

Windmill Weekly (25)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for March - Thoughtfulness

21 March 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

Comic Relief

A big thanks you to everyone who has contributed to Comic Relief today. We will let you know how much money we have raised next week.



Key Dates

1 April	Year 4 performance 2.00pm
2 April	Orchestra Concert 9.00am
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
28 April	Diabetes testing survey
1 May	International Cafe
5 May	Bank Holiday - School Closed
9 May	PTA Quiz & Curry Night

Mr Habbershaw's Tuesday Football Club

Mr Habbershaw's after school football club on Tuesdays has now finished for the academic year.

Diabetes Testing

Dear Parents,

We have been invited to take part in a very exciting trial in our area. The Wessex Clinical Research Network (CRN), together with the research team at the South Central Ambulance Service (SCAS), are going to offer the screening for type 1 diabetes mellitus to children age 3-13, as part of the research project ELSA [The ELSA Study \(elsadiabetes.nhs.uk\)](http://elsadiabetes.nhs.uk). The project is supported and funded by the National Institute for Health and Care Research (NIHR).

This is a great opportunity, as the NHS does not routinely offer this screening due to costs. We want to provide the screening (sample is collected using a single finger prick) to as many children as possible. The event will take place at the school, on Monday 28th April (in an ambulance!).

If you would like your child to take part in the trial, please complete the eligibility form and consent form, and all will be taken care of on the day.

[Eligibility Form \(bham.ac.uk\)](http://bham.ac.uk)

(The consent form follows on from the eligibility form)

The deadline for receiving your consent is Monday 21st April

The link for information for parents:

[Get started \(digitrial.com\)](http://digitrial.com)

The email for the ELSA team (they welcome any questions you may have):

elsa@contacts.bham.ac.uk

Smartphone Free Childhood - Slides and Recording

Please see a link to the recording of Smartphone Free Childhood parent talk held last Wednesday. Slides are also attached. Please note the talk is NOT appropriate for children.

https://1drv.ms/v/c/cb54e74ed4bbcb6e/EZnybVBfuodKtHfmOCj_btoBQAQxaPF4p85SQiDd2Hrbn7Q?e=WVFWjQ

Next steps:

- Student workshops for Years 5 & 6 will be held in the summer term - possibly by the same charity <https://www.papayaparents.com>

- To join in conversations about how we can be more smartphone free as a parent and school community, join the Windmill SFC community - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Gv4QkhVWpJLLuvDMFrP7c2> (Whatsapp can be used on your computer instead of your phone either on a web browser or computer app!! Go to settings > linked devices > scan)

- For information about the voluntary pact for parents/carers who want to pledge to wait to get their children a smartphone, visit <https://oxfordshireparentpact.smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk>

My Clothing Promotional Discount

If you need to order more uniform My Clothing are currently running a 10% discount promotion until the end of March 2025. Just use discount code - UNIFORM10%

This is a quick link to their website - [MyClothing](#)

****Lost Property****

Please check these photos to view if your child's unlabelled item has made it to the Lost Property area: <https://www.icloud.com/photos/#/icloudlinks/021XHUu-hVZM0+9BQMX9IbL5w>

Please come **before school** (8:30am-8:40am) or **after school** (3:10pm-3:30pm) to claim your child's lost property, or email coliveira@windmill.oxon.sch.uk to claim your item or to ask that the item is returned to your child in their class.

Any unclaimed unlabelled items left at the end of term (4th April) will be donated to charity.

Amazon Wishlists

A huge thank you to those of you who have already donated, the classes are thrilled with your generosity.

If you would still like to donate please click on the links below. There is absolutely no compulsion for anyone to do so but we have been asked a lot about this and so set the lists up.

Once you click a link, you can purchase the item via your own Amazon account and it will be delivered to the address associated with the list via the school office, not to your home address. My understanding is that purchases are anonymous and the school would not necessarily know who has sent what or when. The lists will remain on the site for the next few months and can be accessed at any time. There are also multiple items, often to share among classes but purchases do not need to be for all items in a set.

One important note is to please consider delivery days. The office is only open Monday-Friday in term time so please check that Amazon will not be trying to deliver on a Saturday or Sunday (or during school holidays!) We will not be able to chase deliveries or parcels as we will have no knowledge of what has been sent or when.

Many thanks, and again this is a completely optional initiative in response to requests from some parents/carers.

Best wishes,
The Windmill Team

SEND - <https://amzn.eu/47lq08T>

Reception - <https://amzn.eu/b47wjXk>

Y1 - <https://amzn.eu/hvrwr0Z>

Y2 - <https://amzn.eu/iuMMOb2>

Y3 - <https://amzn.eu/cz7oXVp>

Y4 - <https://amzn.eu/c2MLeNv>

Y5 - <https://amzn.eu/itFqeaI>

Y6 - <https://amzn.eu/0SMGltb>

Chessington Inset Day Trip - 20th June

After last year's brilliant Legoland trip, this year for the June 20th inset day the PTA has arranged a great discount rate for [Chessington](#) World of Adventures: a zoo, sealife centre and theme park which includes rides ranging from classic rollercoasters, to 'World of Jumanji', to Julia Donaldson-inspired attractions for younger siblings. At around 1 hr 15 mins from school, it's not too much further than Legoland, so it's a perfect spot for another group trip!

