

# Windmill Weekly (05)

*Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge*

Value for October - Generosity

04 October 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

## **Rosh Hashanah**

This week has been the start of Rosh Hashanah, which is a festival that celebrates the Jewish New Year. We wish shana tova, meaning a good new year, to all those celebrating.

## **Parking Outside School**

I have a number of parents come to me very concerned about the number of cars parked on double yellow lines when families are dropping off and picking their children up from school as this is causing dangerous visibility and, in some cases, preventing residents from getting out of their drives. There is plenty of parking alongside the park and round the corner in Quarry Rd so there isn't any need to park on yellow lines. I will be contacting the traffic control at Oxford City Council to request some support. We also have a large number of cars parked outside school at the end of the day, not all of whom have exemption from the School Streets. This again causes the road to be unsafe when children are leaving the school at the end of the day.

## **Privately Owned Electric Scooters**

You will see that we have attached a poster that the police have sent regarding the law and privately owned electric scooters. They have advised all schools to ban privately owned scooters from the school site. We are going to follow this advice.

## **Black History Month**

Thank you to those of you who have suggested role models to display in our Black History Month gallery. I am planning on adding at least one new face each day. If you haven't seen the start of the gallery, you can walk down the side of the school by the church where the first pictures are hanging. I will be hanging pictures both sides of the school.

## **Autumn Fayre Dancers**

I am confident that you will be impressed by the children's dancing tomorrow. Please can you bring your child to the small playground at 2:00pm if they are taking part. The children will perform at 2:15pm.

## **Windmill Smart Free Childhood Action Group**

The Windmill Smart Free Childhood Action Group have put together a survey regarding children in the school and smart phones which they would like as many people as possible to complete. Here is the link to the survey.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1RLpuOqkpn8SzOWL3aFInMsy9CxG5kSiwdUL0e\\_QWSc/viewform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1RLpuOqkpn8SzOWL3aFInMsy9CxG5kSiwdUL0e_QWSc/viewform?edit_requested=true)

## **Tutoring**

One of our Teaching Assistants is interested in tutoring children (especially Maths, English) from Year 1 to 6 and she is currently tutoring a Year 4 pupil. If you are interested in making contact please get in touch with me and I will pass her your details. Head.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk.



## Key Dates

|            |                                       |
|------------|---------------------------------------|
| 5 October  | Autumn Fayre                          |
| 10 October | Flu Vaccinations for the whole school |
| 16 October | Parent Interviews                     |
| 17 October | Individual photographs                |
| 25 October | End of Term 1 - 3.10pm                |
| 4 November | Start of Term 2                       |

### Children with a Peanut allergy

Please see the letter at the end of this newsletter from Dolce.

Please remember to register your child's allergies on the School Grid.

### ESFA (English Schools' Football Association) Girls Tournament

Huge congratulations to our team of girls that went to The Oxford Academy with Mr Habbershaw on Thursday for a tournament. They won three and drew two of their group matches to top the table, coasted through the semi-final and had all the possession and pressure in the final but couldn't quite find the winner, which was eventually decided by penalty kicks. Both finalists go on to the county finals in January. Well done Sky, Hannah, Sreya, Amelia B, Evie, Joni, Miyasha, Amelia S, and Orla.

### Final Reminder: Autumn Fayre - This Saturday 1-4pm

Don't forget to join us this Saturday for our Autumn Fayre! We have got lots of fun planned, including a bouncy castle, games, raffle, tombola, pamper stall, and even a visit from the fire engine! Arrive hungry to make the most of the BBQ, homemade soup, cakes, and plenty of refreshments while you watch live busking and dancing. The weather looks great, so bring friends and family and let's try to raise as much money as possible to help fund our exciting new playground additions.

Free fayre tokens available:

We would like the Fayre on Saturday to be as inclusive as possible to all of our Windmill families. We have plenty of free tokens available for families who might not otherwise be able to attend.

How to get your free tokens:

- 1) Ask a member of staff at school. There is a bag of free tokens at reception
- 2) Go directly to reception today to collect
- 3) Email [windmillpta@gmail.com](mailto:windmillpta@gmail.com)
- 4) Collect from 28 Norton Close (bag is outside the door, no need to knock)
- 5) Speak to Jen or Jess at the token stall on Saturday.

We hope you can join us

### Raffle Prize List

Thanks so much to those who have generously donated prizes. Here is the list of raffle prizes. Tickets can be purchased at the Fayre for £1 each, and the draw will take place at 3:30pm.

