Windmill Weekly (05)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for October – Generosity 09 October 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

Autumn Fayre
Thank you to everyone who donated to the tombola for the Autumn Fayre today. The main event is tomorrow between 1pm and 4pm on the back playground with lots of stalls, games, activities and a fantastic raffle. The whole school community is welcome and you do not need to be there for the entire time, just popping in for an hour or so would be great. Could I please ask that wherever possible you walk or cycle to the fayre rather than driving.

Help needed!
We would like to move our lost property to make it more accessible for parents and save you coming into school to look for things. Currently we are exploring a way to store items in the area outside the hall but need some help from someone who may be able to construct a storage area from wood which would then be used to house boxes with the lost property inside. The school can find a way to pay for the materials needed, but if you or anyone you know could help us design and build a structure it would be greatly appreciated. Please email the office (office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk) if you think you can help!

Parents Meetings
Next week there will be parents meetings which will be held online on some days and in person on Wednesday 14th October. To attend, please see the letter sent last week via the app which directs you to the school cloud website and bookings. All appointments are for 10 minutes regardless of whether online or in person. Bookings are open until Midday this coming Sunday 11th October.

One piece of feedback from the parents survey that you filled out was that many people felt that they would like to know more about their child's next steps and what they need to do in order to move their learning forward. This is something that I have asked teaching staff to ensure that they do during parents meetings next week. If you are unsure that you have that information then please do ask the staff member directly.



Key Dates

10 October	Autumn Fayre
14 October	Parent Interviews – late evening
31 October	Deadline to apply for secondary schools
23 October 2026	End of Term 1
2 November 2026	MONDAY - INSET Day
3 November 2026	TUESDAY – Start of Term 2

ESFA football tournament
On Friday 2nd October, nine boys represented the school at the ESFA tournament. They participated with great enthusiasm, demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout, and were a real credit to the school.

The team drew two matches, won one and lost one, making it a thoroughly enjoyable and successful experience. It was a fantastic opportunity for the boys to represent the school, compete against other teams and, most importantly, enjoy their football.

SEND Appeal
We are currently looking to build up our resources in school to support some of our SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) pupils.

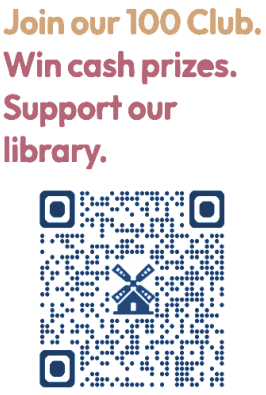
We would be very grateful for any good-quality toys from the list below that you may no longer need at home and would be happy to donate to school.

In particular, we are looking for:

- Duplo
- Magnetic tiles
- Stickle Bricks
- Magnetic building sticks
- Kinetic sand
- Playmobil
- Puzzles (100–150 pieces)
- Threading activities
- Colouring books (unused)
- Play dinosaurs
- Play animals
- Playdough
- Orchard games
- Dobble
- Clay
- Craft kits (unused)

If you have any of these items at home that you would be happy to donate, please ask your child to bring them into school and **pass them to their class teacher (NOT to the office please)**. The items can then be passed on to the SEND team, who will distribute them across the classes where they are most needed.

Thank you so much for your support.
Mrs Grates



100 Club Needs More Members!
The 100 Club is our school's monthly lottery draw. You can join for a full year for just £12 or pay in monthly instalments of £1. Each month you have the chance to win prizes of £25, £15 and £10. The remaining funds are used to buy books for classrooms and the school library, as well as to support other school projects.

For further details, please visit the 100 Club website at: https://dariodarski.github.io/100Club/
You may also scan the QR code below to access the site.

Autumn Fayre
The Autumn Fayre is tomorrow, Saturday 10 October, 1pm to 4pm. Free entry and everyone is welcome, so do bring grandparents, neighbours and friends.

We could still use a few more hands: setting up from 8.30am, food prep from 11am, and clearing away from 4pm. Just turn up on the day, or sign up on Classlist under the Autumn Fayre 2026 event.

Cheney School SEND- Open Morning event
A reminder for the parents and carers in Year [5/6] regarding this event.

The details are as follows:

- Date:15 October 2026
- Time: 9.30am Presentation with the head teacher and colleagues and a tour at 10.15am
- Location: Cheney school

There is no parking available at the school so please use public transport, walk or cycle to the open events.

If you have specific access requirements, please contact Reception on the number 01865 765726.

Headington Wombles
Hi all, Headington Wombles next community litter pick is being held on Friday 16th October at 12 noon (midday) at Treatz in central Headington. Please come for as long or little as you're able. We'll be inside at one of the tables.

Please bring a litter picker if you already have one, and a pair of sturdy gloves to wear. We'll also have equipment people can borrow available.

Also please join our WhatsApp group at https://chat.whatsapp.com/JRXK8ZjMHVFFHQSTwMD7nv in case there are any updates on the day.

We look forward to seeing you when we're out Wombling soon.

To read more visit our website at: https://sites.google.com/viewg/headington-wombles/.

Best wishes, Headington Wombles

OXFORD PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

FUNomusica: 'Halloween Spooktacular'

18 October 2026 | 15:00 | Olivier Hall, St Edward's School, Woodstock Road, Oxford, OX2 7NN

Alasdair Malloy presenter

It's Halloween! Disguise yourself in a spooky manner and come along to join our Master of the Ghostly Revels, Alasdair Malloy, who will introduce music guaranteed to give you goosebumps. You will hear the spooktacular Oxford Philharmonic perform mysterious music about witches, ghosts, vampires, ghouls and gnomes and you will go dancing with the Devil in a special story version of Saint-Saëns's Danse Macabre. We will need help from the Ghostbusters!

Most suitable for ages 4 - 8
Pre-concert Arts & Crafts start at 14:00

You can buy tickets here: https://oxfordphil.com/event/funomusica-family-concert-halloween-spooktacular/ or by calling our box office line on 01865 980 980.



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HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS!

Come down for a half-term of fun, football and the chance to meet new friends. The camps take place in a safe and fun environment, mixing fun sessions with skill-based activities suitable for all abilities.

- Boys camp: Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October
- Girls camp: Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October
- The Oxford Academy, Oxford, OX4 6JZ

For any enquiries, please email
community@oufc.co.uk



Scan to book your place!