



NEWSLETTER

20TH JANUARY 2025

OUTSTANDING

I hope that you have now had a chance to read our Ofsted report.

Whilst there were no areas for improvement noted in the report, we will always strive to continually refine our practice.

SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS SUCCESS

The Year 5/6 Athletics team delivered a fantastic performance at the Didcot Sportshall Athletics tournament, showcasing their talent and determination. Competing against strong competition the team placed 1st overall, securing their spot in the finals in March where they will face all the top teams from across South Oxfordshire. Their sportsmanship particularly shone through - cheering on their team mates and showing support and respect for their competitors. Congratulations to all of them and many thanks to the parents who supported this team - both walking them over and shouting encouragement!



LEARNING REVIEWS MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY AND WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

The second of our learning reviews will take place immediately before half term, and you will soon receive an invitation to book the slot for your child. These are important meetings and teachers are expected to see 100% of parents. You will also receive an academic snapshot report at this meeting. All meetings will be in person, unless you request a **telephone** appointment. All meetings will last for a maximum of 10 minutes. These meetings are placed half way through the academic year and will have a focus on the academic progress of your child.

The next two weeks	
20th January	Birch Forest school
21st January	Karate taster sessions Years 3-6
22nd January	
23rd January	Year 5 presentation to parents. This will start promptly at 3pm.
24th January	Young Voices at the O2 arena (choir)
27th January	Forest school Elm Class pm NO CHOIR TODAY
28th January	
29th January	
30th January	Hampton Court Palace Trip Year 2 Year 4 Presentation to parents at 3pm
31st January	Forest school Hazel Class

Please make sure that you book your children's lunches in advance. The cut off date for booking is a THURSDAY for the next week.

There will be NO CHOIR session on Monday 27th January. Choir will resume on Monday 3rd February 2025.



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2025 Spring 1

When	who	What
20th January	Birch Class	Forest School
23rd January	Year 5	Presentation to parents. This will start promptly at 3pm.
24th January	Choir	Young Voices O2 Concert. children will leave school at 9:15am and will return around midnight
27th January	Elm Class	Forest School
30th January	Year 2	Hampton Court Palace
30th January	Year 4	Presentation to parents. This will start promptly at 3pm
31st January	Hazel Class	Forest school
3rd February	Birch Class	Forest School
6th February	Year 2	Presentation to parents. This will star promptly at 3pm
7th February	Cherry Class	Forest school
10th February	Whole school	Learning reviews
10th February	Reception	Didcot Library to visit school
10th February	Elm Class	Forest School
12th February	whole school	Learning reviews
13th February	Chestnut Class	Chestnut class starts swimming
14th February	Year 3	Rocks and Fossils workshop
14th February	Whole school	End of half term at 3:30pm. Gates open 3:25pm as usual.

2025 Spring 2

When	Who	What...
24th February	whole school	Spring 2 starts
27th February	Year 1	Great Fire of London workshop
4th March	Whole school	Roving bookshop in school
6th March	Year 3	Presentation to parents. This will start promptly at 3pm.
7th March	Whole school	Magical book character dressing up - come as a reader or a character!
10th March	Parents/carers of children with SEND	Learning Plan review meetings will be held this week
13th March	Year 1	Presentation to parents at 3pm
17th - 21st March	Year 6	Kilvrough Residential Trip
20th March	Year 2	Elizabeth 1st to visit Year 2
24th March	Year 6	Junior Citizens
25th March	Year 6	Presentation to parents. This will start promptly at 3pm.
27th March	Reception	Presentation to parents. This will start promptly at 3pm.
4th April	Acorn Class	No pre-school sessions
4th April	Whole school	End of term at 12 noon. Gates open at 11:50am

2025 Summer 1

When	Who	What...
Tuesday 22nd April	Whole school	Summer 1 starts at 8:40am
24th April	Reception	Vision Screening
30th April - 2nd May	Year 4	Year 4 Residential to PGL Liddington
1st May	Pre-school	Acorn Class to visit Earth Trust
5th May	whole school	Bank holiday
8th May	Sycamore	Sycamore Class starts swimming
12th May - 15th May	Year 6	SAT's Week
13th May	Year 5	Earth Trust visit
15th May	Year 1	Victorian Sit Up Straight workshop
19th May	Pre-school and reception	Sports afternoon 2:15pm
20th May	Whole school	Group photos
22nd May	Reception	Beale Park trip
23rd May	Years 1-6	Sports Day

2025 Summer 2

When	Who	What...
2nd June	Whole school	INSET DAY school closed to children
6th June	Year 3	Chedworth Roman Villa
25th June	Year 6	London Theatre trip - The Lion King
30th June	parents of children with SEND	Learning Plan reviews this week
4th July	Year 2	Hengistbury Head
8th and 9th July	Year 6	Transition days at Aureus School, Didcot Girls School and St Birinus
8th and 9th July	Reception to Year 5	New class days moving into their new classrooms and an opportunity to meet their new teaching teams.
15th July	Year 6	Year 6 performance 2:30pm
18th July	Acorn Class	No pre-school session