



News from Cumnor School

Spring Term Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Year 6 class assembly

We all really enjoyed the Year 6 class assembly on the theme of Ancient Egypt this morning. The performance was highly polished and thoroughly professional, but above all the children were all so smiley and clearly enjoying themselves. Very well done to everyone.

Book Donations

We had a lovely surprise of 3 boxes of books from a family who were going through their daughter's bookcase this week. It's always great to add more books to our class and school libraries. If you're having a 'Spring Clean' this Easter and find books that your children have read and no longer want, they would be gratefully received at school for other children to enjoy.



Recycling Competition

The Eco-council's 'Make an animal out of recycled materials.' competition closes on Monday next week. This is a great opportunity to use up some of your old recycling in a creative way, and there are prizes too! Could all children bring in their recycled animals and their £1 entry on Monday and put them in the school hall for judging. Good luck!!

Clubs next week

All school clubs have now finished and so there are no clubs next week with the exception of Karate and Sketching.

Earlier this week you should have received our letter regarding the clubs available for the summer term. Please could you return your child's preferences by Monday so we can allocate places before the end of term? Thank you.

Well done Mega-finalists

Following on from the club chess competition this term, Jay, Ashwin, Leila, Toby, Luke, James, Sebastien and Jake all qualified for the next round – the Oxfordshire Megafinals in April. Well done to all of them and good luck!

Trips this week

Our Year 3 children had a great day out in Oxford this week – the weather was fabulous, the children beautifully behaved and everyone was impressed with their knowledge at both the Ashmolean Museum and the Oxford Centre for Hindu Studies.

Year 4 have also been out today – visiting Chedworth Roman Villa. I'm sure they had a great day too!

Staff news

We will be sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Caroline Knight, who is currently a Teaching Assistant in Reception, and will be leaving us after Easter. We wish her well in the future. Mrs. Knight's duties will be covered by Mrs Robinson and Mrs Barry for the rest of the year.

From your PTA:

Tonight is Bingo Night! The bingo will run from 5.30 - 7.30pm with the bar staying open until 8.30pm so we have a chance for a chat. Anyone who can come early and help set up, or stay for 20mins at the end to help clear up will be appreciated. It promises to be a fantastic evening – Hope you can come!!

Easter Holiday Chess Club

A new holiday “chess and activities” holiday club for children is starting up this Easter holidays at Cumnor Primary School (NB the school is the venue; it is not run by the school). The club will run from 9am – 4.30pm during the holidays. Our external chess coach, Dr Andrew Varney, will be leading the chess coaching. It is suitable for all children aged 7 and above who are keen to learn how to play chess, and for those who already enjoy playing but would like to improve. Further details at <http://www.oxfordfusion.com/oca/documents/ONGCAC%20Flyer%20-%20April%202018.pdf>

Messy Church

The next Messy Church sessions are on Saturday 24th March 3 – 5pm at St Michael’s Church in Cumnor and again on Good Friday 30th March from 2 – 4pm at St Andrew’s Church in Dean’s Court. Fun and food provided!

School Dinners

WEEK 3 menus:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Salmon Nibbles Or Cheese and tomato pizza	Pork sausages Or Quorn sausages	Roast gammon and Yorkshire pudding Or Vegetarian mince and vegetable pie	Teriyaki chicken with rice Or Macaroni cheese

Dinner Money Bills

Key Stage 2 dinner money bills have been sent home with your child today. Please ensure the payment is settled before the end of term.

What has my child been doing this week?

Reception	Cooked healthy savoury muffins with a chef, learned about symmetry in maths, performed our Star Wars orchestra and surveyed trees in the forest.
Year 1	Counting in 5s, adding-ed, and learning about what makes a great leader.
Year 2	Practised telling the time, writing in role and tie dying fabric.
Year 3	Multiplication and division facts for 3 and 4, writing in the first person and experimenting with ultra violet light.
Year 4	Writing newspaper reports, solving problems using the 24 hour clock and finishing off our torches and light houses.
Year 5	Understanding the difference between formal and informal writing, discussing sacrifice with the Easter story and interpreting line graphs.
Year 6	Using scale factors in maths, writing Quidditch commentaries with a range of adverbials, and preparing for our Egyptian assembly.

Next Week:

Wednesday 28 th March	All Morning	Year 6 photos taken – best uniform and combed hair!!
Thursday 29 th March	9.30am	Easter service at St. Michael's church. Friends and family welcome.
Thursday 29 th March	1.15pm	School closes for the Easter holiday.
Monday 16 th April	8.50am	Children return for the Summer term.

End of term

Please remember that school finishes next Thursday at 1.15pm.

Lots to remember this weekend – Bingo tonight, make a recycled animal, clocks go forward, first Grand Prix of the season!! Enjoy!!

Yours sincerely,



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