

Windmill Weekly (20)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for February - Happiness

07 February 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Ofsted Report

You should have received the Ofsted report this morning, we really hope that you are as happy with it as we are.

Note from the Chairs of Governors

We are so thrilled with the result of the recent Ofsted Inspection. We all know that Windmill is a fabulous school, offering the best, most nurturing, loving and challenging education to our children. Ofsted have, again, recognised this and evidenced it in the report. This is confirmation of what we knew, anyway. Well done, Windmill, you are the best!

Year 1 Assembly

I was really sorry that I wasn't able to be at the Year 1 Assembly this morning but I am in no doubt that the children all did really well. I overheard some of their rehearsals and they were sounding good.



Key Dates

14 February	Last day of term - 3.10pm
25 - 28 February	Scholastic Book Fair
24 February	First day of term 4 - 8.40am
6 March	World Book Day
21 March	Vision Screening - Reception children only
21 March	Comic Relief
19 March	Parent Interviews for whole school
1 April	Year 4 performance 2.00pm
2 April	Year 4 performance 6.00pm
4 April	House Cross Country
4 April	Last day of term - finish at 2.30pm
Tuesday 22 April	First day of term 5 8.40am

Library

Thank you to all the parent volunteers who have helped in the library this term and well done to all our child librarians who have done a superb job in their roles. If you have any library books at home please do not forget to return them before the holidays.

Girls' football

We welcomed St. Michael's on Thursday for the Manor Cup quarter-final and the girls did brilliantly. We scored seven with no reply, and are now one match away from the final! Also, good luck to the girls tomorrow, representing Windmill and the city of Oxford in the English Schools FA County Finals.

Green Club

Can you volunteer for Green Club any school days, from 12 to 1.30pm, March to October, term time?

The Windmill Green Club restarts w/c 17th March after the winter pause. The ask is for parents and carers to support whenever they can, but we are particularly short on Tuesdays and Thursdays. You don't have to commit every week - just whenever you can!

The club is very popular and has a long waiting list of children keen to join. At the moment we can't support this without more adult helpers. Apart from supporting the school's environment and sustainability initiative, we know that spending time gardening benefits mental wellbeing and physical health.

If you can help, please get in touch at greenclub.windmill@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

Many thanks, Green Club

Yours faithfully



Lynn Knapp
Headteacher

Cheney Event

We are delighted to announce that the **Iris Creative Writing Cafe** will be hosting a special one-off workshop on **Saturday 8th February, 2 - 4pm at St Alban's Church, Oxford**, in collaboration with Dr Efi Spentzou from the Myth and Voice Initiative.

- Would you like to experience being part of a fun, informal **story circle** for an afternoon?
- Can you help turn an **ancient myth** into a story for our times?
- What would you like to **see, feel, and 'speak'** about as a **bird**?

Come along and experiment with your creativity by retelling the ancient myth of two people who were **turned into birds**.

We will read and collectively re-imagine the story, give shape to wings made of words and explore in our own writing.

We look forward to welcoming you there! Please email Lorna and Efi on lro@cheneyschool.org to book places. The creative writing workshop will be followed by a **Book Launch** for new novel [The Birder](#) from 4.30 to 6pm - all are welcome to attend this too! There will be craft activities for children.

Oxford City & County Bowls Club

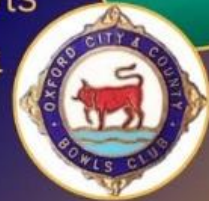
OPEN DAY!

Come along and try indoor bowls

Saturday 15th February 10 - 4

ALL AGES AND ABILITIES

WELCOME!





**Volunteer
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VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED

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JOIN THE TEAM **PLAY FOOTBALL**

9 A-SIDE OYFL LEAGUE MATCHES EVERY WEEK

We are looking for experienced or new players who are interested in playing 9-a-side football. Matches are on Sunday mornings for players in Year 6.

We play in the OYFL leagues, offering a competitive, fun, and welcoming environment with plenty of game time!

COME ALONG AND JOIN IN...

- Training on Monday nights 6.30pm - 7.30pm at Phil and Jim school.
- Just let us know you're coming (it's free for the rest of the season)

TRAINING:

Every Monday 6.30 - 7.30 pm
@ Phil and Jim School
& Friday 6-7pm @Cherwell 3G

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