



Silver Quality Mark 2014/15



NORTH KIDLINGTON SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER No: 12

North Kidlington School inspires and develops every individual to enjoy, achieve and succeed



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Thank you to FoNKS, Year 6 pupils and Teachers for all of their efforts made for the Christmas Fayre that took place on Friday after school. It was, as ever, very well attended. Thank you also for the class hampers, they looked fantastic and were well worth the £1.00 raffle ticket!

I am delighted to reveal that the total raised, before deductions, was an AMAZING £1010.03. Any hampers from the raffle will be delivered to your child's class so that the Class Teacher can inform you if you were a lucky winner!

CHRISTMAS PRODUCTIONS.

The Infant performances will take place on Tuesday 6th December 2016 at 1:30pm and 6:30pm.

The Foundation Stage performances will take place on Wednesday 7th December at 2:15pm and 6:00pm.

The Junior Carol Concert will take place at Gosford Hill School on Tuesday 13th December 2016 at 7:00pm. (Doors open at 6:30pm)

Please can you place your ticket requests for the Junior Christmas Concert by Wednesday. After Wednesday we will be issuing tickets to families who have asked for extra tickets. Thank you.

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER

School Christmas lunch will be served on Thursday 15th December 2016. If you have not returned the choices slip yet, please do so by Wednesday 7th December 2016, as the kitchen needs to know how many meals are needed. Thank you.

UNIFORM

Please make sure that your child takes home any of their uniform or PE kits that they have in school by Thursday 15th December 2016.

If you are planning on buying any new items of uniform in the January sales please make sure that it is in line with the uniform requirements shown in the school brochure. Thank you

LAST DAY OF TERM

SCHOOL WILL CLOSE AT 3:15PM on FRIDAY 16TH DECEMBER 2016.

§ SILVER BOOK CERTIFICATE §

Congratulations to Slade Beukes who received a Silver Book Certificate last week.

* CLASS STARS OF THE WEEK! *

Well done to the following children who were awarded Class Star of the week certificates:

Year 1-2: Leah Cann, Liliana Dawkins & Trish Jothisankar.

Year 3-4: Tom Beasley, Leighton Robbins & Tom Ward

Year 5-6: Miriam Essafri, Valentino Gunella-Gimenez & Hugo Stone.

§ WRITING WIZARD §

Congratulations to Bilal Al Haj Zen, Josh Days & Mia Smith, who received a Writing Wizard Certificate.

π MATHS MAGICIANS π

Congratulations to Maria Dinis, Alexandra Eyles, Stanley Haynes & Eden Staniszewski who received a Maths Magician Certificate.

♣ SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD ♣

Congratulations to Tom Beasley, Ethan Elston, Harry Elston, Ollie Fellows, Lila Perry-Vasquez, Aleks Nenenon-Millar, Tomi Nenenon-Millar, Jack Scurr, Mia Smith, Harry Sorbie, Alfie Walker & Mark Winterbourne, who received a Sporting Achievement Award for sporting participation outside of school.

CREATIVITY AWARD

Congratulations to Harley Baker & Arthur Rose, who received a Creativity Award.

♣ HEAD TEACHER AWARD ♣

Congratulations to Ella Joyce who received a Head Teacher Award for representing our school at the recent Oxfordshire cross country Finals. Ella ran an amazing race and came 3rd out of 70 competitors. She has now qualified to represent Oxfordshire in the county finals in March.

STAFFING UPDATE

I am very pleased to inform you that Miss Soley has told us of some very exciting news. She will be expecting a baby in the new year! An advert has been placed to find a replacement teacher to provide maternity cover while she is away from school.

I am also very pleased to inform you that Mrs Harvey will be returning as Chestnut Class Teacher after Christmas having been absent from school for the past year on maternity leave.

Mrs Harvey will replace Mrs Clarke who has been sharing the teaching responsibility with Mrs Preston since September 2016. Mrs Harvey will teach Class Chestnut from Monday-Tuesday while Mrs Preston will continue to teach from Wednesday-Friday.

I am sure that you will join me in thanking Mrs Clarke for all of her hard work will teaching at North Kidlington School and in wishing good luck in her new job. Thank you.

CLASS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES (W/C 28-11-2016)

The National Average is 97.00% and as a school we are aiming for a whole school attendance of between 96.00-97.00%

Class	Attendance (%)
Apple	94.89%
Ash	98.67%
Maple	98.00%
Oak	96.90%
Cedar	96.00%
Chestnut	96.00%
Willow	94.07%
Acer	99.26%
Beech	96.15%
Pine	94.07%
Whole School	96.36%

Well done to **Class Acer** who achieved 99.26% attendance last week.

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

POPPY APPEAL

As a school we donated a grand total of £345.08. This money will help the Royal British Legion to continue their welfare and benevolent work for past and current service men and women. Thank you for your donations.

