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*We are a global community, learning and growing together.*

**Monday, 26 March 2018**

## PTA

### **Movie Night:**

Thank you to the PTA for rearranging Movie Night. The children had a wonderful time with their friends.

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March:** Open Mic Night 6pm to 8pm. A wonderful evening celebrating our talented pupils and families.

## Term Dates

### **2017 -2018**

Term 2 ends on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 1.30pm  
Term 3 starts on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April  
Half term ends on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 3pm  
The second half of term starts on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June  
Term ends on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 1.30pm

### **2018-2019**

School starts on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September.  
Half term ends on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm  
The second half of term starts on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October

### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

Parking outside the school has greatly improved thanks to the new markings. I have had to put cones on the double yellow lines to remind people they should not be parking on them. Cyclists use the pedestrian entrance and should be able to arrive safely at school and cycle in without worrying about cars parking where they should not be. Sadly because I am having to man this situation I have not been able to keep an eye on the playground so please remind your children not to ride their bikes or go on their scooters so we can keep it safe for everyone.

### **Collective Worship**

21<sup>st</sup> March - Curriculum Event Thank you to all the staff and children for making this event so successful. Apologies for not advertising it more.  
26<sup>th</sup> March – Rock Steady concert 9am  
27<sup>th</sup> March Year 4 play to the parents  
28<sup>th</sup> March - Our Library and Librarians  
18<sup>th</sup> April – Our Values  
25<sup>th</sup> April -Topic work  
2<sup>nd</sup> May – FSU  
9<sup>th</sup> May - Year 5  
16<sup>th</sup> May – Year 4  
22<sup>nd</sup> May Music concert FSU Year 1, Year 3, Year 5 to start at 9.15am.  
23<sup>rd</sup> May – Science  
6<sup>th</sup> June – Topics and trips  
13<sup>th</sup> June – P4C  
20<sup>th</sup> June – Run Jericho  
27<sup>th</sup> June – Forest School  
4<sup>th</sup> July – PE  
11<sup>th</sup> July – Class and personal achievements throughout the year.  
18<sup>th</sup> July – Thank you and Goodbye  
24<sup>th</sup> July Leavers Assembly

### **Thursday Collective Worship**

Collective Worship on Thursday, is led by the clergy from St Barnabas' Church.  
Themes  
19<sup>th</sup> April Easter service at St Barnabas' Church  
3<sup>rd</sup> May Rogation  
10<sup>th</sup> May Ascension  
17<sup>th</sup> May Marriage  
24<sup>th</sup> May Pentecost  
7<sup>th</sup> June Trinity  
14<sup>th</sup> June not yet decided  
21<sup>st</sup> June St John the Baptist  
28<sup>th</sup> June The Apostles  
5<sup>th</sup> July St Martin

12<sup>th</sup> July St Benedict and St Scholastica  
19<sup>th</sup> July Finding the Temple

## **Our value is Courage**

### **Weekly Attendance Data**

#### **Weekly number of children late per class:**

Foundation Stage (excluding Nursery): 0 (well done)

Year 1: 1

Year 2: 3

Year 3: 0 (well done)

Year 4: 1

Year 5: 0 (well done)

Year 6: 0 (well done)

Thank you to everyone that is regularly on time it really does make a difference to the children's learning, staff and the office.

**Lates:** thank you to families that are working with the class teachers to improve lateness. Please discuss with the class teacher if there is any way that the school can help you get your child to school on time. We know traffic can be an issue for some families but if you live locally and are having problems we may be able to arrange to come and walk your child to school.

#### **Whole School Attendance: 95.94%**

We aim to achieve a minimum of 95% attendance each week, however we would like this to improve and for the school to achieve at least 96% attendance or higher.

**Attendance:** If your child is unable to attend school then please telephone the office and leave a message, selecting the option to report an absence or alternatively you can email the office ([office.3832@st-barnabas.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3832@st-barnabas.oxon.sch.uk)). As stated in our Attendance Policy 'It is expected that parents will contact school as soon as it is reasonably practical (eg by 9.30 am) on every day their child is unable to attend'. Thank you

**Year 3 and Year 4:** Could parents and family members leave children at the classroom door so children can settle independently. Thank you.

### Dates:

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March:** Class Photos

### **May Dancing**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> 1.30pm if weather prevents it happening Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1.30pm in the KS1 playground.

**Open Mic Night:** Thank you to all the children and adults that took part. So many highlights, all made possible by Steph providing extra coaching and AI ensuring there was a wonderful sound system. Thank you for the generous people that ran the bar and food while the rest of us were lucky enough to sit and watch everything. So good that new children to school joined in and old pupils returned – always a very special moment seeing ex pupils wanting to still be part of the school.

**Easter Lunch:** We are holding an Easter Lunch on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

The menu will be:

Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding, Or  
Quorn Roast and Yorkshire Pudding  
Served with Roast Potatoes, Carrots, Broccoli and Gravy  
Dessert; Easter Chocolate Fudge pudding.  
*There is no need to pre order.*

**Run Jericho is on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June this year.** We will let you know when you can sign up for the race. Lots of the Run Jericho team are starting to prepare for the event. We will soon need to decide on the colour of the T Shirt. This is a wonderful event that happens each year and raises crucial, additional money for the school. The money raised has supported the library, outdoor equipment and IT equipment. It makes such a difference to the school and we are so grateful to our wonderful families that make it possible.

**Football cards and Zomblings:** I remember as a child the joy of collecting things, I think it was stamps. I remember my children collecting coins, shells and a lot of Disney stickers. However I do remember lots of problems with swapping, things going missing and upsets. So I am telling the children that there should be no football cards or zomblings in school, Breakfast Club or After School Club.

**The Eggbert website** is full of free downloadable activities for your children this Easter They can be found at [www.eggbertsadventures.com](http://www.eggbertsadventures.com).

Eggbert has officially taken over from Postman Pat and is now delivering the mail for The Royal Mail. The books are available directly from the website [www.eggbertsadventures.com](http://www.eggbertsadventures.com) post free and have been endorsed by the late Robin Gibb of The Bee Gees, Chris Tarrant and my old friend Colin Dexter.

### Internet Safety Websites

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/tools-information/advice-parents/im-worried-about-cyberbullying>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/>

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

### Useful Websites to support learning

<http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk> all ages all subjects.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/maths/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/english/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk> maths and English for all ages

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk> maths and English for all ages

<http://www.doorwayonline.org.uk>  
handwriting and learning to type

youtube channels to subscribe to Year 6  
Grammaropolis / TheAnimatedClassroom  
Math Antics  
also Cursive Handwriting: How to Write the Alphabet / Mister Teach / Harry Kindergarten Music / Times tables song 1-12 / pickupguitar.

### **Oxfordshire County Council are recruiting for Casual Clerks to the Governing Body!**

Salary range: £10.71 to £11.74 per hour, plus holiday pay

Work location: Oxfordshire, Countywide

Contract type: Casual

Becoming a Casual Clerk to the Governing Body

The Clerk provides:

- Comprehensive advice on governance and education legislation
- Coordination and organisation of meetings and workload
- Administrative support for governors, especially the Chair.

The LA clerking service is looking to recruit new clerks to the service. We currently have vacancies for schools all over Oxfordshire. This is a great opportunity for anyone who would like additional work to their full time job or anyone who is looking for part time work.

If you are interested in this role, please contact the school office for full details.

**Yours sincerely**

**Fiona Hawkins  
Headteacher**