

School News

Friday 8th December 2023 Issue 13



66 John the Baptist appeared; he proclaimed this message...: 'Repent, for the kingdom of Heaven is close at hand.' 99 Matthew 3:1-2

Merciful God.

You sent John the Baptist to preach repentance.

Forgive us for the times when we have done wrong,

when we have hurt other people

and damaged our earth.

Lead us to make a change

to live differently, preparing a way

and making your paths straight.

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Message from the Headteacher

On Tuesday, the Reception children performed their Nativiy, 'It's A Baby', to their parents and family (not a dry eye in sight). I would just like to say a huge thank you, to both the children and the staff for all their hard work.

Key Stage Two choir thoroughly enjoyed visiting residents at Watson Place to sing Christmas songs and carols on Tuesday. Afterwards, we chatted together over a welldeserved squash and biscuits, sharing stories about our hopes and plans for Christmas.

On Wednesday, our generous PTA funded a whole school trip to The Theatre to see a performance of 'Cinderella.' The children had a wonderfully action-packed, fun-filled morning at the show and came back full of excitement.

It was a packed house for Year 1 and 2 Nativity performances of "It's a Miracle" on Thursday afternoon and evening. The children were beaming as they sung, acted and danced their hearts out in front of their proud families. I am pleased to report that the baby Jesus was delivered on time by the postman and the donkey managed to get some rest after his very long journey from Bethlehem!

On Thursday, Year 6 were invited to watch a performance of The Addams Family performed by Chipping Norton School's drama students. A wonderful time was had by all.

Skylar and Nancy in Year 5 represented the school last weekend at the BGSA South Regional Schools Trampoline Championships. They gave their all at this very competitive event, well-done girls.

Our Key Stage 2 Carol Service is taking place in the church on Thursday 14th at 1.45pm and 6.00pm. We ask that the children are back in school at 5.30pm for the evening performance.

If you would like to order a Reception, KS1or KS2 DVD or download, we have set up a payment item on ParentPay. The DVDs should be available during the last week of term

Next Tuesday is going to be a very busy day at school. At 9.10am, Year 3 will be performing their Christingle Assembly. Year 3 parents are welcome to join us for the assembly and refreshments afterwards. Also, not only is it Christmas jumper day, but we will be having our Christmas lunch (don't forget your cracker) and class parties. Reception and KS1 may come to school in their Christmas party clothes and KS2 can wear their jumpers with their normal uniform.

Have a wonderful weekend.



to the following pupils who received special awards this week:

Reception - Nola, Lucas, Ava

Year 1 – Summer, Eve, Whole Class

Year 2 – Jessica, Kyle, Whole Class

Year 3 - Arthur, Kiara, Minnie

Year 4 – Karolina, Max, Clemmie

Year 5 – Sam, Belle, Carter

Year 6 - Iris, Cayzer, Daisy





This Week In Pictures













DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Dates for Autumn Term	
Monday 11 th December	KS1 Choir Singing at Willow Gardens (NEW)
Tuesday 12 th December	Year 3 Christingle Assembley - 9am
	Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day - Bring a Cracker
Thursday 14 th December	KS2 Carol Concert - 1.45pm & 6pm
Monday 18 th December	KS2 Choir Singing at Willow Gardens (NEW)
Tuesday 19 th December	Whole School End of Term Mass (NEW)
Tuesday 19 th December	School Closes at 12.05pm for Christmas
Monday 8 th January	Spring Term Begins
Tuesday 9 th January	Beginning of Term Mass
Wednesday 17 th January	Swimming Gala
Wednesday 24 th January	Year 1 & 2 Trip - Oxford Jewish Congregation
Thursday 25 th January	Year 3 & 4 Trip - Shri Swaminarayan Mandir
Wednesday 31st January	U11 Hockey Tournament
Wednesday 7 th February	Year 4 Ball Skills Tournament
	Reception & Year 6 Height and Weight Checks
Monday 12th February	Half Term Holiday
Thursday 22 nd February	Chair of St Peter Mass
Tuesday 26 th March	The Tuesday in Holy Week Mass
Thursday 28th March	School Closes at 12.05pm for Easter
Tuesday 16 th April	Beginning of Term Mass
Wednesday 9 th May	Ascension Day Mass

Just a Reminder . . .

Families wishing to apply for Reception places for next September need to complete the online application via the Oxfordshire County Council Admissions website by January 15th, 2024.