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We are a global community, learning and growing together.

Monday, 21 May 2018

PTA

Wednesday 23rd May:

PTA Meeting in the staffroom at 7pm

All welcome with ideas and suggestions.
Run Jericho, The Fete and the future will be discussed.

Term Dates

2017 -2018

Half term ends on Friday 25th May at **3pm**
The second half of term starts on Tuesday 5th June
Term ends on Tuesday 24th July at **1.30pm**

2018-2019

School starts on Thursday 6th September.
Half term ends on Friday 19th October at **3pm**
The second half of term starts on Monday 29th October
Term ends on Friday 21st December at **1:30pm**
Term 2 starts 8th January
Half term ends 15th February at **3pm**

Dear Parents and Carers

Today is May Dancing, hopefully the weather is fine and you will be able to join us in the KS1 playground. If you have flowers to donate please bring in. Thank you.

Photos: At the end of the newsletter each week we will be including photos of school life and comments from the children. This week we have a selection of duck photos. This has been a wonderful experience for the Foundation Stage Unit children, being able to watch the ducks grow and develop. Thank you to the Foundation Stage team for making this possible.

Collective Worship

16th May – Year 4 – thank you for letting us know about the work you are covering this term about rights for children and world issues.
22nd May Music concert FSU Year 1, Year 3, Year 5 to start at 9.15am.
23rd May – Science
6th June – Topics and trips
13th June – P4C
20th June – Run Jericho
27th June – Forest School
4th July – PE
11th July – Class and personal achievements throughout the year.
18th July – Thank you and Goodbye
24th July Leavers Assembly

Thursday Collective Worship

Collective Worship on Thursday, is led by the clergy from St Barnabas' Church.
Themes
24th May Pentecost
7th June Trinity
14th June not yet decided
21st June St John the Baptist
28th June The Apostles
5th July St Martin
12th July St Benedict and St Scholastica
19th July Finding the Temple

Our value is Trust

Year 6 Cake Sale: The Year 6 children have organised a cake sale to raise money for the new football kit and the cake sale is perfectly timed to happen after the May Dancing. Any donations gratefully received.

Weekly Attendance Data

Weekly number of children late per class:

Foundation Stage (excluding Nursery): 1

Year 1: 1

Year 2: 1

Year 3: 0 (well done)

Year 4: 2

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: 95.77%

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). 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.

Run Jericho is on Sunday 17th June this year. 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.

Please do not ride bikes on the school playground or field before and after school. Thank you.

Dates:

May Dancing

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

Tuesday 22nd May: Year 6 to Pizza Express

Thursday 24th May: Year 3 to Hillend/Forest School.

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

Royal Wedding celebrations: Thank you to the kitchen staff for making the wedding meal special for the children and decorating the dining area. Nursery also had a morning celebrating the Royal Wedding by dressing up and having some food.

Library: Do you have any old DVDs to donate especially of classic stories, for example, Oliver, Alice in Wonderland etc. If you do could you please give them to the office and they will give them to the librarians. Thank you.

The Swan School: Monday 25th June. Representatives from The Swan School will come and talk to Year 5 pupils at the end of the day and following that there will be a meeting for parents at 3pm. Publicity material will be coming soon.

Allergies: Please remember we are a nut and seed free school. Please do not send in Kiwi fruit as some children are allergic – thank you.

Please see a link for information about allergies.

'living with anaphylactic allergies':

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/clips/zpdy6fr>

Staff news: I hope you all received the parent mail informing you that Karen Donaghey has been appointed as Headteacher of Bletchington Primary School as of 1st September 2018. Karen has been with the school for 3 years and has created many wonderful experiences for the pupils. Taking part in the carnival, the lantern festival, plays, dressing up as Star War characters for a trip to the cinema are just some examples. Karen has a great enthusiasm for education and is always researching new ideas to benefit the children. She will be missed at St Barnabas' but we are delighted for her.

Harriet who has worked with Karen will also be leaving this year and returning to her studies. Karen and Harriet have made a great team and Year 6 have benefitted from their expertise.

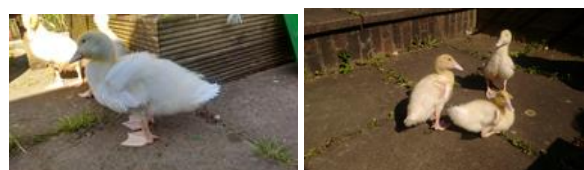
Football Tournament at Cutteslowe: Thank you to Year 5 - Kimora, Jess, Evie GB, Willow, Ines, Zora, Skye, Sharon & Alexandra and to Year 6 - Imogen, Sophie, Beth, Chloe, Mika, Neve & Rafaela for representing the school at the tournament. The girls were very proud to wear the new kit we have purchased.

Summertown Stars Football Club have been running a girls tournament at Cutteslowe Park for 8 years now and we have been attending for the last 4 years at least. Both teams had prepared in school with Jack ahead of the tournament and were ready for action in their new St. Barnabas' kit. The competition was tough with teams from SS Phillip & James, Windmill, St. Michael's and others and the Year 5 team fought hard to show their capability, with a big thanks to Peter and Michelle for their encouragement. All the Year 6s played well in their matches and were determined to do well. A particular well done to Imogen and Sophie for excellent captaining; organising the positions and for great team talk.

Are you #RunJerichoReady?

As a school, we have been working really hard to get ourselves ready for Run Jericho. All classes have been taking part in the 15 Minute Challenge - the aim is to do as many laps as we can in 15 minutes. For every mile we complete, we get a stamp in our "I'm getting Run Jericho Ready" Passport. Each week, we hope to let you know how many miles we have clocked up in preparation.

The totals are still being calculated. We shall update you after half term.



Yours sincerely
Fiona Hawkins
Headteacher

