



News from Cumnor School

Autumn Term Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

You should have received the OFTSED report by pupil post yesterday. If you didn't receive a copy, I have also put it on the school's website. It will be another week or two before the SIAMS report is through.

Harvest Service at St. Michaels

We will be holding our annual Harvest Service at St Michael's Church next Thursday at 9.30am. You are very welcome to come and join us if you wish. If you would like to make a donation of tinned beans or pulses for us to give to Oxford Homeless Pathways, we would be very grateful. (No glass bottles please.) Children should bring their donations on Thursday to carry down to the church with them in the morning.

TMG Club cancelled next week

Unfortunately we are having to cancel The TMG club on Monday next week. The club will resume the week after (9th October).

Cross country results

Well done to our Cross Country teams who competed earlier this week. We entered 4 teams and they all did really well. The Year 3 / 4 girls came 2nd, Year 3 / 4 boys came 3rd, Year 5 / 6 girls were 3rd and the Year 5 / 6 boys came 6th. Particularly well done to Diarmuid who won his event!

From your PTA

Please remember to return all your finished Christmas Card designs, order forms and money (cheques payable to 'Cumnor School PTA') to the office by Monday 2nd October! It might seem early but Cauliflower Cards can then process and print the cards and have them back in school by the first week of December. This is a fabulous way to raise money for the PTA and also purchase some high quality and unique cards with your children's' personal designs. Don't forget that you can use; pastels, paints, collages of paper and fabric, felt tips, ink, printing, charcoal, glitter, buttons and even googly eyes! For more ideas please visit their gallery on the cauliflowercards.co.uk website. Any questions or problems then please ask Adrian at gandalark@gmail.com.



We have had our first committee meeting of the academic year and we are pleased to let you know that there is going to be a school disco for the children on FRIDAY 13th OCTOBER 5-6pm for KS1 and KS2 6.15-7.15. We have Dave Seamer booked to run the disco, who did a brilliant job last year. There will be pizza and the usual bar snacks/drinks for both children and adults.

The AGM of the PTA will also happen during the disco on 13th October. The PTA is about creating fun, social and enriching activities for pupils, parents, staff and the wider community events that raise money to support the school and provide social opportunities for the school community and, ultimately, to raise money for funds (increasingly essential rather than a luxury) for the school. The AGM is one of the opportunities to join the committee and hear from the chair and treasurer about what has been happening. This year we are looking for some fresh recruits as there

are a large number of current members standing down having completed their term on the committee. This means we are looking for a new chair and a new secretary as well as members who are able to offer their time to planning, organising, setting up and clearing up at events. So, if you are interested come to the AGM and meet the current team, but feel free to get in touch with any of the current members (see notice board next to Mr Read's office for contacts) beforehand. There is a great team waiting for you to join who are fantastic fun to work with.

We look forward to seeing you and your children on 13th October.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open 5 days a week – spaces are available please contact Pat on 07717778045 for more information.

Next week:

Wednesday 4 th October	All day	Year 6 visit to Oxford Castle
Wednesday 4 th October	PM	Year 2 visit from Homeless Pathways
Thursday 5 th October	9.30am	Harvest service at St Michael's Church
Friday 6 th October	All day	Year 5 Visit to the Living rainforest
Friday 6 th October	All day	Year 4 Visit to the Roald Dahl Museum

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Making porridge and writing recipes, painting our self-portraits like Archimbaldo and counting 1 to 1 objects.
Year 1	Adding and subtracting one digit numbers, performing poems as part of National Poetry Day and investing our sense of smell and taste.
Year 2	Following instructions to make and taste pumpkin soup and learning where different foods come from around the world.
Year 3	Using maths to solve 'real life' problems, creating shape poems and spelling words containing apostrophes.
Year 4	Finding out about Roald Dahl's childhood, exploring the characters in Matilda and practicing our column addition.
Year 5	Writing non-chronological reports about Brazil and the rainforest, creating a class 'Freedom' poem and starting to learn 2 and 3 digit multiplication strategies.
Year 6	Writing poetry in the style of Ogden Nash, finding multiples and factors, and learning about using perspective in art.

Yours sincerely,



Ed Read