



West Kidlington
Primary & Nursery School
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WEST KIDLINGTON NEWS

Dear Families

The final week of term has nearly finished. I think everyone connected with school needs a good rest. I realise that this is not straight forward for all families. If you could encourage children to continue reading during half term, we would be grateful. Please praise them if they are reading independently. We have had a good reminder of the importance of taking care of our mental health. Connecting with others, eating healthy foods, exercise, learning and noticing are all strategies that we promote.

Our **Resilience** strategy for February has focused on the power of yet...

I can't do that ...**YET**
I don't know ... **YET**
I am not good at this ... **YET**
I don't understand this ...**YET**

Try using this language at home. It could really help!

If your child is poorly and not at school you can still access **free school meals**. Please contact the school office if you need help with this.

World Book Day

World Book Day is on the 6th March. Children are invited to dress as a character from a book - this is optional. Please have a look at the website for some low cost ideas. <https://www.worldbookday.com/celebrate-world-book-day/dressing-up/>

Drinking in school

Please ensure that only water is put into your child's water bottles. If any family has huge concerns with request, please talk to me individually.

Can you help our Reception Class?

If you have a pet **mouse**? Would you be able to bring in your pet in order for the children to observe a real mouse.

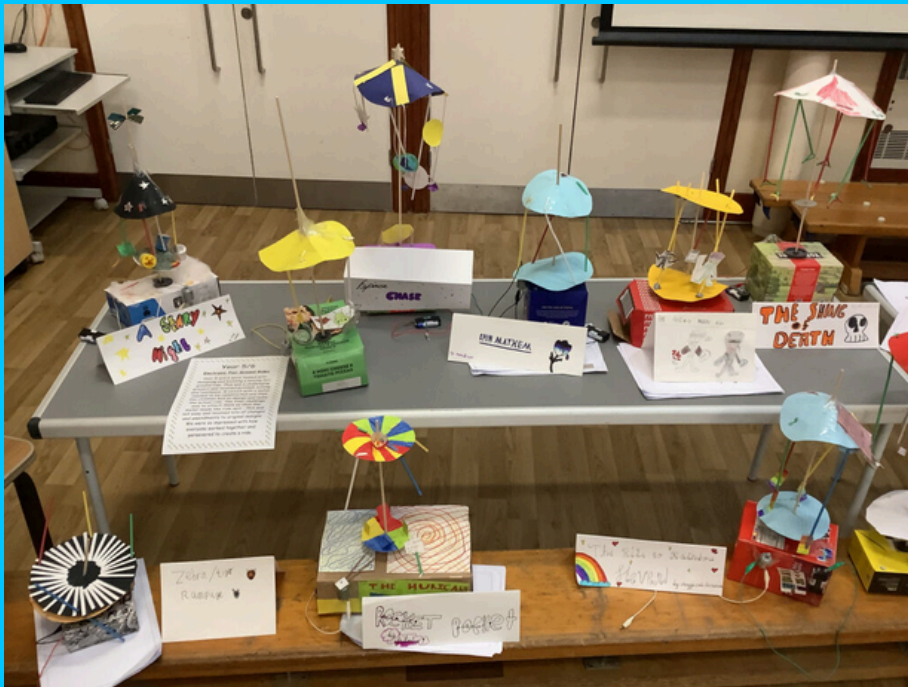
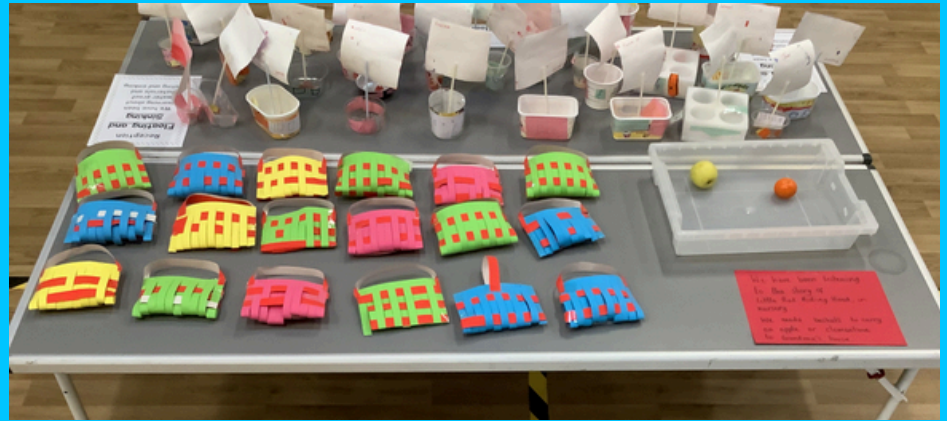
If you can help please message Mrs Longhurst hlonghurst@west-kidlington.oxon.sch.uk Thank you!



Important Dates

14th Feb - Valentine's Day cake sale
3rd & 5th March - Parents Evening
6th March - World book Day
21st March - Red Nose Day
26th March - Mother's Day Teas

DT celebration - February 2025



Thank you for supporting your child this week and coming to look at the school's attainment. Another productive DT week.



School Garden update

Last week some of the older children got involved in spreading more woodchips over the pathways in the School Garden. They loved scooping up the woodchips, putting them into a wheelbarrow and then tipping it out and spreading onto the paths. They showed great teamwork and energy, and it was brilliant to see some new faces in the garden.

