



Shine as Lights in the World
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Dear Parents and Carers,

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Thank you to all of the families who took the time to complete the Ofsted parent survey this week. I know your views were welcomed by the inspectors and have helped to inform the report which I look forward to sharing with you when it is published in around six weeks' time. Thank you also for the many messages of support we received during the inspection. It was a pleasure to welcome the inspectors to our school where both children and staff truly do shine as lights in the world!

Curriculum Newsletters

We are happy to share with you our latest curriculum newsletter. Each one will be linked to a different subject and will detail ways you can further enhance your children's learning in that subject at home. This week is Science! We hope you enjoy these newsletters. Let us know what you think.

Cross Country

Congratulations to the four teams we took to the partnership cross country event today. They all represented the school incredibly well and showed a huge amount of resilience to keep going even though it was a very long way to run (1500m for the year 3/4s and 2000m for the year 5/6s). In addition to the amazing sportsmanship the children showed, we must commend the year 3/4 girls' team in particular, who finished in first place, and Lucy in year 6, who came in first place! Congratulations everybody! Thank you to Mr Leader, Mrs N-G, Mrs Hollier and Mrs Williamson for accompanying the children.

Year 3 & 4 Girls' football

Children who have been chosen for the girls' football tournament next week have come home with letters today.

School Photos

Individual and sibling photos will be taken in school on Tuesday. Please make sure your child has a green cardigan / jumper / hoodie for their photo. Please note we are only able to accommodate siblings who are in our school.



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Harvest Festival

The children in Reception and KS1 (Year 1 & 2) are looking forward to our Harvest Festival at Shipton Church on Friday October 11th at 9:20. Parents from Reception and KS1 are invited to join us for the morning. The service should be 45 minutes. All children are invited to bring a donation of a non-perishable food item to support the local community food bank – Key stage 1 will take these to the church service, Key stage 2 will be able to leave their donation in the boxes at school.

Author Visit – UKS2

We are excited to announce a visit from the author, Fleur Hitchcock on Tuesday 15th October for our Year 5 and 6 children. If you have a child in Year 5 or 6, you should have received letter about the event with links to some of her books to purchase to be signed by the author on the day.

Forest School Site

This Sunday 6th October from 9:30am - 12:30pm we are planning to do some maintenance to the Forest School site and would love some help.

We'll be clearing the pond, dead hedging and laying wood chip. Please wear suitable clothing and bring garden gloves, wheelbarrows, rakes and shovels with you. We'll provide the hot chocolate and snacks! Please email the office if you are able to join us.

A message from the PTA...

We can't believe it's Friday already!

Fireworks Night - ticket sales launching on Sunday!

We've been busy behind the scenes in preparation for Fireworks Night on 2nd November and we are delighted to attach our official event poster! Tickets will go on sale online this Sunday evening via the Classlist event page - we will share a link at school on Monday too for anyone not yet signed up to Classlist! It's set to be a fantastic evening, with an even bigger display than last year and hopefully (with every luck and wish) a clear night sky full of stars! We'd absolutely love to see you there, and please invite friends and family too! All proceeds raised go to Wychwood Primary School and Shipton Cricket Club.

Chastleton House - could you bake a cake for us?

Next Saturday 12th October we are making our return, taking over the cafe at Chastleton House for the second time this year! We'll be there from 1pm - 5pm selling cakes, teas and coffees. It is our first official fundraising activity of the year, so please pop by to support us if you are in the area or send friends and family - we'd love to provide them with a generous slice of cake and a mug of tea!

We are in real need of some lovely homemade cakes and traybakes to sell during the afternoon, and would be so grateful to anyone who could bake for us! Please let Daisy know via whatsapp or text to: 07467 226640, email: wychwoodprimarypta@gmail.com! Cakes can be brought into the office next Thursday or Friday or we can collect from you/provide a drop off location on the day!

*Thank you so much as ever for your support and we look forward to bringing you more news and updates soon!
The PTA Team :)*

Dates for the Autumn Term

Date	Details	Who
8 th October	School Photographs	All
9 th October	U9 Girls Football	Selected children
10 th October	Flu Vaccinations	All
11 th October	Harvest Festival (Shipton Church) 9:20	Year 1/2 & Reception
12 th October	Teas at Chastleton House	PTA
13 th October	Oxford Junior Half Marathon	Signed up children
14 th October	U11s Football	Selected children
15 th October	Author Visit – Fleur Hitchcock	Year 5 & 6
21 st – 25 th October	International Week	All
28 th – 1 st Nov	Half Term	All
2 nd November	Fireworks Night	All
12 th & 13 th Nov	Parents’ Meetings	All
19 th November	Science Oxford visit	Year 5 & 6
29 th November	Chipping Norton Pantomime	Year 1 & 2
5 th December	FSU Nativity – 2.30pm	Reception
11 th & 12 th Dec	Key Stage 1 Nativity – 2pm	Year 1 & 2
20 th December	Christmas Service at St Mary’s Church	Year 3 & 4

Birthday Book Donations

Happy Birthday to George & Peggy (Hazel). Thank you for donating a book to your class. We hope you have a special day! If you would like to donate a book, please collect a donation sticker from the school office.



Thank you for your continuing support.

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