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Friday 13th October

Dear Parents,

On Monday in collective worship we launched our new school values. Earlier this term we consulted with parents, wider community members, staff and children about our core values and how these could be updated to reflect our changing school. The feedback from everyone was so insightful and valuable to this process. This has enabled us to choose our three core values, these are Courage, Responsibility and Compassion. On Monday we shared these values and talked about how we live out these values everyday in our life both at school and home. We will continue to discuss them further with the children and plan how we embed them in day to day school life.

The children gave some really thoughtful reflections after the collective worship which I have shared below:

- "Courage means not backing down when work seems hard, and always trying our best."
- "I like that we have kept compassion as a value being compassionate and understanding is really important"
- "We like these values because they say what we should be, and could be. No school is perfect, this will make us even better."

I am looking forward to working with the children, staff and parents over the next term as we reflect more on how we live these values out day to day.

Have a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all next week.

Mrs Murrey and the Christopher Rawlins Staff Team

Parent Consultations

Parent consultations are due to take place this Tuesday and Wednesday. If you haven't already booked an appointment please do so. It's a great opportunity to catch up with your child's teacher.

Car park

The car parks at the front and back of the school are for staff to park in. A few parents have permission to use the car park due to exceptional circumstances, unless you have received a parking permit and permission from the school office please avoid using the car park. This ensures that all of our children remain safe at the beginning and end of the school day. Thank you for your help with this.

Curriculum & Learning update Yr 3 & 4

We have had another busy, exciting week in Lower Key Stage 2. In English we have continued our work on portal stories, this week we have been describing a portal and the journey through it. During our Maths lessons, we have been adding and subtracting single-digit numbers to and from three-digit numbers, bridging through multiples of tens. We had lots of fun when we made our Stone Age homes last week, and on Tuesday we completed our evaluations. In Computing, we learned about different devices and what different kinds of input and output they have. We are continuing with Stig of the Dump in our Whole Class Reading, exploring the characters of Barney and Stig in depth, and interpreting the author's choice of language used in the story.

Bikeability

Year 5 and 6 have taken part in Bikeability this week. They practised their skills on the playground and have been cycling around the local area learning the skills of how to turn onto roads, indicate which direction they are travelling in and how to ride safely on the road. They all passed with flying colours. Well done.



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Year 3&4 Girls Football Event

Year 3 and 4 girls attended a football event at Sibford School this week. They played 5 small games against other schools. Both teams were amazing and showed great teamwork, sportsmanship and courage. They all played really well and had lots of fun. The staff at Sibford commented on how well the children behaved and what a credit they were to our school.



Netball Festival Event

On Thursday 17 children from Year 5 and 6 attended the Netball Festival at The Warriner.

For some of our children it was their first experience of competitive netball and they picked it up really well. The value for the tournament was TEAMWORK and I think we showed that well by encouraging each other and rotating positions fairly. Our thanks go to the parents who helped to support us with this event.



High Flyers News

Congratulations to Joshua for soaring above and beyond as our 'High Flyer of the Week'! Our HF artists have been hard at work, crafting leaves and spooktacular Halloween crowns. It's been a week filled with joy, creativity, a 'cinema evening' and lots of fun outdoor play.

October Half Term Holiday Club: Do your 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

Saturday 14th October Open morning for prospective Nursery and Reception parents

Tuesday 17th October Parent Consultations 3.30-5pm Wednesday 18th October Parent Consultations 4-7pm Friday 20th October Wear what you love day

Mon-Fri 23-27 October Half Term Monday 30th October Inset Day

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Learning Certificates

Owls

Violet H for being brave and independent in nursery this week.

Penguins

Leo H for recalling sounds and using super robot arms in phonics this week. Brooke B for great shared attention and communication with different adults this week.

Flamingos

Michael C for producing a great piece of homework this week, linked to our Great Fire of London topic! Jade for her determination in all lessons, especially Maths with her recall of number bonds.

Peacocks

Harvey for super enthusiasm and participation in Science Edith for trying hard with her writing

Woodpeckers

Sehr for showing resilience in maths using the equipment to help learn her number bonds. Logan for trying his best in his writing. Describing all the different things in his local area.

Hummingbirds

Alfie for using excellent vocabulary choices in your writing – I loved how you used questions to build suspense when you described your journey through a portal.

Dolly for always being ready to learn and for working really hard in Maths this week, well done.

Toucans

Jacob N for showing his passion and knowledge in our fossils work in Science and sharing some amazing facts with us

Ashton for demonstrating great sportsmanship in PE this week and encouraging his teammates during basketball

Parrots

Andrej SL for his perseverance and careful work when building his stone age house.

Rhys H for making a super effort in creative writing this week. His handwriting has improved and he has been really engaged with class discussions.

Herons

Hugo for being a fantastic Year 6 role model to all of our class.

Oscar for being really creative with his literacy this week.

Kingfishers

Anna for your inventive free standing pyramid

Illia for your hard work and determination in English, while working on our mystery stories.