Day tickets are usually £29 per person, but we have secured a group rate of £20 for children and £25 for adults, which includes a small profit for the PTA. Please note that this is NOT a school trip - you will be responsible for making your own way, and for supervising your children whilst there.

To secure your slot, please use [this form](#), AND make a bank transfer for the correct amount to the PTA account:

Sort code: 20-65-21

Account number: 00978604

PLEASE use a payment reference of the following format:

ELDEST CHILD SURNAME & INITIAL-CLASS e.g. JOHNSONH-TIGERS

All tickets must be booked by May 15th. The PTA can cover a small number of tickets for families who would not otherwise be able to attend - if you'd like to be considered for these tickets, please email windmillpta@gmail.com

(short link for form in case you can't click through: <http://bit.ly/4bpXQ6h>)

Please check your eligibility for Free School Meals

The government's transitional protection on free school meals is coming to an end. If your child is eligible and you apply now you will receive free school meals until the end of year 6 even if your circumstances change.

Further details can be found here <https://www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk/page/?title=School+Lunches&pid=18>

If you think you might be eligible, or would like us to check, please contact the School Office - office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk for an application form BEFORE Friday 28th March.

From 1st April 2025, new applicants will need to reapply and confirm eligibility every six months.

Yours faithfully



Lynn Knapp
Headteacher

NHS Dental Patient Registration for Children Aged 5 and Under

Manor Dental Clinic want to let you know that they are currently accepting NHS patients aged 5 and under. They also have a waiting list open for NHS patients, and would love to offer access to care for local families in our community.

If anyone would like to register their child or join the waiting list, they are welcome to contact them on 01865 75 00 56 or email reception.manor@colosseumdental.co.uk

OPEN DAY



Join our choirs for a fun morning of singing, free of charge.

Saturday 29th March 2025

Cherwell School, North Site

Reception - Year 1:	9:10am - 10am
Year 2 - Year 3:	10:10am - 11.45am
Year 4 - Year 6:	10am - 12pm
Year 7 - Year 13:	10am - 12pm



Sign up at www.oxfordyouthchoirs.org.uk



DISNEY DANCE CLUB

For children in Reception – Year 1

We are delighted to be running our 'Disney' themed Dance Club in the Summer Term! Dance Club is designed to increase fitness, coordination, and stamina, whilst also being lots of fun!

'Disney' Dance Club will run after school, **3:10pm-4:40pm** on **Wednesdays for Reception – Year 1**. Each session costs **£10** and the club starts on Wednesday 23rd April and the final session on Wednesday 16th July (full details can be found on our website).

We accept all childcare vouchers; payment via the Government Tax-Free Childcare scheme and payments can be made in instalments. Payments by Direct Debit or Childcare Vouchers/Gov Tax-Free will be due by April; payment via credit/debit card will be taken at the time of booking.

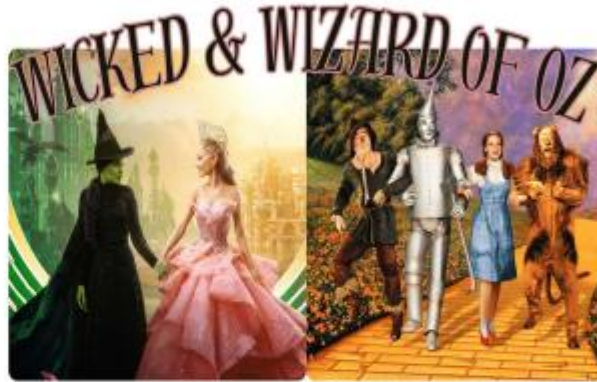
To sign up please visit www.rattleandrollperformance.com (you will need to register first if you haven't previously). To go straight to the class use code DAWMPS1.

If you have any questions, please contact us on enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com or call 07722 014301.

Thank you and best wishes,

Katy Emmerson
Rattle and Roll

You can keep up to date with all our news and events happening near you by following us on Facebook and @rattleandrollperformance on Instagram



'ON THE STAGE' CLUB:
Wicked & Wizard of Oz!
For children in Reception – Year 6

We are delighted to be running our **Wicked & Wizard of Oz** themed 'On the Stage' Club in the Summer Term! This club is a combination of dancing, drama and singing with a specific focus on building confidence and boosting teamwork. The dances, songs and drama pieces will take inspiration from the two movies *Wicked* and *The Wizard of Oz*.

'On the Stage' will run after school **3:10pm-5:10pm** on **Fridays for Reception – Year 6**. Each session costs **£12** and the club will start on Friday 25th April and the final lesson on Friday 11th July (no club Friday 20th June Inset Day) Full details can be found on our website.

We accept all childcare vouchers; payment via the Government Tax-Free Childcare scheme and payments can be made in instalments. Payments by Direct Debit or Childcare Vouchers/Gov Tax-Free will be due by April; payment via credit/debit card will be taken at the time of booking.

To sign up please visit www.rattleandrollperformance.com (you will need to register first if you haven't previously). To go straight to the class use code OSWMP51.

If you have any questions, please contact us on enquiries@rattleandrollperformance.com or call 07722 014301.

Thank you and best wishes,

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Rattle and Roll

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