

# Wootton St. Peter's CE Primary School Newsletter

28th September 2018

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*Our Vision: Love to learn and achieve with confidence, creativity and kindness*

*Our School Values: Perseverance, Generosity and Compassion.*



## SCHOOL NEWS

### Up Coming Dates

- **Class 1 (Foundation Children only) eye test at school new date-** Fri 30<sup>th</sup> November
- **Deadline for online/paper application for secondary schools-** Weds 31<sup>st</sup> October.
- **Tilsley Park Cross Country-** Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> October at Tilsley Park. Please can we have all permission slips back by Mon 1<sup>st</sup> October.
- **Harvest Festival-** Mon 8<sup>th</sup> October
- **School trip, Yrs 3, 4, 5 and 6 to Harcourt Arboretum-** Weds 10<sup>th</sup> October. Please can all permission slips and payments be returned to the school office by Mon 8<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Individual School/ Family Photos-** Mon 15<sup>th</sup> October from 8:45.
- **School Health Nurse, immunisations R-Yr5** Mon 15<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Teacher Training Day-** Fri 19<sup>th</sup> October.
- **School finishes-** Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> October 3pm
- **Half Term-** Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fri 26<sup>th</sup> October.
- **School starts back-** Mon 29<sup>th</sup> October
- **Fows Halloween disco-** Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov
- **Christmas Fair-** Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Dec
- **Fows social event-** Thurs 6<sup>th</sup> Dec
- **Movie night-** Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 6.20-6.30pm start

### After School Clubs For Next Term and Contact Details

**Tuesday** - Street Dance for KS1 & 2, 3.00-4.00pm starting on Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Sep- Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Oct. Please contact the club provider for booking information. [charlotteBernard.dance@gmail.com](mailto:charlotteBernard.dance@gmail.com)

**Wednesday** - Football club 3.00-4.00pm Starting Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> Sep- Weds 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. Please contact Grass roots directly for any further information [liam@grassroots-coaching.co.uk](http://liam@grassroots-coaching.co.uk)

**Thursday – KS2 Athletics club** 3.00-4.00pm. Provisional booking dates for next term Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Sep running for 6 weeks. To express any interest please email: [OTMSport@gmail.com](mailto:OTMSport@gmail.com)

### Harvest Festival

Traditionally all children decorate or cover a shoe box (or box of similar size) at home and fill them with non-perishable items which are taken to church. Harvest Festival will be held at St Peters Church at 9.15am on Mon 8<sup>th</sup> October, children sing, read poems and prayers. If parents would like to have a coffee before the service, there will be coffee making facilities available at the church and you will be very welcome to join us, as are, carers and siblings. Please could children take their box of donations dropping them at the church on the way to school (The church will be open at 8.15am). The boxes will then be distributed between the local food bank and the elderly in the local community after the service by pupils in Years 5 & 6. Suggested donations are, tinned meats, biscuits, soups, tinned puddings etc. all would be great fully received. Thank you ☺

### School Trip Harcourt Arboretum Yr 3, 4, 5 & 6

On Weds 10<sup>th</sup> October yrs, 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be visiting the Harcourt Arboretum. The children will be doing two separate workshops, learning about the changing seasons and how trees adapt to them. We will be spending most of the day outside so please do make sure children are dressed suitably for the weather i.e., Water proofs, Sensible shoes/wellington boots and warm clothing. Letters with all the trip details will be sent out next week. Thank you.

### Privacy Notice GDPR

Each family has been sent home with a letter regarding GDPR. Please can all forms be signed and returned back to the school office. Thank you.

### Tennis Roadshow

The **Free Tennis Open Day** at the **White Horse Tennis Centre, Abingdon** will be held on **29<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.

We are hoping to have a taster session here at school for pupils in Reception-yr 3

## School Update

Congratulations to our 2018 Year 6 pupils who all did very well in the SATs taken in the summer. In addition, we are also pleased to report we have continued the good results in the end of Year 2 KS1 SATS and have demonstrated excellent progress for our reception children.

During the spring/summer terms the quality of our teachers' judgements, assessing our pupils in FS and Year 2, was confirmed as accurate following moderation from the Local Authority.

I would like to say huge thank you to all the teaching staff who worked extremely hard in ensuring the pupils achieved their best in these statutory tests.

We continue to improve our practise which is having a positive impact across the school for all our pupils. From September we bought in new teaching resources for teaching Literacy; have introduced new maths planning to establish a consistent approach across the school.

Furthermore, with input provided by the LA Primary Support Team we have received quality professional development for both teachers and teaching assistants. All of these factors are being embedded so we are confident we can deliver on providing the best education to our pupils here.

Our primary focus for us this year is to continue to build upon the strategies we started last year; ensuring more children reach their expected levels in Maths and English across the school and providing a rich varied curriculum through opportunities for pupils to succeed in non-core subjects.

### Parent Governor Election-

Call for Nominations. The governing body has a vacancy for a new parent governor. This is an excellent opportunity to contribute directly to the strategic direction for our school as a full member of the Governing body. We have already received one nomination, a reminder the closing date for any further nominations will be Mon 1<sup>st</sup> October.

### Open Mornings/Evenings Local Secondary Schools

**Fitzharrys-** Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 5.30pm-8.30pm.

**John Mason-** Open mornings- Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Sept and Weds 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 9am-12.20pm. Open evening Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Oct 5pm-8pm.

**Larkmead-** Open morning Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Sep 9am-1pm.

**Mathew Arnold-** Open evening Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 5.30pm-8pm. Open morning Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Oct 9-11.30am.

**Bartholomew-** Open mornings Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct and Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 9am-10.45am.

Please inform school if you are taking your child to any of the open days.



## School Shield achievements

**Little Gems-** Evelyn for coming into school very bravely. Great job Evelyn 😊

**Opal-** Maria for her excellent homework. Fantastic Maria 😊

**Jade-** Billy for his fantastic maths and class contribution. Great job Billy 😊

**Moonstone-** Tayla for being an excellent role model, always working hard and helping others. Well done Tayla 😊

### School Singing CD

The whole school and the junior choir have recorded a selection of hymns and songs. This wonderful CD of the children singing is available to buy from the school office. The cost is £3.50 per CD or £3.00 per CD if more is purchased. Thank you.

### FOWs Swimming Club

**Looking for swimming lessons?** The FOWS swimming club runs lessons on a Saturday morning at Radley pool. Starting at 10am, the half-hour lessons are taught by qualified teachers with swimmers working towards their 'Swim England' qualifications. Following on from the lessons there is a half-hour family swim session where you can join your children in the pool. All the children who attend this club are from our school (or ex pupils!) so it's a lovely and sociable environment to learn to swim. We have a few spaces in various groups, let us know if you're interested in coming for a taster session. Either catch one of us in the playground or email [joanne.hazell2012@gmail.com](mailto:joanne.hazell2012@gmail.com).

Finally, congratulations to our swimmers who received certificates this week!

*Have a lovely weekend.*

*Fiona Rose*  
*Head Teacher*