



Dear Parents/Guardians,

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Please can I remind you of the ‘rules’ for when children are allowed to be on the school grounds. NO CHILD should be in the school grounds before 8:30am (unless they are attending an early morning intervention group).

Please can you clear the school grounds between 3:30pm-3:45pm as we need to lock the school gates so that the site is secure. The only children/adults who should be on the school site after 3:30pm-3:45pm are those at school clubs, attending Magpies or attending meetings at the school. Thank you.

USE OF PRIVATE TAXI FIRMS

Did you know that several taxis firms who operate in Oxfordshire have specifically trained drivers who have undertaken Child Protection and Safeguard training?

If you do choose to send your child, unaccompanied, in a private taxi then you can ask when booking if they could send a driver who is an ‘OCC Badged’ driver. Then you will know that you child is being transported by someone trained in child protection and safe guarding. Thank you.

UNSCHEDULED MEETINGS WITH CLASS TEACHERS

If you need to talk to your child’s class teacher please can you do so at the end of the school day once the children have been dismissed between 3:30pm-4:00pm.

Seeing the teacher, unless it is an emergency, before school is not an appropriate time as they are very preparing resources and getting organised for the school day. Being unexpectedly delayed results in them being not as prepared as they need to be and then lessons can be affected. Thank you

RADIO OXFORD SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS SONGS

Well done to our children (and Mrs Claxton who has been training them for weeks!) for singing wonderfully last

week when Radio Oxford came to our school to record us performing two ‘Christmas’ songs. You will be able to hear our children singing on Radio Oxford on 21st December 2017 at 7:45am and 8:45am.

FoNKS CHRISTMAS FAYRE FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2017.

3:15PM-5:00PM

FoNKS are looking for donations for the tombola and white elephant stall being held at the Christmas Fayre.

If you have anything that you are able to donate then please bring it into school by Friday 24th November 2017 or give to Helen Benadel or Claire Winlow.

You will also see a list in each classroom for hamper donations and we will also be asking you to return the cake donation plate if possible.

Tickets to see Father Christmas, in his grotto are on sale soon from the School Office.

Thank you for your continued support with these events as the money raised always allows our children to experience even more experiences at NKS!

Thank you!

PUNCTUALITY

Children are expected to be in school by 8:45am, so that they are lined up and ready to start the school day when the bell is rung. Several children are turning up at school after 8:45am. Children who arrive after 9:00am must report to the school office. Any arrival after the close of registration (at 9.05am) has to be marked as late.

Regularly arriving late at school **WILL** have a negative impact on your child’s learning.

★ CLASS STARS OF THE WEEK! ★

Well done to the following Class Stars of the Week:

Year 1-2: Mya Benadel, Lucas Haynes & Mason Illott.

Year 3-4: Kelvin Bhatt, Maya Macfarlane & Bibi-Shirin Hakimi.

Year 5-6: Annalies Adams, Charlie Barnes & Nour Louni.

⚡ SILVER BOOK CERTIFICATE ⚡

Congratulations to following Silver Book entries: Mariyah Ahmed, Frank Joyce, Te-Lillia Mingle-Jones, Mariah Pennington & Harvey Smith.

π MATHS MAGICIANS π

Congratulations to the following Maths Magicians: Tom Beesley, Leo Cara & Harry Webb.

✍ WRITING WIZARD ✍

Congratulations to the following Writing Wizards: Maya Cobden, Lexi Dawson, Maria Dinis, Olivia Earl, Lucas Haynes, Erick Plaku, Megan Selway, Byron Smith & Emil Young.

✍ CREATIVITY AWARD ✍

Congratulations to the following Creativity Awards: Frazer Oddi & Logan Oddi.

↓ SUPER SCIENTIST AWARD ↓

Congratulations to the following Super Scientists: Bethany Adams & Hannah Jothisankar

CLASS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES (W/C 20-11-2017)

The National Average for school attendance is 96.00-97.00%

Class	Attendance (%)
Apple	95.78%
Ash	98.67%
Maple	96.90%
Oak	99.00%
Cedar	96.43%
Chestnut	93.70%
Willow	95.71%
Acer	97.24%
Beech	97.69%
Pine	94.40%
Whole School	96.57%

Well done to **Class Oak** who achieved 99.00% attendance.

