

# Windmill Weekly (11)

*Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge*

Value for November - Freedom

21 November 2025

Dear Parents / Carers,

## Skipping Workshops

Next week all of the children will be taking part in a Skipping Workshop. Skippy John will be in school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and each class has been allocated a slot on one of those 3 days. The workshops are free and all of the skipping ropes are provided for the children. If the children want to buy themselves a skipping rope after their workshop you can send some cash in an envelope, labelled with your child's name, for the type of rope you want to buy. All of the children have been given an order form today and you will receive a copy of the letter giving the workshop details and skipping rope order form with this letter too.

The workshops have been funded by the PTA using the money raised through the sponsored Easter Physical Challenge.



## Parking

We are still having issues with cars being parked on double yellow lines and on the corners of roads which are creating dangerous conditions for pedestrians crossing roads. Another image has been captured by a parent of car parked dangerously.

## Pre- Loved Sale

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November the LAW group will be running a Pre-Loved sale to raise money for playground games. The sale will run from 2:00pm to 3:30pm and the children will be able to bring some money to buy something they might like if you would like them to.

We are also asking for donations of books, games and toys that are in **good condition** that the children can sell. Please can donations go to the children's classrooms and then a member of the LAW group will collect them from there.

If your child is in LAW group please can you let me know if they are not able to stay a bit longer on the Friday afternoon.



## Key Dates

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| 25 November | 8.30am-9.00am Year 6 Topic open morning in classes |
| 1 December  | Pantomime for whole school                         |
| 3 December  | Reception Christmas Play 9.15am - 10.00am          |
| 10 December | Year 2 Christmas Play 9.15am                       |
| 10 December | Cheney Concert for Orchestra / Choir               |
| 11 December | Year 2 Christmas Play 2.00pm                       |



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| 12 December    | Year 1 & Orchestra Performance 9.15am |
| 12 December    | Christmas Disco                       |
| 15 December    | iRock Assembly / Performance          |
| 17 December    | Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert 2.00pm  |
| 18 December    | Key Stage 2 Christmas Concert 9.00am  |
| 19 December    | House Christmas Quiz - whole school   |
| 19 December    | End of Term 2 at <b>2.30pm</b>        |
| 6 January 2026 | Start of Term 3 at 8.40am             |



### Individual Pupil Photographs

Your children should have brought home a QR code to be able to view the photo proofs of the images taken this week at school. The images will be available to view in 7-10 days' time. If you did not receive the QR code, don't worry - we will be able to provide you with their sitting ID when the images are available. We will send another message out when the information is available.

### Unnamed Lost Property

Photos of unnamed lost property can be found here: <https://share.icloud.com/photos/0e3K-YIXS0sZ7P3Lmiw3Ohpmg>

Please help us get your property back to your child as soon as possible by naming everything you can imagine- all uniform items, coats, water bottles, PE kit, gloves, hats, lunchboxes, forest school clothes- that is, EVERYTHING!

Please come before school 8:30-8:40am, or after school 3:10-3:30pm, to claim your items. Alternatively, please email [coliveira@windmill.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:coliveira@windmill.oxon.sch.uk)

Any items left at the end of this term (19th December) will be donated to charity.

### CHRISTMAS/HOLIDAY ONLINE SHOP RE-OPENING FOR A LIMITED TIME

<https://myfundraisinghub.com/welcome>

If you missed it the first time around or need more tea towels featuring your child's brilliant artwork, don't worry! The Christmas/holiday online shop is re-opening for a limited time!

The shop opens at midday (12pm) this Friday 21 November and closes at midday on Monday 1 December.

Everything (including your unique order codes) remains the same as before. If you don't have your codes and/or they haven't auto saved in your browser, please get in touch as soon as possible ([ori7b@hotmail.com](mailto:ori7b@hotmail.com); [cailahjackson@gmail.com](mailto:cailahjackson@gmail.com)). Please do not wait until the last minute to email us!

Happy shopping!

### Preloved uniform shop:

We are adding more items to order regularly, if you need anything, go to:

<https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/windmill-primary-school>

### Mental Health Support Teams (MHST)

Alice Hirst from our Mental Health Support Team (MHST) will be at a coffee morning we have organised to talk about the support that they can offer both parents and children.

### Coffee Morning Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December 8.45am-10.00am.

All parents/carers are welcome. Please email Mrs Aspden if you plan to come.

[jaspden@windmill.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:jaspden@windmill.oxon.sch.uk)

If your child has mild anxiety or finds self-regulation difficult, if you would benefit from support with parenting or if you just want to find out more do come along because MHST has a lot to offer.

