



Christopher Rawlins CE Primary School

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Friday 6th October

Dear Parents,

This week has seen a busy week with sporting events in school. Year 3&4 played football at Sibford and Year 3&4 joined an afternoon of sport at Carrdus School. A huge thank you to the PTA for their hard work this morning raising money for Macmillan with their coffee and pastry stand in the playground, £110 was raised for this very worthwhile cause.

This week we have welcome some new staff into our team. Mrs Watmore is our new School Business Manager, she will be working alongside Mrs Henderson in the front office and will be responsible for finance, premises and health safety – alongside many other things! Mr Coaker joined our Teaching Assistant team, he is working in Key Stage One and is a strong addition to our team at Christopher Rawlins.

Like many other schools we have had a lot of staff and student absence over the last few weeks. The staff team have done a fantastic job covering classes, supporting each other and taking on extra duties and responsibilities where needed – we are really fortunate to have such dedicated staff at Christopher Rawlins.

We hope you have a restful weekend and enjoy the unseasonably warm weather!

Mrs Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins team

Parent Consultations

These are due to take place Tuesday 17th October and Wednesday 18th October. A letter has been sent home with the newsletter today with a link to book appointments. These appointments are face to face in school.

Curriculum & Learning update KS1

We've had another busy week in KS1! We are enjoying exploring our new book in English this week 'My name is not refugee' and we have had some great discussions about what it is like to be a refugee. We are approaching the end of our place value topics in Maths and are continuing to build our understanding of the events of the Great Fire of London. We have enjoyed combining our Science and Art learning to collect autumn leaves from our school grounds to create some lovely artwork.

In Science next week we will be making rain gauges so if you have empty 2 litre bottles that would be much appreciated (and any toilet roll or kitchen roll tubes for the week after).

Herons Collective Worship

This week Herons led class worship and we discussed the value of courage. We retold the story of David and Goliath and how strength, courage and bravery from David achieved victory over Goliath and freedom from slavery for his people. We then ended with the hymn Be Bold Be Strong.

Herons all did a fantastic job presenting this to the school and spoke really clearly. They enjoyed leading the actions in our song too.

Year 3&4 Football Event

This was a busy week for Year 3 and 4 as we had two sports events.

On Tuesday, nineteen year 4 boys took part in a football festival at Sibford School. The boys really enjoyed playing lots of matches, playing in different positions, and meeting some friends from the other primary schools. They demonstrated some good skills and worked well as a team.

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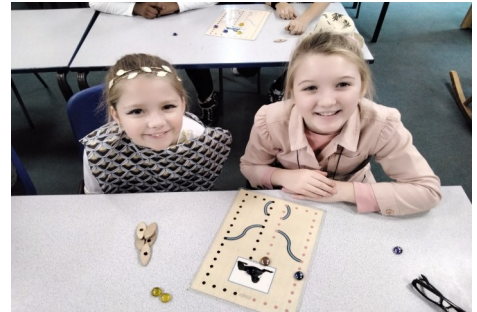
Cardus Sporting Event

On Wednesday, we took 19 children to Cardus school to play both netball and football. The teams were mixed across both schools for the football games which was nice. The Cardus children took on the role of coaches for the netball stations where children practiced a range of netball skills. The afternoon finished with cookies and a drink under the tree which was a lovely way to end a very positive afternoon. The teacher from Cardus commented on how keen our children were and how much she enjoyed working with them.



Year 5 and 6 Egyptian Day

On Thursday, Year 5 and 6 took part in an Egyptian day where they got to be Egyptologists for the day. It was a really fantastic day, the children go to take part in a quiz, decoding hieroglyphs, playing an Egyptian board game and re-enacting a Egyptian mummification and burial ceremony. Everyone looked fantastic in their costumes, particularly the effort put into making a wearable pyramid!



High Flyers News

In this week's update from High Flyers, the children have truly embraced the nicer weather, with lots of outdoor play. We have been sharing stories of acts of kindness and we are encouraging children to think kindly of others.

This week, we have two High Flyers of the week. Adam has been a beacon of kindness and extending help to others. Beau who has been an absolute star, going above and beyond in lending a helpful hand to both friends and staff.

October Half Term Holiday Club: Do you children love Halloween and want to dress up? Need childcare in October half term? We have our half term club 9am until 4pm, Monday 23 & Tuesday 24 at Christopher Rawlins School.

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

Diary dates

9th October	Year 5/6 Bikeability training
10th October	Year 3/4 girls football Sibford
14th October	Open morning for prospective Nursery and Reception parents
17th October	Parent Consultations 3.30-5pm
18th October	Parent Consultations 4-7pm

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Learning Certificates

Owls

Teddy for being brave coming into Nursery this week. He has made new friends and shown increased independence which has been lovely to see.

Penguins

Ella for having a go at using sounds she has learnt to write simple words.

Thomas for his super ideas when playing and making up games with his friends.

Flamingos

Reuben for always having a growth mindset and a can do attitude towards his learning. Well done you!

Mollie for always trying her best, especially with her phonics and writing. Well done you!

Peacocks

Noah for being ambitious with his Maths learning

Harley for growing in confidence and trying harder in English and Maths

Woodpeckers

Mae for always trying her best with super enthusiasm.

Sophie for having the confidence to speak out and share her ideas.

Hummingbirds

Albie for a continually positive attitude to his learning and showing responsibility within class.

Maya for showing courage in her learning behaviours. We've seen her grow in confidence already this year.

Toucans

Bella CB for being inspired by our new story this week and showing great enthusiasm

Kenzie for demonstrating a positive attitude in Maths and explaining his workings out

Parrots

Rafe H for working really hard in handwriting and spelling this week, Mrs Loveridge was very impressed with his determination and concentration.

Riley W for trying new things when visiting Cardus School this week to practice his netball skills.

Hérons

Reuben C and Haydn for superb creativity with their Egyptian day costumes.

Kingfishers

Toby for your fantastic homemade Egyptian outfit

Huw for your hard work and resilience in maths

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