£30 and £20 Vouchers - Craft Burger

Extra Play Time for a Class - Mrs Knapp

3-Month Coffee Subscription - Missing Bean

4x Family-Day Tickets or 1 Club Ticket - Science Oxford

2 Pizzas and a Bottle - The White Rabbit

Family Games Bundle - Nassim Hall

90 Minute Family/Child Black and White Photo Session - Fliss (Snap Happy Club)

Laphroaig Whiskey - Gaya Thanabalasingham

6-Month Subscription - Jeneration Fitness

Felt Purse - Headington Fairtrade  
Bottle of Crémant - Anjali and Richard De Butts  
400g Ground Coffee - New Ground  
3x 12-Coaster Sets - Headington Homewares  
Family Bath Bundle - Nassim Hall  
£15 John Lewis Vouchers - Anjali and Richard De Butts  
Adult and Child Ticket - Cotswold Wildlife Park  
£20 Voucher - Jacobs & Field  
Adult and Child Entry and Shoe Hire - Gallery Bouldering  
A Crochet Class - The Woolhound  
2 Tickets to Any Film - Ultimate Picture Palace  
Free Round of Mini Golf - Courtside  
£10 Voucher - Coco Noir  
Colouring Books and Pens Bundle - Nassim Hall  
Haircut with Meg, worth £55 - Popham Hairdressing  
Pancake Maker - Anna Welchew  
Art Bundle - Leopard Press  
Scarf - Monaco

### FLU VACCINATION, BOOK NOW - 10 October 2024

At the end of this newsletter there is a very important letter about the Flu Vaccination - **ACTION IS REQUIRED** even if you want to refuse the vaccination you need to send a response. The Unique School Code is OX123047. **IMPORTANT-** The link to the Flu Consent Form will **close one full school day** before the vaccination session. Please read the letter then click this link to book or refuse the vaccination - <https://www.oxfordhealthimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

*If you have already submitted your child's consent form you DO NOT need to take any further action.*

Yours faithfully



Lynn Knapp  
Headteacher

### Vacancies

#### School Cleaner

Windmill Primary School are seeking a cleaner to work 10 hours per week, 2 hours per day, Monday to Friday, 2 hours between 5.00am and 9.00am **or** 3.00pm – 5.00pm.

The rate of pay is £11.59 an hour (a pay increase is currently being negotiated).

This is an all year round contract so you will need to work during the school holidays, although hours can be blocked during the holidays if desired so you would not need to work every day. All annual leave must be taken during the school holidays and cannot be taken during term time.

This could be a term time only plus 3 week contract by request. This would be all 5 inset days plus 2 weeks in the Summer holidays.

Please email [office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk) to ask for an application form or visit our website [www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk) for further information and to download an application form.

## **Vacancies**

### **Lunchtime Assistant – Closing date 13 October 2024**

#### **Actual annual salary £5056**

Windmill Primary School are seeking a lunchtime assistant to work 2 hours per day, Monday to Friday, 11.30am – 1.30pm, term time only.

Please visit our website [www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk) to see the advert and job description.

Please email [office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk) to ask for an application form or download it from our website.

Completed forms need to be emailed back to [office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk) by **13 October 2024**.

# Maths Workshops for parents

Do you feel that everything has changed in Maths since you left school? Do you want to know the methods that we use to help your child with their Maths?

Then come along to one of our workshops to learn how we teach Maths at Windmill!

We are holding three workshops:

Year 1 and 2: **11th November 3:20pm**

Strawberry Class (crèche available in Ladybird or Cherry Class, Miss Atkinson)

Year 3 and 4: **19th November 3:20pm**

Turtle Class (Mrs Williams)

Year 5 and 6: **28th November 3:20pm**

Violet Class (Mr Donhou)

Just turn up on the day to join a workshop. All slides used in the workshops will be put on the website afterwards.

**This letter contains important information  
about your child's flu vaccination.**



Autumn Term 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

**Your child's annual flu vaccination is due  
WINDMILL PRIMARY SCHOOL  
10/10/2024**

The annual school aged Flu vaccination programme is, this year, being offered to all children in Years Reception to Year 11. Flu can be a very unpleasant illness for children and sometimes causes serious complications. Children can catch and spread flu easily so vaccinating them also protects others who are vulnerable e.g. babies and older people. This is particularly important as COVID-19 continues to circulate and people at risk of flu are also vulnerable to the complications of COVID-19.

**For most children, the Nasal Flu vaccination is painless and given by a quick and simple spray up the nose.** In some medical circumstances it is necessary to administer the vaccine by intramuscular injection instead of the nasal spray, but this will always be discussed with parents/carers beforehand.

If you object to the nasal vaccination on the grounds of its contents (e.g. Porcine Gelatine) or if the vaccine is otherwise unsuitable, you may also choose for the vaccination to be administered by intramuscular injection. This injection will also be delivered in school on the date above. You can choose the Injected flu vaccination on the vaccination consent form. If you choose the Injected flu vaccination, please ensure your child wears a short-sleeved T shirt/school shirt, to reduce the need for any clothing adjustments.

