



## Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today, our KS2 children took part in the City and West Oxfordshire U9 and U11 Cross Country finals. Despite the cold chill at Chesterton this morning, the children demonstrated determination and were pleased with their respective finishes. A huge congratulations to Mimi who finished 4<sup>th</sup> in the U9 Girls' and Max who came 6<sup>th</sup> in the boys' U9 race. All children represented the school well and were praised for their excellent demonstration of the School Games Values.

Yesterday the Cotswold Stage School came in to deliver two very exciting morning workshops to Years 3, 4 and 5. The children started with singing and acting lessons from the talented and enthusiastic Claire Bradshaw of Radley School and the finale was an exhilarating and very dramatic performance of "Revolting Children!" from the show Matilda. It brought the school to a halt, with Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 stopping what they were doing to watch. If any children are inspired to join the Stage school, they now use Chipping Norton School hall and details can be found on their website.

As you know it was Mother's Day last Sunday and Reception class put on a wonderful and emotional Mother's Day assembly. They painted pictures of their mummies and gave them each a flower, there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

On Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>, Years 2 and 3 were invited up to CNS to take part in Multi-Skills which formed part of the CNS Sports Leaders final assessment. They were welcomed into the school and split into three teams where they then took part in a range of sports which challenged their hand-eye co-ordination, team work and ball handling skills. The children enjoyed the afternoon and were delighted with their sunny walk up to top school.

Last week, seven members of Year 6 took part in the County final for U11s hockey at Radley School in Oxford. Out of the 8 schools there, They came 4<sup>th</sup> overall and the team was praised for their skill and great sportsmanship.

Also last week, two talented artists spent the day with us, engaging each class in a fantastic art workshop teaching the children how to work with charcoal. Each pupil learnt a range of stylistic techniques and finished by creating their own bird artwork.

What a busy fortnight we have had!

### GUINNESS WORLD RECORD HOLDERS

We are thrilled to announce that our world record attempt for the largest ever game of musical bumps, in collaboration with BBC Radio Oxford and over 70 Oxfordshire schools, was successful! Congratulations to all the children and staff that took part, and in particular our winner, Ingrid – well done! Thank you to all families that gave generously to the fundraising, we raised £204.50. Thank you also to the Junior Leadership Team for their tireless efforts in helping to organise and run activities through the day.

### ART GALLERY

Prizes are being awarded for our Spring Art competition next Thursday, and the art will be displayed in the entrance and hall next Friday (8<sup>th</sup> April). Parents are welcome from 11:45am to come and look at the artworks before they collect their children. The PTA will also be holding a tuck shop so, don't forget your pennies!

Each year, the year 6 children plan, make and sell a range of items for their Entrepreneur project. The profit made from these sales will go to a chosen charity. This year, the children will be selling items periodically throughout the remainder of the year and next Friday, (8<sup>th</sup> April), they will be starting their project by selling raspberry/strawberry plants and greetings cards in the hall from 11:45.

Finally, just to remind you that we will be breaking up at 12.05pm next Friday and the final session of HT Active will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

## The Prayer

For flowers that bloom about our feet;  
For tender grass, so fresh, so sweet;  
For song of bird, and hum of bee;  
For all things fair we hear or see,  
Father in heaven, we thank You!

For blue of stream and blue of sky;  
For pleasant shade of branches high;  
For fragrant air and cooling breeze;  
For beauty of the blooming trees,  
Father in heaven, we thank You!

Amen



## 'Well Done'

*to the following pupils who received  
special awards last week:*

**Reception – Ernie, Annabelle**

**Year 1 – Milan, Harris, Hannah**

**Year 2 – Joel, Attilio, Whole Class**

**Year 3 – Grace, Isla, Sam**

**Year 4 – Frankie, Daisy, Ruben**

**Year 5 – Millie, Freddie, Maia**

**Year 6 – Evie, Fin, Max**



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*to the following pupils who received  
special awards this week:*

**Reception – Jessica, Remi**

**Year 1 – Brooklyn, Izzy, Arthur**

**Year 2 – Alfie, Clemmie, Dexter**

**Year 3 – Lincoln, Georgia, Skylar**

**Year 4 – Daniel, Mathilda, Lily-Mae**

**Year 5 – Freya, Florence, Daniel**

**Year 6 – Ned, Samson, Anna**



## Cross-Country Finalists



## Musical Theatre Workshop



## Yr 2 & 3 Ball Skills



## Art Workshop



## Our Hockey Finalists



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Dates for Spring Term</b>	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Year 6 Beam House residential meeting 3.05pm (NEW)</b>
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Yr 3 & 4 Easter Production – Resurrection Rock 1.30pm and 6pm
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Easter Mass (NEW)</b>
	<b>Easter Egg Raffle (NEW)</b>
	School Closes for Easter at 12.05pm
	PTA Tuck Shop
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Forest School Begins (NEW)</b>
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Year 4 Trip to the Living Rainforest (NEW)</b>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Band Night
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Teas at Chastleton House
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs Week
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 6 Beam House Residential
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Yr 4 Pottery Workshop at CNS (NEW)</b>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Queen's Platinum Jubilee Garden Party (NEW)</b>
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	Break up for Half Term
	PTA Tuck Shop
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	School's Discretionary Bank Holiday for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Festival of Voices at Dorchester Abbey (NEW)</b>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Sports Day &amp; Picnic Lunch (Back up day 24<sup>th</sup>) (NEW)</b>
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Summer Fayre
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Yr 4 Everdon Residential
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Year 6 Transition Day at CNS (NEW)</b>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	<b>Whole School Move up Day &amp; Opportunity to Meet New Class Teachers from 3pm (NEW)</b>
	<b>Year 6 Transition Day at CNS (NEW)</b>
	PTA Disco
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	PTA Teas at Chastleton House
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Day to Create Art Day (NEW)</b>
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Childrens' Reports Going Out (NEW)</b>
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Year 6 End of School Production (NEW)</b>
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Full Governing Body Meeting (NEW)</b>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>End of Term Mass &amp; Year 6 Memories (NEW)</b>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	School Closes for Summer at 12.05pm
	PTA Tuck Shop & Uniform Sale