



# News from Cumnor School

Summer Term Newsletter Number 6

9<sup>th</sup> June 2017

## Election Day



Whilst the adults around the country were voting in the general election on Thursday, Cumnor School were also exercising their democratic rights to vote; choosing which charity they would like to support next year.

Our School Council selected 3 charities to choose from: Sobell House, Blue Cross and Barnardo's. They then gave a very interesting and motivating assembly regarding the three charities and encouraging everyone to vote. On voting day, we set up our 'polling station' in the hall with a returning office checking off names and giving out voting slips as they do in the real election.

The votes were then counted and verified.

Sobell House	38
Blue Cross	94
Barnardo's	75

So we will be pleased to be supporting the Blue Cross next year.

Well done to everyone for taking part and doing it so sensibly, and a really big well done to our School Council for organising the election so well and speaking so passionately in assembly. They all did a brilliant job.

## Staff News

As you know, Mr Young will be leaving us in the summer. We have now appointed a new Reception teacher, Miss Lena Anfray, currently a reception teacher at Wood Farm in Oxford, to take on this role. Miss Anfray is an experienced Reception Teacher and is very much looking forward to starting with us in September.

In the summer we will also be saying goodbye to our HLTA, Linda Druce. Linda has worked in our school for 13 years and has become an invaluable member of staff, working in our reception class for many years and working with small groups of children with intervention programmes. Linda has also led our School Council, Eco Council and Anti-bullying ambassadors. We are really grateful for all the incredible work Linda has done for us, her commitment and professionalism, and wish her all the best for the future.

## Summer Term Parent Survey

We are always keen to capture your views on our school, how you think we are doing and ideas for further improvement. Each year we send out a questionnaire to parents to help us not only with this snapshot, but also to monitor trends from year to year.

Once again we will be conducting our survey online using survey monkey. This is very easy to do and should save a great deal of time for everyone. Please click on this link or copy it into your browser to complete the questionnaire. Thank you.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CumnorCEPrimarySchoolSurvey2017>

### National Book Tokens Prize Draw

National Book tokens are running a Prize Draw where the school could win £5,000 of book tokens. All you have to do is fill in a few details on the form provided and send it off! Please give it a go – someone has to win! <https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools#.WTfTgWjytaQ>

### Fancy a bit of pond dipping this weekend?

Pond dipping in the village pond for children aged 6 or over. Run by Cumnor Conservation Group on Saturday 10th June 2017 at 10.00 am. Places are limited so booking is essential. For more details contact frances.watkins@anthriscus.co.uk or phone 01865 863660. (Each child must be accompanied by a responsible adult.)

### Non Uniform Day

We are really looking forward to the Summer Fete on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2017. We will be having a non-uniform Day next Friday, 16th June. We would be very grateful for any items that you are able to donate towards this event such as bottle, chocolates, toys, books etc. and of course your help on the day is always welcome.

	What has my child been doing this week?
Reception	Shared ideas for our farm topic, practiced halving and sharing equally and talked about our differences and similarities.
Year 1	Learning about standard units of measure, making dinosaur biscuits, forecasting the weather.
Year 2	Reading The Tiny Seed, practicing addition facts and planting seeds.
Year 3	Learning about equivalent fractions, writing stories and playing tennis.
Year 4	Finding fractions of amounts, learning about Jewish beliefs and talking about likes and dislikes in French.
Year 5	Writing about coastal landforms, writing biographies of Michael Morpurgo and enjoying watching our chicks hatch.
Year 6	Making volcanoes, finding out about bearings, writing about Mother Theresa.

### Next Week

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	Year 3 visit to Sutton Courtenay
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> June	AM	Class photos
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	Reception class to Farmer Gow's all day
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	All day	Non Uniform Day – donations for the fete please

Thank you for your continued support,



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