



News from Cumnor School

Spring Term Newsletter Number 1

6th January 2017

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year and enjoyed the break. It has been lovely to see all the children back at school this week - not only full of stories about their Christmases but also really enthusiastic about their new topics.

After School Clubs

Hopefully you received confirmation of the after school clubs that your child can attend this term. All clubs start next week.

Class newsletters

Each class has been sent home a brief newsletter today along with a topic overview to help keep you informed of the curriculum areas they are covering this term. Don't forget that more detailed information on the core subjects can be found on the website subject pages.

Head Lice

Unfortunately we have already had a couple of cases of head lice this term. Please could you all check your children's hair this weekend and treat them accordingly before this problem gets out of hand. Thank you

2017 / 2018 Term Dates.

Term dates for 2017 / 2018 have now been finalised. Below is a summary. Full details and a downloadable visual timetable are available on the school website:

Wednesday 6 th September	Children return to School
23 rd – 27 th October	Half Term
Friday 24 th November	INSET day
Tuesday 19 th December	End of Term
Thursday 4 th January	Children return to School
12 th – 16 th February	Half Term
Thursday 29 th March	End of Term
Monday 16 th April	Children return to School
28 th May – 1 st June	Half Term
4 th June	INSET day
Tuesday 24 th July	End of Term

What has my child been doing this week?

Reception	Reading 'Lost and Found', learning about sea life and experimenting with the different properties of water.
Year 1	Learning about life on board a ship, starting treasure maps and finding out about place value.
Year 2	Revising number bonds and place value, retelling African tales and printing safari patterns.
Year 3	Ordering numbers, introducing our work on Shakespeare's 'The Tempest' and playing football in the mud!
Year 4	Starting our new topic by reading Stone-Age Boy and finding out about the Stone Age. Working on place value and negative numbers.
Year 5	Reading, writing and rounding large numbers. Discovering Greek myths and practising apostrophes for possession and contraction.
Year 6	Learning about the pyramids of Ancient Egypt, using semi-colons in our writing, converting miles to kilometres in maths.

Have a good weekend,



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Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 17 th January	AM	Year 3 start swimming lessons
Tuesday 17 th January	PM	Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Perform Workshop
Friday 20 th January	9.00am	Year 1 class assembly – family and friends welcome
Friday 20 th January	2.30pm	Year 5 residential visit meeting for parents and children
Tuesday 24 th January	All Day	Year 6 visit to Highclere Castle
Wednesday 25 th January	PM	Reception and Year 6 heights and weights
Friday 27 th January	9.00am	Year 2 class assembly – family and friends welcome
Friday 27 th January	AM	Year 5 Primary Concert visit to The Sheldonian Theatre
Tuesday 31 st January	3.30pm	Year 6 transfer parents meeting with Kathryn Ryan, Headteacher at Matthew Arnold School
Friday 3 rd February	All Day	World Number Day – Maths day in school
Friday 10 th February	All Day	INSET day – school closed to children
Week Beginning 13 th February	All Week	Half Term Holiday
Thursday 23 rd February	All Day	Year 1 visit to The Cotswold Wildlife Park
Tuesday 28 th February	All Day	Year 5 visit to Ashmolean Museum
Wednesday 1 st March	All Day	Author Rachael Delahay in school
Thursday 2 nd March	All Day	World Book Day
Tuesday 14 th March	4 -7pm	Parent / Teacher meetings
Wednesday 15 th March	3.30 -5pm	Parent / Teacher meetings
Friday 17 th March	9.00am	Year 5 class assembly – family and friends welcome
Friday 17 th March	All Day	Year 4 trip to Chedworth Roman Villa
Friday 24 th March	9.00am	Reception class assembly – family and friends welcome
Friday 31 st March	9.00am	Year 4 class assembly – family and friends welcome
Week Beginning 3 rd April	All Week	Year 6 residential visit to Woodlands in Wales
Friday 7 th April	9.30am	Easter Service at St Michael's church
Friday 7 th April	1.15pm	End of term
Monday 24 th April	8.50am	Children return to school
Friday 28 th April	9.00am	Year 1 class assembly – family and friends welcome
Week Beginning 8 th May	All Week	Year 6 SATs
Friday 26 th May	9.00am	Year 3 class assembly – family and friends welcome
Week Beginning 29 th May	All Week	Half Term Holiday
Monday 5 th June	All Day	INSET day – school closed to children
Tuesday 6 th June	8.50	Children return to school
Thursday 22 nd June	PM	Sports Day. You are welcome to join us at lunchtime for picnics on the field followed by races in the afternoon.
Saturday 24 th June	12 – 3pm	PTA Summer Fete
Wed 28 th – Fri 30 th June		Year 5 residential visit to Hill House in Somerset
Friday 7 th July	9.00am	Reception class assembly – family and friends welcome
Friday 14 th July	From 5pm	End of term BBQ
Thursday 20 th July	9.30am	End of term leavers service at St. Michael's church
Friday 21 st July	1.15pm	End of term