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*Hello Half Term*

## **Newsletter 8 Autumn Term**

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

It has been an incredibly busy first term with many opportunities on which to reflect. It has been great to see our children being more engaged during worship time and for our Sharks to plan and lead our school worship this week.

The children have been excellent role models when representing our school at the various sporting events in which we have taken part and on our residential at Yenworthy. It is always pleasing to hear the positive feedback from other staff, coaches and instructors about our children's behaviour.

All pupils have responded well to our refreshed approach to maths and phonics, demonstrating greater understanding and pushing themselves to achieve more. We continue to work on our three key areas of diversity, resilience, and health and wellbeing within our curriculum to fully prepare our school community.

Next term I will be looking for the children to be super organised with their school possessions and ensuring that school uniform meets our policy. Please do remember that FoFS are holding a variety of second hand uniform so no child should have to do without in this chilly weather.

### *Visit*

We look forward to welcoming Chris Hilliard, the Deputy Director of Education, to our school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November. We will be showing him our school and discussing the support that Oxfordshire provides.

### *New Morning Routine for Years 1 to 6*

As from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November the children will be lining up on the playground when the whistle goes at 8.40am. The teacher will collect the children from the playground, ready to start the day.

### *Youth Sport Trust – Gold Award*

After a successful visit from the Youth Sport Trust yesterday we have been validated with a Gold Award for our sports provision as a school. This is a magnificent achievement and we congratulate Mrs Churchill and all those involved.

### *Book Fair*

Thank you to everyone who supported our book fair two weeks ago; we have earned £340 on commission which will be spent on much needed books for the Early Years classroom.

### *Seahorses Trip to Science Oxford Centre*

On Wednesday the Seahorses had a wonderful day at the Science Oxford Centre.

The children experienced plenty of “hands on” activities that engaged and challenged them, along with fantastic inclusion of their Bardwell friends. Needless to say there have been lots of scientific questions to think about back at school!



### *“Love Your Learning” Morning*

We had another good turnout at the “Love Your Learning” morning on Thursday and the children were all excited to show their parents/carers the work they have been doing this term. Thank you to those who were able to stay for this.

### ***"Child of the Week"***

Well done to the following children who have received certificates this week :

<i>Minnows</i>	Lily Rose S and Poppy D
<i>Sticklebacks</i>	Florence E and Oscar M
<i>Seahorses</i>	Theo E and Daniel D
<i>Stingrays</i>	Matthew H and Aiden C-M
<i>Sharks</i>	Lewis D' and Ella S



### ***Activities After Half Term***

<i>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November</i>	Inset Day (no children in school)
<i>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November</i>	Back to School
<i>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November</i>	Football Club starts
<i>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> &amp; Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November</i>	Hockey and Gymnastics Clubs start
<i>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November</i>	FoFS Fireworks

### ***Rags to Riches for Schools***

You will have received an email about our Rags to Riches collection in December. Half term would be a good time to start putting aside your unwanted clothes and items for the needy! If you do have any queries about what can be brought in please do ask or email the office.



### ***Remembrance Day and Poppies***

As in previous years we will be holding our own Poppy Day collection and, after half term, will have on sale some small items such as wristbands, badges, zip pulls, etc, each between 50p and £1.50. All monies raised will be given to The Royal British Legion so please send your child in with a few coins if you would like to support this.

### ***Playing Fields Children's Playground***

It has been brought to our attention that there is often litter in the children's playground next to the car park. Although anyone can use the playground and the litter does not necessarily belong to our children please do make sure that your child uses the bin provided and does not leave anything on the grass.

Have a wonderful, safe, and happy half term!

Kind regards,

**Jon Hart**

*Headteacher*



<i><b>Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct</b></i>	<b>Start of Half Term</b>
<i><b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>Inset Day</b>
<i><b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>Back to School</b>
<i><b>Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>FoFS Fireworks Display</b>
<i><b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>Interschool Cross Country</b>
<i><b>Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>Year 3 &amp; 4 Girls Football Tournament</b>
<i><b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>Non-Uniform Day for Secret Present Room</b>
<i><b>Wed 27<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>Reception and Years 1 – 6 Nasal Flu Vaccinations</b>
<i><b>Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></i>	<b>FoFS Christmas Craft Fayre</b>
<i><b>Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>Rags to Riches Collection</b>
<i><b>Wed 4<sup>th</sup> &amp; Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>Life Education Bus</b>
<i><b>Wed 4<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>Christmas Disco</b>
<i><b>Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>FoFS Secret Present Room</b>
<i><b>Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>KS1 Nativity Play</b>
<i><b>Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>KS1 Nativity Play</b>
<i><b>Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>Christmas Tea Party</b>
<i><b>Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>Whole School Christmas Dinner</b>
<i><b>Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec</b></i>	<b>Christmas Carol Service 10am</b>