

Windmill Weekly (16)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for January - Co-operation

13 January 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

Getting to School on Time - Late Gate!

We are concerned that there are still a large number of children who aren't in school by 8:45am for the start of the school day. If a child is just 5 minutes late to school each day, over a year that amounts to 3 days lost of learning. I fully appreciate that it can be a challenge to get your children to school on time but as a school we need to be enforcing this.

From Monday next week (16th January) I will be closing the gates at 8:50am to make the point that at that point children are 5 minutes late. I will be telling the children about this in assembly today. You will of course still be allowed through the gate when you arrive.

Reading / Maths Support Volunteers

In pre-covid days we had a few parents who volunteered each week to come into school to either listen to children read or to support children with maths skills. We would love to resume this. If you feel that you would like to volunteer in some capacity please contact me by email on head.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk.

Artists Exhibition

Over the next 3 terms, we are planning a whole school art project, which will culminate in a Windmill Summer Art Exhibition to be held at the school.

We are looking for local parent artists/local amateur or professional artists who would be interested in leading sessions with the children in a given year group to create their own piece of art or craftwork inspired by the visiting artists.

Please contact me via email to let me know if you would be interested in participating as an artist or if you know of an artist who would be keen to participate. I would need a name, a contact email and perhaps an image of a piece of work and an idea of your availability. We would require a whole day of your time at some point between now and May.

The exhibition would offer you the opportunity to share your artwork with the children and with the wider school community on exhibition day when your work would be displayed alongside the artwork that children have done following your session.

I can help design your session with you and a teacher will be there to support you on the day.

I really look forward to hearing from you about participating in this exciting project.

Once I have an idea of numbers and the styles of artwork on offer, I will be back in touch with some provisional dates and an exhibition date.

Mrs Rianne, Art Coordinator



Key Dates

17 th January 2023	Year 6 Dental Survey
30 th January 2023	Open Morning - Whole School 08.30am - 9.10am
10 th February 2023	End of Term 3 - finish at 3.05pm
20 th February 2023	Start of Term 4
27 th February - 3 rd March 2023	Book Week
2 nd March 2023	World Book Day - dress as your favourite character
17 th March 2023	Comic Relief
22 nd March 2023	Parent Interviews
28 th March 2023	Year 4 Performance @2.00pm
29 th March 2023	Year 4 Performance @6.00pm
31 st March 2023	End of Term 4 - finish at 2.30pm

Primary Admissions - 15th January Deadline

Children born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019 (inclusive) will be starting Reception from September 2023.

The deadline for receipt of primary and infant school applications is **15 January 2023**. If your application is late, it will be processed later in the year, and you are far less likely to get a place at one of your preferred schools.

Please visit www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions to submit your application online.

If you apply online emails will be sent confirming your offer place on 1 April 2023. Letters will be sent by second class post on this day.

Football - versus John Hampden

Our year five and six boys and girls teams are well on their way to qualifying for the finals of the open 7s football competition in Oxford. On Thursday afternoon, the girls beat John Hampden, one goal to nil, in a great all-round performance. This was followed by the boys match, in which Jamal scored first, followed by an equaliser, then a late dramatic deflected winner for Windmill. Well done all!

Yours faithfully

Lynn Knapp
Headteacher

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STREET CRICKET

TURN UP AND PLAY

Join Our Free Sessions for 8-12 Year Olds!

Cowley Mixed Session

Greyfriars School - Sports Hall - OX4 3DR

Fridays

18:00 - 20:00

Starting from Friday 7th October 2022 - 24th February 2023

For more information email ZPugh@oxoncb.com

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Previous attachment

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Blackbird Leys

Leys Leisure Centre - Sports Hall

Saturdays

12:00 - 14:00

Starting from Saturday 1st October 2022 - 25th February 2023

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HALF TERM CRICKET

**JOIN US DURING
FEBRUARY HALF TERM
AT...**

**14TH FEBRUARY – ST HELEN & ST
KATHARINE**

15TH FEBRUARY – THE OXFORD ACADEMY

16TH FEBRUARY – WOOD GREEN

5-7 YEAR OLDS

10AM – 12PM

SIGN UP

8-11 YEAR OLDS

1PM – 3PM

SIGN UP

£12 PER SESSION

What's On At MOX

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Museum of Oxford



Chinese New Year at MOX!

Saturday 14th January
10.00-11.15am & 11.45-1.00
£5 per child/ adults free

Get ready to celebrate The Year of the Rabbit, with family-friendly traditional crafts: try your hand at calligraphy, make a dragon puppet and much more!



Go Green This Half-Term!

Old To New Crafts

Monday 13th February
11-2.30
£4 per child

Create your own jewelry, make a rag rug and learn the art of paper-making with this drop-in workshop!



Romans & Celts At MOX!

Thursday 16th
February
10.30-11.45
12.30-1.45
2.30-3.45
£10 per child

Step back in time this half term with The Drama Hut! Meet Celtic queen Boudicca and learn how to outwit the Romans with this interactive workshop.

Book your spaces now at
museumofoxford.org


The Drama Hut
unlocking creativity

JDR Hockey Camp



All Abilities welcome!

Dates: 13th and 14th February

Times: 10-4pm (9:30am drop off)

Location: Brookes Sport, Headington

Essential Equipment: Gum shield & Shin pads

- ✓ Stretch and challenge for players where necessary
- ✓ Specialist technical skills to develop older players
- ✓ Prizes from our sponsors Kookaburra Hockey
- ✓ High quality coaches with a wide range of playing experience

1 day: £30

2 days: £50

Meal offered if on free school meals.

Quote code: FEB22SP (names will be verified from school registers)

JOIN US

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