**\*Christmas Disco 12th December 6pm-8pm\***

This weekend is your last chance to secure priority tickets by volunteering at our upcoming very popular event - Christmas Disco.

General sale opens on Monday the 24th November. Tickets are available via this Classlist link:

[https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/1352890719?s=6655469544275968&utm\\_source=SCOOL&utm\\_medium=SHARED\\_LINK](https://app.classlist.com/parent/#/events/view/1352890719?s=6655469544275968&utm_source=SCOOL&utm_medium=SHARED_LINK)

There are limited tickets and volunteers get the first preference before tickets are offered to everyone. Thanks so much to all who have already signed up to volunteer.

**U11 Boys Oxford City Football Tournament**

Huge congratulations to our team of Under 11 boys — Thomas B, Ben Lim, Jessie, Lihai, Ruben, Yassin, Kayden and Hugo — who represented Windmill at the Oxford City Tournament on Thursday. They topped their group with an outstanding six wins and one draw, progressing confidently into the semi-final, where they dispatched St Michael's Primary.

In the final, we faced St Nicholas. After they took the lead, we hit back with an outstanding long-range equaliser from Yassin, fired right into the top corner. Unfortunately, our opponents responded with another excellent long-distance effort, and despite plenty of pressure from our boys, we couldn't quite find a second equaliser.

Some of the goals scored throughout the tournament were superb, showcasing exceptional passing, communication and teamwork. We are extremely proud of their efforts and the way they represented the school.

***Come to the***  
***KS2 Christmas Concert***



*Wednesday 17th December at 2pm*  
*Thursday 18th December at 9am*



*Performances from:*  
*Windmill Choir*  
*All of the children in KS2*  
*Instrumental groups*



# Year 1 & Orchestra perform at Christmas

Friday 12th December at 9am



Programme includes:

Jingle Bells

Baby Jesus (Sleep Tight)

When Santa got stuck up the Chimney



Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynn Knapp'.

Lynn Knapp  
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18<sup>th</sup> November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

**Skipping 4 Life Day to be held on 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

I am delighted to inform you that we have invited "Skippy John" from "Skipping 4 Life" to work with all year groups over the 3 days to teach various skipping skills and then present a "show" to the whole school on the above dates.

"Skippy John" (the name Richard Hammond gave him when he appeared on "Total Wipeout") has 20 years of experience teaching & demonstrating skipping skills in primary schools across the UK.

Skipping 4 Life's aim is to encourage children and adults to skip for health, fun and fitness, whilst promoting modern and traditional skipping games, including **Individual Skills, Partner Skipping, Double Dutch & Long Rope Team Games**.

If children would like to purchase the high quality British made '**speed ropes**' used, they will be available on the day.

These ropes used by international skipping teams are, strong, light and easy to turn to allow children and adults to progress rapidly.

KS1 & KS2 Child Ropes **£5.00** each  
Adult ropes **£6.00** each  
4m 'Family ropes' **£8.00** each  
Double Dutch **£15.00** per pair  
Street / Team Ropes **£15.00** each

Yours sincerely,

Lynn Knapp

**Skipping Ropes and / or After School Workshop**

Skipping Ropes will be available to purchase after school from the coach on the day  
**Or please complete the slip below and return to school to order your ropes**

Child's Name ..... Class.....

Would like to purchase ..... children's ropes @ £5.00 each .....

Adult ropes @ £6.00 each..... Family ropes @£8.00 each .....

Double Dutch ropes @ £15 per pair..... Street Ropes @ £15 each.....

I enclose payment of £..... **(cash only)**

# Oxford Swim School

Weekly Lessons (30 minutes)

**Thursdays 4.30pm-6.30pm &  
Saturdays 9am-1.30pm**

Private Pool at Oxford High School  
(Summertown)

Age 4 years upwards



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Contact Caroline 01865 864537  
[caroline@oxfordswimschool.co.uk](mailto:caroline@oxfordswimschool.co.uk)  
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# BRIGHT SPARKS



Wednesdays from  
**3:45pm - 4:45pm**

Barton Neighbourhood Centre

For dates see: [dancinoxford.co.uk/whats-on](http://dancinoxford.co.uk/whats-on)

To book please call, email or just turn up!



07538 789 721



[info@dancinoxford.co.uk](mailto:info@dancinoxford.co.uk)



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## Together in the Wild: Family Bushcraft

**Saturday 10am - 12pm**

see website for dates (one session per month)

Explore nature & develop new skills as a family at our monthly sessions


Campfire cooking - fire lighting - woodwork - build shelters - knots - foraging

£12 adult / £8 child (sorry no dogs)

**Booking Essential: [www.hill-end.org/activities/upcoming-events](http://www.hill-end.org/activities/upcoming-events)**

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