# News from Cumnor School

**Summer Term Newsletter** **Number 6** **25th May 2018**

**Dear Parents,**
We had another wonderful assembly from our Key Stage One children this morning. This time it was Year 2's turn and they thrilled us with stories of Robin Hood and other woodland tales. They showed us how confident they have become and the amazing learning they have done over the last term.

**Email system**
You may have spotted that our email system has been a little problematic this week. This has been due to the new GDPR regulations and Office365 changing its policy on bulk emails. Please be assured that no email addresses or data have been compromised and we think we have a working solution to the problem. If you have any difficulties or spot a problem please do let us know. On a related matter, we are in the process of revising our data protection policy in line with GDPR and our revised privacy notice will be published on the school website in due course.

**Tennis Success**
Congratulations to all 12 of our tennis players who went to compete in the partnership competition at Matthew Arnold this week. All teams reached the finals of their league at the event and we have been invited to send a team to the Vale District Finals after half term. Well done Luca, Jackson, Raphael, Aimee, Fleur, Olivia, Jake, Hannah, Rebecca, Quinn, Sebastien and Evie.

**Fantastic footballers!**
Our girls' teams returned to the North Oxford Football Competition on Saturday, bigger (in number) and stronger than ever, and found themselves a marked squad! Having won both the cups two years in a row, we were the school to beat and the other schools clearly came out in force to do their best! Both the U11s and the U9s fought their

way incredibly well through to the final, but sadly both teams lost the cup finals on penalties. Congratulations also go to the other U11s team who played fantastically and did their best against some very strong opposition. We were very proud to have enough girls to field 3 teams and hope that we can return next year to win the cups back!
A huge thank you to Miss Pearson for giving up her Saturday to organise and manage the teams and to everyone who came along to support our girls and cheer them on.

**Missing Trophy**
On a separate football note, the Cumnor Minors had their awards day last weekend and lots of our children brought in their trophies on Monday morning for our Achievement Assembly. Unfortunately as all the trophies were distributed, one went to the wrong home. If your child received a trophy from Cumnor Minors and brought it to assembly on Monday, please could check that it's the right one? The missing one is for Cumnor Minors BLUE. Thank you.

**Art Day**
We have all enjoyed a wonderful art day at the end of term. The children have been creating their own watercolours and poems in the style of Jackie Morris based on the wildlife around Cumnor, inspired by the book 'The Lost Worlds' kindly donated to the school by a parent. Some of the children's pictures will be on display after half term.

**Cumnor Pre-School Cake Sale**
The Cumnor Pre-School cake sale will take place after school today at the top of the school drive. Please come along if you are able to.

**School dinners after Half Term:**

WEEK 1 menus –
Now that the weather seems to be picking up (fingers crossed) we will be offering 'Munchy Bunches' to the children for lunch after half term The Munchy Bunch will be an alternative to a packed lunch, with baguettes (ham, cheese or tuna) fruit, a biscuit (healthy) and carrots / cucumber and a drink. The children will be able to eat this as a picnic outside with the other children who bring in a packed lunch. If you would like to order one for your child instead of a hot meal (Hot meals will still be available) please do so in the usual way. They too will cost £2.30 for all Key Stage 2 children and will be free for all Reception and Year One children as part of the governments Universal Free School Meals policy.

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| INSET DAY | Minced Beef Moussaka or Cauliflower Cheese and Broccoli Bake | Roast Pork and Yorkshire Pudding 0r Roast Quorn and Yorkshire Pudding | Mild Chicken Curry or Vegetarian Meatballs | Oven Baked Breaded Fish or Vegetable Moussaka |

**What has my child been doing this week?**

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| Reception | Retelling the story of The Little Red Hen, making our own bread and painting in the style of Jackie Morris. |
| Year 1 | Writing instructions on how to build a fire, writing and solving number sentences within 20, and learning about early explorer Ibn Battuta |
| Year 2 | Learning about life cycles, comparing characters from The Fantastic Mr Fox and enjoying Art Day. |
| Year 3 | Writing about the death of Amy Robsart, beginning to build our Tudor house and having a go at some end of term assessments! |
| Year 4 | Writing stories inspired by The Wind in the Willows, thinking about our school value of peace and learning numbers to 20 in French. |
| Year 5 | Creating computer codes using LightBot, improving our striking and fielding skills and writing adventure stories based on Kensuke's Kingdom. |
| Year 6 | Creating information texts based on animals living in extreme environments, researching volcanoes and writing explorer stories. |

**Next Week:**

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| W/B 28th May | | Half Term Break |
| Monday 4th June | | INSET Day |
| Tuesday 5th June | | Children return to school |

Have a great half term, and don't forget that the first Monday back is an Inset Day so the children will return to school on Tuesday 5th June.

Yours sincerely,

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