



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Spring is almost upon us and I think that the rain is proof of that! Please still send your child to school with a coat and outdoor PE kit.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mrs Heather Williams (Lunch Time Supervisor) who gave birth on Monday 12th March 2018 to a healthy baby boy. Congratulations also go to Mrs Hosier who is Mrs Williams Mother-In-Law who is now a very proud first time granny!

COMPETITION WINNER

A big thank you goes to Mrs Pritchard (Aidan's Mum). She entered the school into a competition and won two copies of Simply Good Bread by Peter Sidwell. Aidan will be presenting these to Mrs Rice and our Cooking Club. The books will also be used by some of the classes when bread making projects arise. Thank you.

FoNKS MOTHER'S DAY GIFT WRAPPING DAY

A huge **THANK YOU** to all of the FoNKS members who helped to wrap Mother's Day presents on Friday so that the children of NKS could give their 'Mums' a surprise gift on Sunday! I hope that you enjoyed the day?

CLASS ATTENDANCE (W/C 05-03-2018)

National Average school attendance is 96.00-97.00%

Class	%	Class	%
Apple	64.89%	Chestnut	92.59%
Ash	95.67%	Willow	97.14%
Maple	91.38%	Acer	88.67%
Oak	92.00%	Beech	97.14%
Cedar	96.07%	Pine	95.20%
Whole School	89.57%		

Well done to **Beech Class and Willow Class** who both achieved 97.14 % attendance.

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 absences please collect a request form from the office.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

If your child is ill please inform the school office on the first day of absence, either by telephone, e-mail or Parent Mail. Any child whose attendance falls below 85% will automatically receive an attendance letter.

Expected attendance is 96.00% because good attendance will help to improve your child's learning.

The school bell is rung at 8.45 a.m. Children are expected to be ready to go into class to begin early morning work.

IMPACT OF REGULARLY ARRIVING LATE FOR SCHOOL

Minutes late per day during the school year	Is the equivalent of missing:
5 minutes	3.4 days
10 minutes	6.9 days
15 minutes	10.3 days
20 minutes	13.8 days
30 minutes	20.7 days

SICKNESS (VOMITTING) AND DIARRHOEA

If your child is unwell due to sickness (vomiting) or diarrhoea it is vital that you inform the school office.

Any person who is absent from school due to sickness (vomiting) or diarrhoea should not return to school until they have had 48 hours free from any level of vomiting or diarrhoea. Thank you

BIRTHDAY SWEETS

Please make sure that you send in only one sweet per child and do not send in hard boiled sweets or chewy

sweets like Refreshers, whams, etc. Please only send in sweets of a jelly variety or soft chewy sweets like Maoams or chocolate. Thank you.

OXFORD MAIL OX5 RUN – Sunday 25th March 2018

Miss Claxton and her daughter Matilda are participating in the OX5 Run at Blenheim Palace on Sunday 25th March, to raise money for the Oxford Children's Hospital. Matilda's best friend Anna has been undergoing treatment at the John Radcliffe Hospital for the last 12 months and they are hoping to raise as much money as possible for this amazing place. If you would like to make a donation through:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/zoelclaxton>

or alternatively through the school office. Thank you.

CYCLING TO SCHOOL

If your child cycles to school then they **MUST** ask for a cycle permit from the School Office; **MUST** have a road worthy bicycle and **MUST WEAR A CYCLE HELMET.** Thank you.

★ CLASS STARS OF THE WEEK! ★

Well done to the following Class Stars of the Week:

FSU: Riley Mitchell & Carla Buda.

Year 1-2: Layla Mohamoud Hirabe, Finn Reddan & Tomas Vreede.

Year 3-4: Joshua Elston, Paige Brogden & Stanley Haynes

Year 5-6: Jake Evans, Naya Nader & Aidan Phipps

⌘ SILVER BOOK CERTIFICATE ⌘

Congratulations to following Silver Book entries:
Helena Screnock & Hamza Ahmed.

WRITING WIZARD

Congratulations to the following Writing Wizards:
Livia Baxhaku, Aarav Sidhu, Barney Cullum-Birtwistle, Henry Winlow, Helena Screnock & Kyle Lowes.

