



North Kidlington Primary School Newsletter



Nurturing Potential, Growing Success

Key Dates

July

1st—2025 New Starters Open Afternoon

2nd—5th—Y4 Bushcraft Residential

8th—2025 New Starters Stay & Play Session

12th—Summer Fayre (11-2pm)

14th & 15th—Year 5/6 Play

16th—Changeover Morning (new classes)

17th—Fresh Start Catering event

22nd—Year 6 Leavers Assembly

22nd—End of Term (1.30pm finish)

25th—Volunteer Day

[Term dates can be found here \(This is a link\)](#)

The Burrow

Calm, caring and fun before and after school provision.



Dear all,

Wow, what can I say! It's been such a busy term filled with fun trips, sporting events and in school activities, I have struggled to find time to communicate everything that has been happening with you! With our year 4s currently off on their Bushcraft Residential this week, I need to let you know about the final few events coming up before the summer holidays.

Summer Fayre

Please see the attached message from FoNKS regarding the Summer Fayre. This is such a huge event in our school calendar and an opportunity for the school community to celebrate the end of the year and have some fun! They are still looking for volunteers so please do sign up if you have a spare half hour. It is sure to be a day filled with laughter so please make sure not to miss it. Here are the timings for the main entertainment:

- * 11.15am: Mary-Ella Dance
- * 11.50am: NKS 'Choir'
- * 12.30pm: Apple Class Dance
- * 1.15pm: Maypole Dancing
- * 1.45pm: Raffle



Volunteer Day

At the end of a school year, our classrooms and site usually like a little 'tired' and in need of a break from enthusiastic children... This year, we are super thankful to an amazing parent, Mr Biggers, who will be bringing a team of volunteers in on Friday 25th July to help paint the UKS2 Classrooms. This will really help to brighten up the learning environment for our older children.

As there is a never-ending 'to-do' list of building and site maintenance jobs to complete around the school, I will also be on-site on the 25th July and would like to invite any other parents and families to join me in fixing, painting gardening and generally 'sprucing up' the school. The site will be open from 9am until mid/late afternoon so please come along if you have some spare time.



If you want to read
our new play policy
you can find it
[here](#).

Sporting Superstars



Back in May, both our superstar U9 and U11 Girls Football teams reached the County Finals. Our U9s played brilliantly and were runners up but we must recognise the huge achievement of our U11 team who are now officially the best U11 schools team in Oxfordshire! Well done to Ayla, Megan, Safi, Maria, Annabel, Milana and Eva!

Sports Week

What a super week we had weather-wise to enjoy the games, competitions and races to promote our School Games Values of determination and Team-work. The colour team points are being combined from the races afternoons and Friday morning carousel and I will be announcing the winners next week...

OPAL Stay & Play

Thank you to everyone who managed to escape from work commitments to join us for our very first OPAL Stay & play session last Friday. We do hope you enjoyed playing with the children and seeing the ever-expanding number of activities that we are providing on the playground. OPAL is such an important part of our lunchtimes at NKS and in addition to teaching children key important skills such as problem solving and resilience, it sparks so much creativity and imagination. I

f you are feeling inspired, please watch [this video](#) to see OPAL play in action in another school. We will also put another date in the diary in September to have another Stay & play session. A big thank you to Mr Leach, Mrs Brown and Mrs Bonner who have headed up our OPAL lunchtime changes. We really appreciate your extra hard work!



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JOIN THE JUNIOR PARKRUN FAMILY

WALK, JOG, RUN, VOLUNTEER

or simply come and watch – it's up to you!

FAMILY-FRIENDLY 2K EVENT

Every Sunday morning

FOR 4 – 14 YEAR OLDS

Adults can join in with the kids too

EVERYONE WELCOME

Walk, jog, hop, skip or jump – it's up to you!

FREE AND EASY TO TAKE PART

No special kit needed – wear whatever you like

HAVE FUN BEING ACTIVE

Share high fives and big smiles!

MAKE FRIENDS

Meet lots of new people

LEARN NEW SKILLS

Kids and adults can volunteer in lots of roles

FEEL HAPPY AND PROUD

Try your best and celebrate your achievements

Park Hill Recreation Ground Junior parkrun

Starts at 9:00 am, every Sunday morning at:

Park Hill Recreation Ground (off Benmead Road), Kidlington, OX5 2DB.

Register your child for free at www.parkrun.org/register and bring their unique barcode with them.

For more information, check our Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/parkhillrecreationgroundjuniors or email us at:
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