On 20th March we shall be celebrating World Frog Day in the School Garden! We shall be building our new student-designed frog abode/Toad Hall, learning about the lifecycle of the frog and making jumping origami frogs.

We were proud to take part in the Big Schools' Birdwatch and received a School for Nature certificate signed by Sir David Attenborough for doing so. We are hoping that the number of birds visiting the garden will increase thanks to the children regularly topping up the bird food and us planting and planning with wildlife in mind.

If you would like to get involved with community gardening in Kidlington, Kidlington Growing Spaces will be in the community garden space in Park Hill Recreation Ground from 10am to 12pm on Saturday 15th February. They will be planting a native hedgerow with Wild Oxfordshire.

After half term we are looking forward to being able to do lots more in the garden and sowing more seeds to include flowers and vegetables. If you want to find out more or are able to come along and get involved, please contact the school office.

If you are able to, we would still very much like to receive donations of a leaf rake, seed compost, children's gloves and kneeling pads.



Oxford City Football Club

We're excited to invite you, your pupils and their families to experience some live football at Oxford City Football Club over the next few months ! As part of our ongoing commitment to the local community, we are offering free tickets to your school and community for both our Men's and Women's First Team games.

We would love for your students, staff, and families to come along and enjoy the matches at no cost. It's a fantastic opportunity to inspire young football fans, support local sport, and enjoy a great day out.

The poster above has all the details.

To redeem the tickets please scan the QR code at the bottom of the poster and use code FREESCHOOL to attend up to 5 games at no cost for any league game between now and the end of the season. We'd love to see as many of you as possible cheering on Oxford City FC! *Please note – Cup games are not included

Mr Latham has started a running club on Thursdays at lunchtime. If your child would like to join in, they need to bring a spare change of shoes and shorts/joggers with them please.

COMING UP
AT OXFORD CITY

FEBRUARY

-  **ISUZU FA TROPHY ROUND OF SIXTEEN**
OXFORD CITY
FOREST GREEN ROVERS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **SOUTHERN REGIONAL WOMEN'S LEAGUE**
OXFORD CITY
ASCOT UNITED
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2 - 2PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
MARINE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 - 7:45PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
LEAMINGTON
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **SOUTHERN REGIONAL WOMEN'S FOOTBALL LEAGUE**
OXFORD CITY
WOODLEY UNITED
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - 2PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **OXFORDSHIRE WOMEN'S CUP**
OXFORD CITY
EASINGTON SPORTS
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 - TBC - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
SCUNTHORPE UNITED
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
CHESTER
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 - 7:45PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM

MARCH

-  **TOWN V GOWN FOOTBALL MATCH**
TUESDAY, MARCH 4 - THE MGROUP STADIUM
WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM vs OXFORD UNIVERSITY - 4:30PM
MEN'S FIRST TEAM vs OXFORD UNIVERSITY - 7:45PM
-  **OXFORD CITY CHARITY GOLF DAY**
THURSDAY, MARCH 6 - OXFORD GOLF CLUB - 9:30AM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
BUXTON
SATURDAY, MARCH 8 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM

APRIL

-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
WARRINGTON TOWN
SATURDAY, MARCH 22 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
RADCLIFFE
SATURDAY, MARCH 29 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
HEREFORD
SATURDAY, APRIL 12 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **VANARAMA NATIONAL LEAGUE NORTH**
OXFORD CITY
RUSHALL OLYMPIC
MONDAY, APRIL 21 - 3PM - THE MGROUP STADIUM
-  **OXFORDSHIRE FA WOMEN'S CUP FINAL**
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23 - THE MGROUP STADIUM

MAY

-  **PREMIER LEAGUE TROPHY EVENT**
&
 **OXFORDSHIRE FA SENIOR CUP FINAL**
SATURDAY, MAY 3 - THE MGROUP STADIUM

JUNE

-  **OXFORD CITY FC SUMMER TOURNAMENTS**
GIRLS TOURNAMENT - 7 & 8 JUNE
JPL TOURNAMENT - 14 & 15 JUNE
HOOPS TOURNAMENT - 21 & 22 JUNE

WATCH ANY HOME LEAGUE MATCH FOR FREE.
USE THE CODE 'FREE SCHOOL'. ON ANY GAME VIA THE QR CODE BELOW

DON'T MISS OUT SCAN HERE



HALF EIGHT IS TOO LATE



**HOW MUCH TIME YOUR
CHILD SPENDS ON A
SCREEN IS IMPORTANT**



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Sport at West Kidlington

GIRLS FOOTBALL PROGRAMME

West Kidlington Primary School, have teamed up with Imperium Sports Coaching to offer girls in years 3 – 6 the opportunity to play football for FREE. Our aim is to help girls in the local area make new friends, get active, and to develop a love for football.

WHAT IS THE PROJECT?

A girls only football club, aimed all around having fun.

WHERE IS IT BEING HELD?

West Kidlington Primary School

WHEN IS THIS HAPPENING?

4:30pm – 5:30pm on Fridays (selected dates – see website address)

For more information, or to register your place, visit:

<https://imperiumsportscoaching.com/girlsfootballprogramme>



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FEBRUARY HOLIDAY COURSE

DATES:

Monday 17th, Tuesday 18th, Wednesday 19th (February 2025)

TIME: 9:00am – 3pm

VENUE: West Kidlington Primary School

WHO FOR?: Children in years 1-8

COST:

£20.00 per single day booking

£50.00 for all 3 days (10% discount for early bird booking)

WWW.IMPERIUMSPORTSCOACHING.COM