π MATHS MAGICIANS π

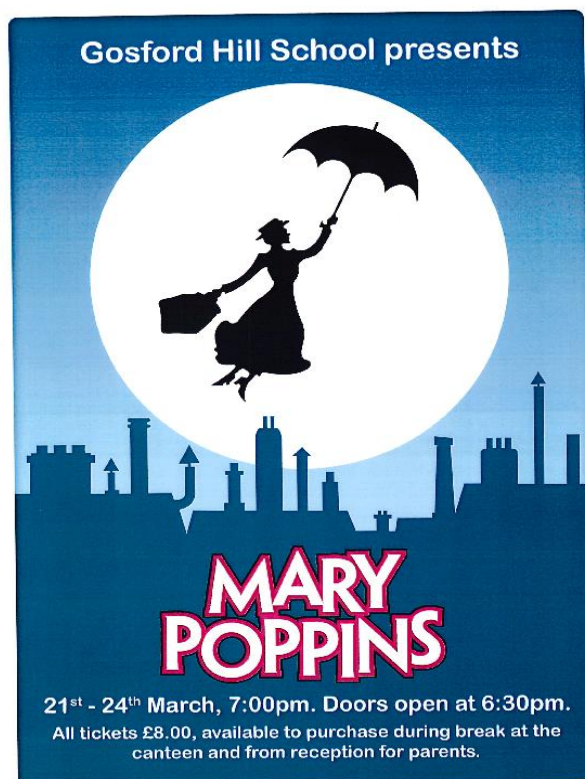
Congratulations to the following Maths Magicians:
India Nye & Charlie Spicer.

CLASSES GREEN & RED APPLES (FSU)
COMMUNICATIONS

Please feel free to talk to any member of the FSU Staff when you drop your child off at school if you have a message of any nature to pass on. It is very important for FSU Staff to know what has happened at home (positive or negative) so that they can support your child while they are at school. Thank you.

Gosford Hill School Drama Production – Mary Poppins

This year Gosford Hill School will be performing “Mary Poppins” on 21st – 24th March at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend, tickets are available from Gosford Hill School Reception for £8.



JOB VACANCIES

NKS CLEANER (MATERNITY COVER)

We currently have a cleaning job vacancy, with an immediate start, to cover maternity leave. Please contact the School Office for more information.

BURSAR-CHARLTON-ON-OTMOOR CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Charlton-On-Otmoor currently have a vacancy for a part time bursar (Grade 8/ 10 depending on experience) for one to two days a week. If you would like to find out more then please contact:

Ms A. Morgan, Head teacher, Charlton-on-Otmoor C E Primary School, Fencott Road, Kidlington, OX5 2UT.
01865 331239

Easter Lunch – Wednesday 28th March

Please note there will be a change to the published lunch menu. On Wednesday 28th March, Mrs Rice and her team will be cooking a delicious Easter Lunch as shown below. The cost of a school lunch is £2.20.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 13th-14th March 2018 Class Apples Parent Consultations

Monday 19th March 2018-Class Apples School Trip to Farmer Gow's

Monday 19th-21st March 2018-Parent Consultations

Tuesday 20th March 2018-Class Apples School Eye Tests

W/C Monday 19th March 2018-Sports/Comic Relief
(Including Red Nose Day (Details to follow))

Wednesday 21st-22nd March 2018-LKS2 Tudor Workshops

Thursday 22nd March 2018-EFYS and Yr 6 NCMP Height and Weight measuring (See previously sent home letter for more information).

Tuesday 27th March 2018-Class Apples Stay 'n' Play (8:45am-9:15am)

Wednesday 28th March 2018-FoNKS Easter Cake Sale

Thursday 29th March 2018-End of Spring 2nd Half-Term-3:15pm Finish

Friday 30th March 2018-Good Friday-School Closed

Monday 2nd-Friday 13th April 2018-Easter Holiday-School Closed.

Monday 16th April 2018-Start of Summer 1st Half Term-School open to all pupils.

Gary Kemp
Head Teacher

Monday 12th March 2018

