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The Christian Value for this term is: 'COURAGE'

NEWSLETTER 9 MARCH 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

There have been a number of occasions recently where I have been so proud to be Headteacher of this school. One was last week when Ash Class, Year 4, took part in a concert in Christ Church Cathedral in Oxford. This was the finale of a singing project that they had been part of, with the Oxfordshire Music Service and Christ Church Cathedral choristers. The children sang beautifully and really enjoyed taking part in this event. They were also amazing ambassadors for our school, with members of the public commenting really positively to me about their fantastic behaviour and performance in the concert. We were also all excited to finish the morning with an unexpected special visit up to the 'Great Hall' of the college and the 'Harry Potter' staircase which featured in the first Harry Potter film. The children were amazed by all the old paintings around the walls of the Great Hall and were really interested in the history of the building.

There was another singing event this week, when members of our 'Glee Club' took part in the very first Oxfordshire 'Primary Pops' at the Music Centre in Barton on Wednesday evening. Once again, the children sang beautifully and with great confidence. Many congratulations to Yasmine from Ash Class, who really showed our value of 'Courage' when she stood up in front of 200 people and sang the first verse of Abba's 'Thankyou for the Music' as a solo. Her voice was clear and steady and she managed to hide any nerves that I'm sure she was feeling! We are all very proud of her, and a real talent in the making. Many thanks to Mrs Taylor and Miss Fletcher for all the work that they put in to help the children learn the songs for the concert.

Best wishes

Mrs S Broadbent

Headteacher

**Thank
you for
the music**

A FEW REMINDERS

PARKING

Please can I remind you all not to park around the school entrance as this can be extremely dangerous to other parents and children. Please also consider the neighbours and do not park across driveways.



Please also be aware of the difficulty in parking around the old swimming pool. This area will only get more congested as the building work continues especially with heavy construction vehicles accessing the site.

A MESSAGE FROM OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

'Oxford Air Needs Your Care'

Oxford City Council are asking for every car driver to try and help the air in Oxford to be cleaner and not polluted from drivers leaving their engines running when stationary. They report that idling cars lead to:

Lung Damage – Heart Disease – Asthma/Coughs

Please can all parents and carers who drive cars help the children's health by making the air quality



around our school pollution free. Please do not leave your engine running when bringing or collecting your child.

**Thank You For Keeping Our
Children Safe and Healthy**

Dates for your Diary

<p>FRIDAY 16TH MARCH 2.15pm in the school hall Lime Class [Year 1] Assembly</p>
<p>TUES 20TH AND WED 21ST MARCH Parents' Evenings Please book on ParentMail</p>
<p>FRIDAY 23RD MARCH 2.15pm in the school hall 'Celebrations Assembly'</p>
<p>THURSDAY 29TH MARCH School closes at the normal time of 3.00pm End of Term—Easter Holiday</p>
<p>MONDAY 16TH APRIL - 8.30AM Start of Summer Term</p>



ATTENDANCE—WEEK ENDING 9TH MARCH 2018

OUR TARGET IS FOR AT LEAST **96%** ATTENDANCE

DAMSON—[F1]		92.00%
HAWTHORN—[F1]		93.50%
LIME - [Y1]		94.14%
MAPLE—[Y1]		95.97%
CHERRY—[Y2]	★	96.90%
HAZEL—[Y2]	★	98.52%
STARS OF THE WEEK		
APPLE—[Y3]	★	98.15%
PLANE—[Y3]		94.07%
ASH—[Y4]	★	97.08%
OAK—[Y4]	★	97.30%
ROWAN—[Y5]		92.67%
WILLOW—[Y5]	★	97.67%
ASPEN—[Y6]	★	97.67%
SILVER BIRCH—[Y6]	★	97.78%

Well done to Cherry, Apple, Ash, Oak, Willow, Aspen and Silver Birch classes for achieving above 96% attendance and congratulations to all of the children in Hazel class for achieving 98.52% attendance and are our stars of the week!



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPORT RELIEF WEEK

week beginning 19th March.

Every class will be running a mile during their P.E. lesson. Please try to sponsor them!

TUESDAY 20TH MARCH—3.15-3.45pm
FAMILY FUN RUN. All the family can join in for a run around the school field. There will be collecting buckets for donations to Sports Relief.

FRIDAY 23RD MARCH—Come to school dressed as a Sports Star! £1 donation which you can pay via Parent Mail.



LAST DAY OF TERM—THURSDAY, 29TH MARCH

EASTER EVENTS ALL DAY!

'EASTER EGG RAFFLE' in Morning Assembly



'EASTER EGG HUNT' for Nursery and Reception children

'EASTER BONNET/HAT PARADE' - 2.30pm on the playground

'EASTER CAKE SALE AND BISCUIT DECORATING' at 3.00pm

The children are invited to design and make their own amazing Easter Bonnet/Hat creation which will be judged during the parade—prizes for the most creative. [Morning nursery will have a separate event in the morning]



A huge thank you to the Friends of St. Christopher's School for their help with these events.

ADVANCED NOTICE—Our Summer Fair will be held on SATURDAY, 30th JUNE. Please put the date in your diary now!