**Whether you wish for your child to have their Flu vaccine or you don't please follow the instructions below at least one school day before the session.** After this date you will find the online system will not work. The system will reopen the day after the school session to enable a form to be registered and a clinic appointment be booked.

- 1 Please read either the [Primary](#) or [Secondary](#) Flu Leaflet which includes details about the Flu programme. If your child is asthmatic please also read the information below within "Further Important Information."
- 2 Click the link <https://www.oxfordhealthimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu>
- 3 Enter the Unique School Code OX123047
- 4 Complete the form, one per child. *Please complete a form even if you are refusing the vaccination.*
- 5 Read the "Further Important Information" overleaf

Yours faithfully,

Rachael Conlan, Immunisation County Team Lead

## **Further Important Information- Please read**

### **1. Team Contact details**

Email [immunisationteam@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:immunisationteam@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk)  
Tel. no 07920 254 400. Help to complete the Consent Form is available.  
Website [www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/imms/](http://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/imms/)

### **2. Asthma or other illness –**

We may not be able to safely vaccinate your child on the arranged date if any of the conditions below occur

- In the 3 days before the vaccination date, your child has been wheezy and/or increased the use of their Bronchodilators (eg reliever Inhaler or oral reliever medication)

AND/OR

- Your child receives Corticosteroid treatment (steroids) in the 3 months before the vaccination date for ANY health condition.

AND/OR

- Your child has taken prescribed influenza antiviral agents in the 2 days before the vaccination date.

If any of the above occurs It is **very important** that you provide a written note with your child's name, dob, year group and the updating information to be given to the vaccination team on the day of vaccination. If your child is too young to be able to do this, please hand the letter to the school reception and ask that it is given to the vaccination team as they arrive and **mark it as urgent**. Please also call the Immunisation Team on 07920 254 400 before 08:45 on the day of vaccination.

3. Children aged 2 years to less than 9 years **who are in a clinical risk group** category and who have **not received the flu vaccine before**, should receive a second dose of LAIV at least 4 weeks after the first dose. Please contact your child's GP if you believe your child requires a second dose.

### **4. Withdrawing Consent or if the Vaccination has been given at the GP Practice after the consent form was submitted –**

If you have submitted your child's form and then change your mind and no longer wish your child to be vaccinated

or

you have submitted a form and then your child has their vaccination at the GP Practice before the school session,

Please advise us via email [withdrawconsentSAIS@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk](mailto:withdrawconsentSAIS@oxfordhealth.nhs.uk) at least one full school day before the session and on the day of the vaccination session provide a written note to your child's School Reception for the urgent attention of the Immunisation Team. Please state in the letter and in the email subject heading, your child's school, name, year group and date of birth.

### **5. Missed the school session?**

Community Clinics will be held across the county to enable children who may have missed the school session to be vaccinated. Please go to our [website](#) to book your child's appointment.

6. **Older Children and Consent** – Some young people in secondary school, who understand fully what is involved in a proposed procedure, such as vaccination, can legally provide their own consent. (usually Year 9 and above).
7. **Translated Flu Leaflet**- The Flu leaflet is also available in the following languages [English](#), [Albanian](#), [Arabic](#), [Bengali](#), [Bulgarian](#), [Chinese \(simplified\)](#), [Chinese \(traditional\)](#), [Cantonese](#), [Estonian](#), [Farsi](#), [French](#), [Greek](#), [Gujarati](#), [Hindi](#), [Latvian](#), [Lithuanian](#), [Panjabi](#), [Pashto](#), [Polish](#), [Portuqese](#), [Romanian](#), [Romany](#), [Russian](#), [Somali](#), [Spanish](#), [Taqalog](#), [Turkish](#), [Twi](#), [Ukrainian](#), [Urdu](#) and [Yiddish](#)

8. **Information Links**

"Flu and your Primary aged child" information leaflet can be found by clicking [here](#)

"Flu and your Secondary aged child" information leaflet can be found by clicking [here](#).

The Vaccine knowledge Project - [Home | Vaccine Knowledge Project \(ox.ac.uk\)](#). The Vaccine Knowledge Project provides independent, evidence-based information about vaccines and infectious diseases and is managed by the University of Oxford.

9. **Information regarding a research study.**

A research team at the University of Oxford are exploring whether a new virtual reality therapy can help young people overcome a fear of needles. They are looking for young people aged 12-15 (inclusive) with needle fears to take part in this study. Everyone who takes part will have the chance to try the virtual reality therapy. There is a limit on the number of people who can take part. If you are interested in finding out more, please get in touch with Dr Eve Twivy (Email: [needlefear@psy.ox.ac.uk](mailto:needlefear@psy.ox.ac.uk) or Phone: 07823 809582).

