



News from Cumnor School

Autumn Term Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for coming along to the Parent / Teacher meetings this week. I hope you found them useful and informative. If you didn't get a chance to meet your child's class teacher please could get in touch with the office as soon as possible to make an appointment in the near future.

A busy week...!

We had lots of trips out this week: Year 6 had a great morning at the John Radcliffe Hospital learning to keep themselves safe and learning basic first aid. Year 1 had a fabulous day in Oxford visiting Oxford Cathedral and going to the Story Museum and Year 3 have been at Hill End all day today exploring what life would have been like for the Saxons and Vikings. The trips have been squeezed in amongst the Year 4 maths challenge, drama workshops for Reception and Year 2, cycling tests in Year 6, the Remember When concert, tag rugby competition and the Year 5 truffle project judging (not to mention parents evenings!) We're ready for a quiet weekend!



Year 4 Maths Challenge

Very well done to our Year 4 Maths Challenge team of Maddie, Amy, Will and Toby. As with the Year 6 mathematicians last week, they worked really hard and did an astounding job both mathematically and in representing our school. They came an amazing third overall out of the 52 school there.

Tag Rugby

Our star team of Eva, Sebastien, Quinn, Leila, Ava, Raphael, Amy J and James were a credit to the school and played brilliantly in the Vale U11 Primary Tag Rugby festival in Grove this week, winning half their matches. Well done to all and thank you to Mrs D for taking the team.



Kitchen Garden Club

Congratulations to all the children (and Mrs Vane) from our Kitchen Garden Club who, as well as having fun growing and cooking their food, have now attained the RHS Gardening Award level 1. Well done to all of them and good luck working towards Level 2.



Remember When Concert

Our choir sang beautifully at the Remember When concert at the village hall on Thursday. There were over 100 elderly men and women from the village and local care homes, who all enjoyed an afternoon tea, dancing and entertainers supported by the armed services. I am told that the children singing is always the highlight of the afternoon. Well done choir, we are very proud of you.

From your PTA

Thank you so much to everyone who bought second hand uniform in our sales over Parents evenings, we raised £46.00 for the school.

Do you have links to any fun days out, restaurants, sports clubs or events, travel companies, shops or anything out of the ordinary? Do you have any special skills, are you an amazing gardener/cleaner/baker? If so would you be prepared to ask a company or offer your services for a raffle prize for the Christmas Fayre? The raffle is where we make the most money for the school and the better the prizes the more money we make.

Non uniform day Thursday 23rd November - please bring in a raffle prize for the stall
Your class rep will be shortly sending around a rota to fill in for stalls, please offer to fill a slot as soon as you can. If you wish to speak to your class rep the list is on the PTA board. We are still looking for a Yr 6 representative, please do offer, even if you don't feel you have much time!

Christmas Fayre Friday 1st December - we have lots of exciting stalls planned, with food and drink. SSSSHHHHHH, keep it a secret but we are looking for two gentlemen to take on the role of the Big Man himself. You would be needed from either 5.30 - 6.30pm, or 6.30 - 7.30pm, all costume provided, qualities needed - the ability to ask the same questions over and over again, a good listener, and a deep chuckle.

For any raffle prizes, Yr 6 rep, the Big Man, or if you would just like to offer your assistance in setting up/clearing away the Christmas Fayre please e-mail pitts.adrian@gmail.com

Shoe Box appeals

Thank you for your Shoebox donations. We had just over 40 boxes in the end. These are being delivered this weekend to the appropriate charities for Operation Christmas Child and Link to Hope.

Next Week:

Monday 13 th November	All day	Year 6 visit to Hill End
Thursday 16 th November	AM	Dance Workshop for Year 1 and 2
Friday 17 th November	9.00am	Year 5 class assembly. Parents and friends welcome

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Starting our Super-hero topic, helping Superman to find the quickest way to melt ice! Segmenting words and making flags to be taken to Antarctica.
Year 1	Creating our own stories with a twist, learning how to programme a beebot and visiting the Story Museum and Cathedral.
Year 2	Enjoying a visit from Plop and Mummy Owl who came to visit, writing letters to Plop and writing postcards to Mr Read about Remembrance Sunday.
Year 3	Multiplication and division problems, investigating friction and making our own Viking inspired shields.
Year 4	Writing Remembrance poetry, creating self-portraits in the style of Lowry and talking about our families in French
Year 5	Making our truffles and having the final judging of the Truffle Project, developing characters in stories and reading timetables.
Year 6	Calculating percentages, researching European countries and finding out a little about Picasso.

Yours sincerely,



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