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NORTH KIDLINGTON SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER No: 4

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



Dear Parents/Guardians,

FONKY FRIDAY CAFÉ MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to the members of FoNKS who ran the Macmillan Coffee morning on Friday last week and to everyone who came along. It was a very busy morning and the money raised will be forwarded to Macmillan Cancer Research.

YEAR SIX SATs MEETING

There will be a meeting for ALL Year Six parents and Year Six pupils this Thursday (5th October 2017) at 6:00 pm in Class Beech. This is a very important meeting as it will contain important information about the end of Year Six Standard Assessment Tests.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The school photographer will be in school on Monday 30th October 2017. Individual/Family photographs of NKS pupils will be taken during the school day.

Photographs with siblings (who are not yet in school) will be taken from 8:15am in the school Junior Hall.

APPLE PRESSING DAY

The annual apple pressing day will take place this Saturday (7th October 2017) from 10:00am-12 Noon on the school grounds.

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)

NEW ADMISSIONS – SEPTEMBER 2018

Please make sure that applications for children starting primary school in September 2018 are completed by post or online at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions

NORTH KIDLINGTON SCHOOL- OPEN AFTERNOON

We will be holding an open afternoon for parents of children starting school in September 2018 on Wednesday 18th October 2017 in the Infant Hall from 1:30pm – 2:30pm.

BAGS-2-SCHOOL

FoNKS have organised another BAGS-2-SCHOOL collection for you to donate any old or unwanted items of 'good quality' clothing, paired shoes (tied together), handbags, bags, hats, scarves, ties, jewellery, belts or soft toys. Unfortunately they do not take bedding, towels or curtains. Please return any filled bags to school on Thursday 12th October 2017 so that they can be collected on Monday 16th October 2017 at 9:00am. Thank-you.

NKS HARVEST FESTIVAL ASSEMBLY

Thursday 12th October 2017

Once again we will be collecting donations for the North Oxfordshire Food Bank to help out people who are in need. Please send in any donations to your child's class teacher by Thursday 12th October 2017. Suggested donations list:

- Tinned (fish, meat, vegetables, fruit, custard, soup, potatoes, tomatoes, rice pudding or baked beans).
- Packets of instant mash, pasta, rice or tea.
- Cartons of pasta sauce, tomatoes, long life semi-skimmed milk or long life fruit.
- Small packets of sugar, coffee, breakfast cereals (not oats), biscuits or jams.

SCHOOL CLOSURE-A REMINDER

School will be closed to ALL pupils on Friday 13th October 2017 due to a Staff In Service Training Day. Pupils will return to school as normal on Monday 16th October 2017. Thank you.

★ CLASS STARS OF THE WEEK! ★

Well done to the following Class Stars of the Week:
Year 1-2: Kaelan Baker, Phoebe Earl & Rocco Washington.

Year 3-4: Josh Glover, Julia Ludwick & Ruby Sollis.

Year 5-6: Hettie Brown, Oliver Cobden & Vishwa Ganesh.

§ SILVER BOOK CERTIFICATE §

Congratulations to the following Silver Book achievers:
Mariah Pennington, Erick Plaku & Tomas Vreede.

π MATHS MAGICIANS π

Congratulations to the following Maths Magicians:
Leo Cara, Charlie Fidler & Holly Fox.

✍ WRITING WIZARD ✍

Congratulations to the following Writing Wizards:
Ruby Chivers & James Willis.

🏆 SPORTING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 🏆

Congratulations to the following Sports Achievers:
Alfie Bowers, Ciara Connelly, Erin Drury, Ellie Pearman, Charlie Spicer & Alice Williams,

CLASS ATTENDANCE PERCENTAGES

(W/C 25-09-2017)

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	97.11%
Ash	97.67%
Maple	96.33%
Oak	95.30%
Cedar	97.86%
Chestnut	97.73%
Willow	97.84%
Acer	100.00%
Beech	98.46%
Pine	97.60%

Whole School	97.55%
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Well done to **Class Acer** who achieved 100% attendance.

SCHOOL WEB-SITE

Please regularly look at the school web-site so that you can keep up to date with any key events taking place at school and to find internet links or information that can help you to support your child's learning at home. The web-site address is: <http://www.north-kidlington.oxon.sch.uk/>
Thank you

HOLIDAYS/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Any Holidays taken during term time will be unauthorised unless they are for exceptional circumstances. (Unauthorised absences could result in the issuing of fixed penalty notices and fines by the County Council). If you wish to make a request for any absence please collect a request form from the office.

CONTACT DETAILS

Please can you make sure that the School Office has your current contact details as it is very important that we have this information so that you can be contacted easily. Especially in the event of an emergency. Thank you

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

If your child is ill please inform the school office on the first day of absence either by telephoning 01865 372607, by ParentMail or by e-mail office.2357@north-kidlington.oxon.sch.uk. Any child whose attendance falls below 85% will automatically receive an attendance letter.

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.

FoNKS AGM

Please come along to the Annual General Meeting of FoNKS, which will be held in school on **Monday 9th October at 7pm.**

In the last academic year, Friends of North Kidlington School (FoNKS) raised nearly £9,000. This is the most that has ever been raised and this is down to our parents, their families and friends coming along to our many fundraising events held during the year.

Money raised by FoNKS has helped all the children at North Kidlington School in various ways; for the playground markings, subsidy towards school trips, acting on the stage, using the iPads, using sports equipment, watching the chicks hatch and grow, playing on the pirate ship, reading books, using the drama equipment, singing along with the music on the new sound system and many more things.

To make FoNKS a successful fundraising team it is reliant on having the support of all parents / carers not necessarily at all meetings, but during the events. Last year we were on the verge of cancelling many events, due to lack of support.

Even if you cannot attend the AGM next Monday or subsequent meetings, but you would be interested in joining the committee or helping at events, please e-mail us fonspta@gmail.com with your details. We can then contact you when our events are coming up. Every little helps, this is absolutely true and even though you may only be able to spare an hour over the year, this makes a massive difference and allows the work to be shared.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 9th October at the AGM.

The FoNKS Committee

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 7th October Apple Day-10:00am-12 Noon

Monday 9th October FoNKS AGM 7pm

Thursday 12th October Harvest Festival-We will be collecting food donations for the Food Bank again this year.

Friday 13th October SCHOOL INSET DAY-School closed to ALL pupils.

Monday 16th-Friday 20th October Year 5/6 Assessment Week.

Wednesday 18th October Open Afternoon for parents of children starting Primary School in September 2018. 1:30pm-2:30pm-School Infant Hall and School Tour.

Friday 20th October End of 1st Autumn Half Term

Monday 23rd-Friday 27th October Half-Term-School closed to ALL pupils

Monday 30th October Start of 2nd Autumn Half-Term-School Open to ALL pupils.

Gary Kemp
Head Teacher

4th October 2017