Please note this Study is independent of the School Aged Immunisation Service and your child may therefore be vaccinated on the date(s) indicated. Your child's vaccine does not need to be delayed for them to be eligible for this Study.

We welcome your feedback on what we do well or how you feel we could improve.  
Please follow this [link](#) to 'I Want Great care' and let us know. Use code 5180  
You can also view feedback from other parent/carers [here](#)

30/09/24

To Whom it may concern,

You may have heard of a recent allergy alert where products containing mustard may have been contaminated with peanuts during the manufacturing process.

At present, none of the ingredients used by Dolce are affected by this alert. However, the Food Standards Agency (FSA) is continuing its investigation.

The FSA has advised consumers with a peanut allergy to avoid foods that contain or may contain mustard.

For the safety of our customers, all pupils who have registered a peanut allergy in SchoolGrid now also have mustard added to their allergen list as a precautionary measure. This ensures that pupils with a peanut allergy are unable to order meals containing or potentially containing mustard.

Any pre-orders for affected meals will have been cancelled, and parents will be prompted to order an alternative meal. Some dishes may be temporarily unavailable until the alert is lifted.

We sincerely apologise for any inconvenience caused, but the safety of our pupils must be our top priority. We will keep you informed of any updates or changes in the FSA investigation that could impact our meals.

Please note: This only applies to the parents of children with a registered peanut allergy. Those parents should remove mustard as an allergen in their child's SchoolGrid account, and this should only be done once the alert is over and the parent feels confident allowing foods containing mustard.

If you have any questions, please contact Dolce Customer Care, and they will direct your inquiries appropriately.

Kind Regards

Neil Price

Head of Food Services



Join Quarry Rovers FC for a Wine Tasting evening. All information and link for booking can be found [here](#).

# WINE TASTING EVENING

In support of Quarry Rovers FC, your local grassroots football club  
Please sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/QuarryWine>

**19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**  
**5-7PM**

**HEADINGTON QUARRY VILLAGE HALL**

£25 ticket includes wine tasting of 6 wines from across the world, including reds, whites and a dessert wine.

Price includes snacks.

The tasting is led by professionals  
(<https://www.thirtyfifty.co.uk/>)

The tasting takes about 2 hours including some blind tastings and a fun competition.

**Great**



# **Book Giveaway**

**ARCh is giving away books!**

**SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER  
1.30PM -3.30PM**

**St Mary's Church Hall, Iffley, OX4 4EG**

**REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE**

**A range of children's books and games  
for ages 4 to 12 years**

## Free ice skating / swimming on October 5th and 6th

<https://www.oxfordcityleisure.com>

Then choose the geographical location and then big open weekend, then find out more, then the book button appears.

E.g. ice skating

[https://oxfordcityleisure.legendonlineservices.co.uk/oxford\\_rg\\_home/ticketing/browse?StartDate=2024-10-05&ActivityId=71&LocationId=6481&CalendarView=ListWeekRolli](https://oxfordcityleisure.legendonlineservices.co.uk/oxford_rg_home/ticketing/browse?StartDate=2024-10-05&ActivityId=71&LocationId=6481&CalendarView=ListWeekRolli)



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for more info and to book

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# E-scooters

What you need to know



It's illegal to  
ride a privately  
owned electric  
scooter in  
public

## Did you know it's illegal to ride a privately owned electric scooter (e-scooter) in public?



That's because e-scooters are classed as motor vehicles in law. So, in theory, this means that you need an MOT, road tax and insurance to use one, however it isn't currently possible to register e-scooters in this way.

Privately owned e-scooters can only be used on private land, with the permission of the landowner.

You cannot use a privately owned e-scooter on the road, pavement or in a public space. If you do then you risk receiving a large fine, points on your driving licence and your e-scooter could be seized.

Some parts of the UK are running government trials of rental e-scooters. If you're over 16 and have a full or provisional driving licence, then you can use these on public roads and cycle paths.

Just check that your driving licence covers categories AM, A or B.





**BACK TO SCHOOL, READY TO...**  
**ROCK?**



iRock band lessons are **fun**, boost **confidence**, support **wellbeing** and help develop **social skills**!



**No experience needed** and all instruments are provided

**Choose** drums, guitar, keyboard or vocals

**Led by professional Band Coaches** with a love for music

**Access our parent portal** for updates and band memories

**Exam-free qualification** for Year 2, 4 and 6 through RSL

**30-minute weekly lessons** happen during school time



I can see a **boost in confidence**, an expressive outlet; our child is developing **social skills** by being part of a music band, and, of course, **happiness and a lifelong love for music**.

Proud parent, 2024



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