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Dear Parents,

'Stranger Danger'

Our local PCSO came to talk with the children about 'stranger danger' and their own personal safety this week. We followed it up in school and hope you were able to do the same at home.

Parent/Teacher Meetings

Thank you for coming along to our parent / teacher meetings this week and I hope you found them useful. If you weren't able to make it please do contact your child's class teacher to make an alternative date.

Bonfire Night School Meal

The School Lunch Company are putting on a special 'Bonfire' themed menu for the 5th November. If your child doesn't usually have a school dinner they may want to try it. Please book up on Monday, (price £2.10) if you can, to help with numbers.

Visits



As well as the visit from the PCSO on Wednesday, some of our Year 6 children had even more safety awareness training in the form of cycle training on Monday. They will be continuing with their 5 week course after half term and then the rest of the class will be undertaking their training. Also the Fire and Rescue Service visited today to talk with the Year 5 and Year 6 children about fire safety. Our Year 4 children also really enjoyed their very wet visit to Chedworth Roman Villa this week. The rain didn't dampen

their spirits though, as they dressed as romans, looked in awe at the roman mosaics and explored roman toilets!

Drawing Workshops at half term

As part of the Big Draw Exhibition, Oxford Brookes University are holding drop-in drawing workshops for children and adults. These workshops will enable people to engage with different formats and approaches to drawing and will be hosted by Art students from Oxford Brookes University who are practicing artists and designers. All materials will be provided and there is no need to book.

The Big Draw Workshop 5-7 year olds Monday 26th October 2-4pm

The Big Draw Workshop 8-12 year olds Tuesday 27th October 2-4pm

Location: The Glass Tank, Abercrombie Building, Headington Campus, Gipsy Lane site

Eco Award success

Mrs Druce and our band of eco-warriors have worked really hard over the past few months on developing our school's eco-awareness and environment friendly credentials. They were all delighted that they were able to apply for and achieve the Bronze Eco Award this week. Very well done, we are very proud of all of them and I'm told the Silver Eco Award is just around the corner...



Year 6 Secondary School Application

As most Year 6 parents will know, the deadline for secondary school applications is Monday 2nd November. Parents should apply online at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions.

Cake Sale:

The Pre-School Nursery will be holding a cake sale after school today at the end of the school drive.

From your PTA:

Thank you so much to all those who attended our movie night on Friday. It was a great evening, and an excellent way to kickstart our fundraising this year. Thank you to all those who helped make it a success. Please put the date for our Chilli Christmas Bazaar in your diaries - Friday 4th December. Each class will have a stall run by the parents, so we will need lots of volunteers please. Have a great half term.

Next Week:

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| W/B 26 th October | All week | Half term break |
| Thursday 5 th November | AM | Fire Talk/Engine Visit for Year 2 |
| Friday 6 th November | 9.00am | Year 3 class assembly – friends and families welcome |
| Friday 6 th November | AM | Music for Schools Concert for pupils Years 2 – 6 (Parents meeting for those interested on 12 th November, more details to follow) |

What has my child been doing this week?

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| Reception | Preparing for our party to celebrate rescuing the princess, measuring heights and more and less than and exploring the idea that 'pirates have feelings too'. (As well as the letters / sounds H, B, L and F). |
| Year 1 | Using really good describing words, exploring what to do in maths with word problems and looking at seasonal weather in the UK. |
| Year 2 | Enjoying a visit from Mrs Woodley who brought in her new baby Jules, writing our own hospital visit stories and finding out about the work in Crimean hospitals that Mary Seacole did. |
| Year 3 | Adding and subtracting 100s 100s and 1000s, looking at prepositions and dramatizing the story of King Alfred and the burning of the cakes. |
| Year 4 | Exploring fractions, looking at the invasion of Great Britain by The Romans and following up their visit to Chedworth Roman Villa |
| Year 5 | Geometry work, exploring why the Rainforests of South America are at risk and presenting their truffles to the judges in the Great Truffle Making Competition! |
| Year 6 | Solving word problems, performance poetry and enjoying a science and engineering workshop from Science Oxford on 'Super Suckers'! |

I hope you have an enjoyable and restful half term break, and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday 2nd November.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Ed Read