



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to you all. The holidays have flown by (probably not for you!).

We are heading back into some realms of pre COVID normality although some precautions will remain the same. The children have enjoyed being able to play together again at lunch and break times with no restrictions and they have loved being back in the hall altogether for lunch. What was really lovely were children, who were completely new to the school, looking around and taking in things they had never seen before, such as our cross-stitch lunchtime prayer. As a school some things remain in place in case we need to revert back to strict measures such as the one way system. The children are already in class bubbles and this will continue to be the case. Parents evening in the Autumn Term will again be virtual, via TEAMS, although SEND meetings will be face to face. Hopefully as we move towards the end of the Autumn Term we will be able to do things such as a Carol Service and end of term productions.

On a separate note, I want to talk to you all about homework. Teachers will be sending out limited homework over the next few weeks as we review the current policy in consultation with you. Look out for this information. Please respond to the consultation as your collective views will help us to reshape and rethink our policy.

And finally, I just want to say a huge thank you to everyone that supported the Wroxton Village Fete. As a school we raised £110 which was really appreciated. The governors had a really high profile and spoke to many people that day, as well as showing people around the external school building and site.

April Guinness  
Head Teacher



## Star of the Week

Eagles: Yusuf  
Kestrels: Dani  
Kites: Daaniya  
Falcons: Oliver



## Sports Stars

Eagles: Molly  
Kestrels: The Class!  
Kites: Finley  
Falcons: Emma

### *Weekly Quote*

*"Responsibility finds a way, irresponsibility makes excuses!"*

*Gene Bedley*

## Secondary School Applications

Parents and carers of Year 6 children can now apply for transfer to Year 7 at secondary school.

Applications should be submitted online

at: [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions)

The deadline for receipt of completed applications is **31 October 2021**.

- People who apply on time will be contacted on 1 March 2022, National Offer Day, with the offer of a school place.
- People who miss the deadline are likely to be contacted later in the year and will have a much lower chance of securing a place at a preferred school.

## School Dinners – action needed

Please remember to book your child's lunch for the week starting 20<sup>th</sup> September no later than Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

If you are having trouble logging into SchoolMoney please contact the office.

## E-safety

### Chatting, being kind and making friends online

Primary-age children may not have previously had much experience with video chatting apps such as zoom, FaceTime and Skype, but may well be using them now for education or to keep in touch with family and friends.

To make sure your child has a positive experience video chatting online, read this [guide for parents and carers](#)

## Footy Kids returns to Wroxton

The children will all be able to experience a taster session with Footy Kids on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September during the school day. They will be starting a lunchtime club on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October for children who are interested. Details will follow.

Parents who paid for sessions that were cancelled to COVID restrictions will have their child's place reserved.

## We Need You!

**FOW (Friends of Wroxton)** our school PTA will be holding their AGM on Wednesday 22nd September at 7pm in Kestrels classroom.

Mrs Ruffle has taken on the role of teacher lead for FOW this year. She is very, very eager to get lots more parents involved so if you are interested in finding out more then please come along.

At the meeting they will also be appointing a new Chair and Secretary so if this is something you think you would be interested in then please do let Mrs Ruffle know.

Looking for something new for your daughter to try?

Calling all girls aged 10 or over ( or soon to be 10 )

1st Grimsbury Guides meet on a Monday evening 7pm to 8.30pm at St Paul's Church on the Warwick Road and are looking for some new members.

We do all kinds of fun activities and work towards badges. This summer we have been canal boating, learnt camp skills including fire lighting and cooking. We have created geo caches, been litter picking, taken part in a penny hike, made up songs about staying safe in the sun, played rounders. This term we are pleased to be back meeting indoors and have lots of activities planned around working as part of a team.

To find out more please get in touch with Catherine Blackburn.

## Please do not send your child to school if they experiencing COVID 19 Symptoms:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal