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Dear Parents and Carers,

Saturday 4th December 2021

Thank you to parents for their support through this week, linked to our re-introduction of face masks for parents and staff whilst on site. This decision was made following a review of Governmental and Local Authority guidance to help keep children, parents and staff safe at this time. These arrangements will continue up till the end of term in school.

A review will be completed during the Christmas holidays, drawn from Local Authority guidance, from review of rates of COVID in the Cherwell area and also from any Governmental updates we receive. Arrangements for the start of the Easter Term in school will then be emailed out early in the New Year. Thank you very much for all your continued support.

Nut Free School

We are a nut-free school. Thank you for your support with this.



Our Year 5 and 6 children thoroughly enjoyed their Victorian day at Holdenby House on Tuesday. The children learnt about all the roles that a servant would perform in a Victorian house and worked with many different artefacts during the day. The children's approach to the day was fantastic, with great confidence and knowledge shared and excellent support for each other demonstrated. I do hope that the children really enjoyed this day's experience.

On Wednesday afternoon, our Year 5 sports leaders worked very hard to teach hockey skills to the Year 2 children. Linking up together outside, the sports leaders organised a range of different activities for the children to enjoy. The children impressed me greatly, with their ability to lead and support the younger children. Across both classes, we do have some very talented hockey players in the making! If children do want to extend and develop their hockey skills outside school, please visit <https://www.banburyhockeyclub.co.uk/> who have a range of junior sections that children might enjoy.

On Friday, we were very pleased to welcome Mike Wakeford into school from the Canal and River Trust. Mr Wakeford, worked with Year 3 and 4 children, to help support their curriculum work about rivers. The children learnt about personal safety around canals and waterways, along with potential hazards. Each class then took a trip out of school to explore different features on the canal. During the day, the children also learnt about river courses, creating their own river in school! Please can I pass on my thanks to Mrs Allcroft and Mr Johnson for their support for the children during this day in school.

Cropredy Hedge Project – Saturday 11th December

The Woodland Trust have delivered 210 whips (about 30cm high) for Cropredy's conservation/environment project. These whips will be planted to grow into a new hedge at the new cricket ground in Cropredy.

If any families would like to help with the planting of this hedge, please visit Cropredy Cricket Club on **Saturday 11th December at 10am**, meeting at the new sports pavilion - whatever the weather.

The organisers have asked that families who are going to help plant the whips take spades along with them to the Cricket Club.

PTA Big Christmas Raffle

We are excited to join The Big PTA Christmas Raffle. After the last 18 months, we are determined to get our fundraising back on track and this is an opportunity to have some fun and raise money for our school.



For every ticket purchased, you will have 12 chances to win up to £5,000! At the same time, we will raise 50% from every ticket sold supporting our PTA.

It's a fantastic way to bring parents, carers, teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our PTA, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children – we aim to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment, as well as run extracurricular activities such as music, art and sport.

Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

<https://www.bigptaraffle.co.uk/support/friends-of-cropredy-church-of-england-primary-school-ox17>

Next Week in School

After School Club Programme

Our After School Club programme has now finished for the term; I hope that the children enjoyed the clubs that they took part in.

We will now start organising our club programme that will begin in January. If any parents are interested in helping out at a club, please contact the school office.

Monday:

- Year 3 and Year 4 Physical Education lessons

Wednesday:

- Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 Physical Education lessons
- Forest School for Year 1

Thursday:

- Cygnets and Year 1 Physical Education lessons.
- Forest School for Year 2

Friday:

- Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5 Physical Education lessons
- Forest School for Cygnets

Golden Rules and House Points

Golden Rules Stars this Week

Very well done to these children who have shown clear understanding and great application of our Golden Rules.

Imogen D, Amelia P, Lucy B, Ella F, Fran J-S, Nicholas W, Rosie D, Jimmy D, Reenie B, Toby K, Charlie A, James H, Henry H and Freddy S.

House Points

House Points Totals			
Sycamore	Willow	Oak	Chestnut
890	905	920	893

Stars of the Week

Aria R for her confident participation in our nativity rehearsals.

Thea S for her great phonics work this week.

Ruth A for working confidently by herself to write sentences, using exclamation marks.

Reuben C for writing great sentences, using correct punctuation.

Sophie K for using good mathematical skills and strategies when counting in 3's.

Theo K for writing a very clear set of instructions of how to get to the Church in Cropredy.

Finn B for great efforts in his Maths work and showing huge improvements in the presentation of his work.

Rory M for great perseverance in his topic work and creating a fantastic timeline.

Imogen F for fantastic vocabulary development when writing similes.

Charlie B for excellent attention to detail when sketching mountains.

Georgia P for showing great understanding in her History work about Victorian servants.

Felicity P for working very hard in class, showing a confident approach to help her develop and move her learning on.

Molly D for working incredibly hard through the week; molly has also made great contributions to the whole class, support their learning about the Victorians.

Harry VdG for being brave and insightful with his own learning as well as showing confidence to challenge others' opinions in the class.

I wish you all an enjoyable weekend

Yours sincerely

Phil Goldsworthy

*Attached to the Newsletter:
Mental Health Support Team December Newsletter*