taking great care with his work

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