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS

Foundation Stage Production – ‘A King is Born’

A letter has been sent home with your child regarding ordering tickets for these performances.

Years 1 & 2 Production – ‘A Midwife Crisis’

A letter has been sent home with your child regarding ordering tickets for these performances.

Please fill in the slips and return them to the either your child’s class teacher or the School Office. Thank you

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT – Years 3 – 6

This year the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will be performing Carols by Candlelight on Wednesday 13th December at 6 pm, on the Junior Playground (weather permitting). Children in Years 3 and 4 should meet in Willow Class and Year 5 and 6 in Acer Class at 5.45 pm.

After the singing, children will be dismissed from Acer and Willow to ensure they are escorted home safely.

FoNKS will be selling refreshments during the event.

There are no tickets for this performance so please come along and enjoy the singing. The event will be cancelled if we have bad weather.

KIDLINGTON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH ON

The Kidlington Christmas Lights Switch On will take place on 30th November 2017. Traditionally the lights go on at 7pm and we have entertainment for the hour beforehand. See advertisements around Kidlington for more information.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The children are invited to bring in and post their Christmas Cards in our postbox. The postbox will be in the Reception Area from Wednesday 6th December.

CYCLING AND SCOOTERING

Please do not allow your child to cycle or scooter on the school grounds as they could injure another pupil or adults that are walking

CALLING ALL PARENTS AND CARERS

At North Kidlington Primary School, we are very keen to increase the amount of after-school sports and healthy lifestyle clubs in school. If you have any sporting, healthy lifestyle (Zumba, Yoga, Pilates etc.) or cookery skills that you would be willing to share with our children through running an after-school club please let me know. Please note that these clubs do not have to run for the whole school year as we appreciate that your time is valuable and some clubs would be best suited to different seasons. I look forward to speaking to as many of you as possible. I can usually be found in Acer Classroom.

Thank you Ms Dallimore-Gray (PE Coordinator)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Friday 1st December 2017

FoNKS CHRISTMAS FAYRE-School Junior Hall.
3:15pm-5:00pm

Friday 8th December 2017

LAST YEAR 5/6 SWIMMING CLASS

Monday 11th-Friday 15th December 2017

CHRISTMAS JUMPER WEEK-Wear a Christmas jumper (or something ‘Christmassy’) to school (No donation)

Monday 11th December 2017

FSU CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE-Classes Red and Green Apples-Junior Hall 1:30pm and 6:00pm

Tuesday 12th December 2017

KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE-Classes Ash, Maple and Oak. Junior Hall 1:30pm and 6:00pm.

Wednesday 13th December 2017

WHOLE SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE-St Mary’s Church 1:45pm-3:00pm

CHRISTMAS PARTY AFTERNOON-Classes Red and Green Apple (Details to follow).

Y3-Y6 CANDLE LIGHT CHRISTMAS CONCERT-Junior Playground 6:00pm.

Thursday 14th December 2017

CHRISTMAS PARTY MORNING-Classes Cedar, Chestnut and Willow (Details to follow).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS (Cont..)

CHRISTMAS PARTY AFTERNOON-Classes Acer, Beech and Pine (Details to follow).

Friday 15th December 2017

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH-Details to follow

Monday 18th December 2107

CHRISTMAS PARTY MORNING-Classes Ash, Maple and Oak (Details to follow).

Tuesday 19th December 2017

END OF AUTUMN TERM 2017-1:30pm FINISH

Wednesday 20th December 2017

SCHOOL CLOSED-Christmas Holidays

Thursday 4th January 2018 AND Friday 5th January 2018

INSET DAY-School closed to ALL pupils

Monday 8th January 2018

START OF 1st HALF OF SPRING TERM-School open to ALL pupils

Gary Kemp
Head Teacher

27th November 2017