RADIO OXFORD CAROLS

Last week the whole school sang perfectly for Radio Oxford who recorded our children singing two Christmas Carols. You should have already received a card informing you of when you will be able to hear our school singing on the Radio Oxford. Please see the Radio Oxford web-site for more information.

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE

ON-LINE SAFETY PARENT WORKSHOP.

THIS WORKSHOP WILL NOW TAKE PLACE ON WEDNESDAY 8TH FEBRUARY 2107 BETWEEN 6:30PM-7:30PM. A CHILD SITTING SERVICE, FOR NORTH KIDLINGTON CHILDREN WE BE PROVIDED, SO THAT AS MANY PARENTS AS POSSIBLE CAN ATTEND.

HEAD LICE

Please remember that you need to treat any head lice more than once if the treatment is to work.

YEAR 5-6 YOULBURY RESIDENTIAL VISIT.

There are now only SIX spaces left. Please contact the school office for more information. The cost is £151.20 for a four day and three night trip.

UNARRANGED MEETINGS

WITH CLASS TEACHERS

Please do not hold unscheduled discussions with Class Teachers at 8:45am when the school bell is rung. If you need to talk to a Class Teacher about your child please arrange to talk to them before 8:45am or after 3:15pm.

Talking to your child's Class Teacher at 8:45am **IS NOT** the correct time as the children need to go into class immediately to start their learning for the day.

SEPTEMBER 2017 PRIMARY SCHOOL

PLACES

Applications need to be completed by post or online at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions by 15th January, 2017.

SAFEGUARDING

USING CLASSROOM TOILETS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN-BEFORE/AFTER SCHOOL

Please do not use any of the classroom toilets, for young children, before or after the school day unless you have asked a member of the school staff.

If, as an adult, you do need to use the toilet then the only one that can be offered to you is the toilet in the School Reception. Thank you.

HEALTH & SAFETY

OUTDOOR PLAY EQUIPMENT

Due to the increased number in incidents of children being injured on outdoor play equipment outside of the normal school day across the County, Oxfordshire Health and Safety Department have instructed **ALL** schools to tell parents that children **MUST NOT USE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT BEFORE OR AFTER the school day** unless it is under the full supervision of school staff.

HEALTH & SAFETY-CYCLING TO SCHOOL

If your child wishes to cycle to school please ask the office for a cycling permit. If your child is riding their bicycle to school then their bike **MUST** be in a road worthy condition and they **MUST WEAR A CYCLE HELMET**. Thank you.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE: SCHOOL PARKING

Please can you take extra care when parking after school this week during the school Christmas performances and adhere to the Highway Code signage and road markings.

Please park in areas away from residential driveways (so that they can easily enter or exit their property), in areas with no restrictions or use the car park behind Tesco.

Thank you.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER WEEK (FREE EVENT)

Children will be able to wear their Christmas Jumpers to school every day next week (Monday 12th-Friday 16th December 2016). If they do not have a Christmas jumper then they can come to school with a jumper or top that they have decorated. Thank you.

KIDLINGTON SCOUTRAIL

Scoutrail will take place in January at Exeter Hall. This model railway show has been running for more than 30 years. The 2017 show promises to be another great event! See www.scoutrail.org.uk for more information.

FRIENDSHIP BAND SALE

MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2016

Three Year Four children have organised and planned to hold a fund raising event in aid of the Blue Cross charity. They have spent the last term making 300 bracelets, in their own time, which they are going to sell for 20p each. The sale will take place on Monday 12th December 2016 from 12:00-1:00pm.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday 12th-Friday 16th December 2016

CHRISTMAS JUMPER WEEK-Wear a Christmas jumper to school, **INSTEAD** of your school jumper. (**FREE EVENT**).

Tuesday 13th December 2016

Y1-2 CHRISTMAS PARTY AFTERNOON

Tuesday 13th December 2016

Y3-Y6 CHRISTMAS CONCERT-Gosford Hill School Hall 7:00pm. (Doors open at 6:30pm).

Wednesday 14th December 2016

FSU CHRISTMAS PARTY AFTERNOON

Wednesday 14th December 2016

Y1-Y6 CAROL SERVICE-St Mary's Church, Kidlington 2:00pm-3:00pm

Thursday 15th December 2016

Y3-Y4 CHRISTMAS PARTY MORNING

Thursday 15th December 2016

SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Friday 16th December 2016

END OF AUTUMN TERM 2016. **3:15pm Finish.**

Monday 19th December 2016

SCHOOL CLOSED-Christmas Holidays

Tuesday 3rd January 2017

INSET DAY-SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS

Wednesday 4th January 2017

START OF 1st HALF OF SPRING TERM

Gary Kemp
Head Teacher

28th November 2016