



Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School

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Friday 16th May

Dear Parents,

This week, our children have impressed us with their fantastic attitude towards their SATs. They approached each challenge with determination, resilience, and a level of maturity that makes us very proud. Their hard work and positive mindset have been a credit to them all. As we look ahead to the final term, they have lots to be excited about — end-of-year production, and well-deserved celebrations that mark the end of their primary school years. Well done to all.

We are all excited about Arts Week next week, please remember to send your child in with an old t-shirt/shirt to put over their uniform as all classes will be using Modroc to make 3d models for our theme of fabulous feasts.

Have a great weekend when it arrives.

Lauren Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins team

Year 5 and 6 Curriculum Update

Year 5/6 have been making the most of the warmer weather and we have started our orienteering unit outside in PE. We enjoyed celebrating VE day last week and creating our own Lowry-inspired pictures and timelines. The children are continuing to enjoy our climate change topic and we have been analysing a range of satellite photographs, maps and data to draw conclusions. We are nearing the end of our animal including humans topic, looking at how we can keep healthy- after half term we will be studying evolution and inheritance.



Uniform Sale

We will be holding a pre loved uniform sale next week on Tuesday 20th of May both before and after school. We have sweatshirts, fleeces and cardigans with the school logo on that are in good condition. Everything will be £5 and we can accept either cash or add the payment to School Money. All money raised from the sale will be invested back into school resources.

Y1 Multi-skills

On Thursday of last week we took the Year 1s to a Multi-skills event at The Warriner. The children behaved brilliantly and we were so proud of the effort and determination they displayed. The activities focused on developing key physical skills and included a range of fun games involving throwing, jumping, and catching. The children took part enthusiastically, supported one another, and demonstrated great teamwork and effort.

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New Tools to Manage Roblox

At the beginning of April Roblox announced some new tools which will allow parents a greater degree of control over their child's Roblox experience. These tools include: Limiting who their child can connect with, seeing which experiences (games) their child plays the most and limiting the experiences their child can access. There's a lot more, all summarised in an article from Roblox [HERE](#).

School Dates Card

You can find a link to our school dates card [here](#). Please note we have added in a Parent Look Book for Friday 11th of July at 3:15PM.

VE Day Celebrations

Last Thursday some of our Y5 children visited Seccombe Court Care Home for VE Day. The children took part in activities and enjoyed afternoon tea with the residents. The residents really enjoyed talking to the children and answering questions about their wartime experiences. Eve and Molly who visited wrote the below about their visit. *When we went to Seccombe Court we had an enjoyable time learning about VE day and talking to the residents. When we got there, we were greeted by the lovely staff and helped set the table for the celebrations. Next a man called Tom helped us to build our own air raid shelters. We even got to bring them home! Next we met the residents, including one that was 100 years old. We talked about what it was like to be a child in World War 2. We wrapped the day up with a cupcake and some yummy snacks. We had an amazing day.*

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.

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 and cherry tomatoes (for all year groups) are cut in half lengthways. We try and promote healthy lunches where possible.

Mental health and wellbeing needs of young people research

Oxfordshire Mind working with Cherwell District Council and North Oxfordshire School Sport Partnership are carrying out important research into the mental health and wellbeing needs of young people in the Cherwell District. They're looking to hear from parents and carers to understand what support is currently in place and what may be missing.

Your views will be gathered through this short survey. There will also be optional focus groups if you wish to be involved to help ensure that the right support is available for our children and young people.

Parents and Carers Questionnaire [here](#).

Please complete the survey above, and help shape the future for our children.

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High Flyers

What a wonderful week we've had! The sunshine has given us the perfect opportunity to enjoy plenty of outdoor activities. The children have had a fantastic time with ball games, den building, team games, water play, outdoor arts and crafts, and lots of lovely picnic-style teatimes. Our High Flyer Certificate this week goes to Ollie for being so helpful and showing fantastic listening skills- well done Ollie.

Holiday Club bookings are now open- spaces are filling up fast! We've got an amazing programme of activities planned, so don't miss out.

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

Vouchers - for those working over 16 hours, you can take advantage of the 'Government's Choices Scheme', to save 20% on childcare. Also, when booking through our system you can pay by bank payment, so there is no booking fee.

We also offer 10% off for siblings attending the club.

Diary dates

May 22nd	PTFA School Disco
May 23rd	Non Uniform Day
May 23rd	Parent drop in for Arts Week (0830-0900AM)
June 11th	Y5 Paccar Outdoor Learning Day
June 12th	Reception Oxford Museum Trip
June 13th	PTFA Father's Day Gift Shop
June 18th	EYFS Sports Day 1:30PM
June 19th	Y1-6 Sports Day 9AM-12PM
June 20th	KS1 Outdoor Learning Day
July 1st	Y3 & Y4 Showcase Production 1:30PM and 6:00PM
July 3rd	Transition Day (to new classes)
July 5th	PTFA Summer Fete
July 9th	Y5 & Y6 Performance 1:30PM and 6:00PM
July 10th	Y5 & Y6 Performance 6:00PM
July 11th	Parent Look Book 3:15PM
July 14th	Y6 Leavers Service St Mary's Church 1:30PM
July 17th	Y6 Leavers Assembly 9:15AM (at school)

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Learning Certificates

Owls

William for sharing his ideas more openly and joining in brilliantly with singing and movement.

Penguins

Orson for a super effort with his writing about a dinosaur; independently using a sound mat to find the sounds to write.

Evelyn for being so focused when writing about her dinosaur and using fingers spaces- well done!

Flamingos

Frankie for his amazing effort when writing his own version of The Enormous Crocodile!

Pearl for always trying her best in every subject and for looking at ways to improve her work.

Woodpeckers

Finn for showing the school value of responsibility to improve his handwriting, carefully forming letters at the right size and height.

Austin for contributing his thoughtful ideas during guided reading lessons and making super progress in his fluency of reading.

Hummingbirds

Freddy for displaying such enthusiasm for his writing and working hard to improve his handwriting.

Lexie for showing initiative with your learning and always striving to reach your potential, well done.

Parrots

Charlie for showing an enthusiasm for reading, it is lovely to see how much he enjoys reading and the positive impact this has on his writing.

Jade for working hard on her handwriting, particularly her letter formation and showing readiness to learn, always being ready to complete her tasks in the morning without reminders.

Egrets

Millie S for being so supportive and encouraging of others during PE lessons.

Brooke W for making good choices to help her with her learning and for a super piece of work for VE day.

Herons & Kingfishers

For all of our Y6s for their amazing attitude towards SATs this week.

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