

Windmill Weekly (04)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for October - honesty

10 October 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

Covid-19

Thank you to everyone who has started to respond to our request to resume wearing masks on the school site at all times. It is also great to see that the one-way system is being used now by almost all families. I do appreciate that it takes you more time to do your drop off and collect your children.

Autumn Fayre Dancing

If your child has been practising a dance to perform at the Autumn Fayre, they should have received a letter today detailing the time of the performance, costumes that we would like the children to wear, as well as a reply slip to be returned to school confirming that they are available on the day.

Harvest

We will be holding our Harvest celebrations in the week beginning 4 October. We will be sharing the children's small performances with you via your year group online platform. We have decided to support Asylum Welcome again this year with the contributions of food that you are always so generous with. A representative for the charity has added details about specific foods that would be really helpful to them. We are also going to do an additional fund raiser to support refugees from Afghanistan.

Specific foods needed

1lt cooking oil
UHT milk
1kg sugar
Soap, shower gel, shampoo
Tinned fish in oil
Peanut butter & jam
Long life fruit juice
Dried fruit & nut
White rice
Coffee & tea
Tinned beans, tomatoes, fruit, sweetcorn
NO MEAT PRODUCTS PLEASE



Key Dates

15 th October	Class photos - individual
16 th October	Autumn Fayre
20 th October	Parent Interviews for whole school
22 nd October	House Cross Country - 9.00am - 9.30am
22 nd October	End of Term 1 @3.05pm
1 st November	Start of Term 2 @ 8.45am
11 th November	Flu immunisations - whole school
18 th November	Vision Screening - Reception children only

Boys 7-a-side English Schools FA City Cup

Conditions were ideal for our tournament at the Oxford Academy in Littlemore on Tuesday 28th September. Walter and Caleb kept goal, with Ethan and Patrick our solid defensive partnership throughout. On the flanks, Sammy, Yasin, Olti, and Jamal alternated and caused endless trouble for the opposition, with Joel captaining the side and bossing central midfield; the heartbeat of the team. Up front Liam showed his class and many talents, constantly outfoxing the defenders with mazy

dribbles and incredible strength. All teams played each other in a group format and after losing the opener 2-1 to Phil and Jim's, who were decisive when we made a few sloppy errors, we won our remaining four games and scored a number of beautiful goals from patient and probing passing play. The top two teams from the group played each other in the final and this meant a rematch against P&J's. We were dominant from the first whistle, never troubled at the back, and scored 3 more great goals to take home the trophy and progress to the regional finals.

100 Club

Just a reminder of the message I sent earlier this month. Apologies if you've already paid - I only see the bank statements a month afterwards. Please just let me know when you pay or if you don't want to continue so I can reallocate numbers.

Dear all,

Thanks for your past support of the 100 club. It really does mean a lot to the school as they use the extra money to buy library and class books. From my records, it looks like you're all due to renew (if you want to!) for the next school year. It costs £12 per number to be entered in to the next 12 draws which are held roughly every month. You may have seen in the school newsletter that we do have some free numbers so if you'd like to purchase another now is the time.

Bank details are below. If you can let me know when you've paid it's helpful for the PTA treasurer when we check the accounts. Some of you have standing orders so if you know the money has already been transferred, or is about to be transferred do let me know that too. Likewise, if you need a reminder of how many numbers you have, please get in touch.

Barclays Bank

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I appreciate that some of you may no longer have children in the school after the summer and/or you might decide it's the right time to leave the 100 club - please just let me know so we can allocate the numbers to others.

Thank you, Helen Baker

Autumn Fayre

It is now almost 2 weeks to the Autumn Fayre!

When: 1-4pm 16th of October

Where: Windmill school

What: music, dancing, singing, food, drinks and games!

This year we are going to ask parents and children to bring in food to sell to raise money for the PTA. We will ask **no nuts** but savoury or sweet are welcome that don't need to be heated to serve. There is of course a risk we may need to cancel the fayre at short notice because of covid and/or the weather but this way you may simply enjoy your cooking at home!

We will be in contact to make arrangements including to ask for volunteers to help on the day by email in the next week.

See you there!

PTA committee

Jen Skym & Cathy Oliveira
Windmill PTA Communications Secretaries

Autumn Fayre Buskers

Do you play an instrument? Can you sing a song?

Would you like to share your talents as part of the Autumn Fayre's Buskers?

Anyone is welcome to join in - each session is up to 5 minutes!

Simply pick a slot by clicking on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the sign up sheet: volunteersignup.org/4C8YE

To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

Everyone else: Remember to support our performers on the day!

If you have any questions please email me via windmill.autumnfayre.buskers@gmail.com

Best wishes and thank you for volunteering!

Ricarda Menke

Classlist

Classlist is the main communication platform used by the PTA to communicate with parents and for parents to communicate with one another.

If you are not on Classlist yet then please join here <https://tinyurl.com/WindmillOX3>

There are still quite a few people 'unassigned' to a group on Classlist. This is mostly in year groups where the classes were shuffled over the summer. GDPR does not permit us to have class lists to reassign the new groups. You can assign yourself to your current class by going to your profile and selecting the correct class from the drop down menu. This will ensure you get all the messages relevant to your class.

You can always email windmillpta@gmail.com if you are having any difficulties and we can help.

Yours faithfully



Lynn Knapp
Headteacher

(If any images below are missing please view the Newsletter on the School Website - www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk)



**Fitzharrys
School**

Open Evening on Thursday 14th October. We will be welcoming visitors from 5.30pm until 8pm.

In addition, we are holding a week of Open Mornings from Monday 18th October through to Friday 22nd October, 9am to 11am. Bookings are essential to reserve your space - please contact us by phone or via office.4127@fitzharrys.oxon.sch.uk to book your tour.



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**SCIENCE
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**Saturday 2 October 2021
11 am – 12 pm**



Science Bazaar Saturdays presents Colour of Light Science Show!

Join us for an interactive session to explore light!

This virtual event is FREE and open to all.

Fun for all the family and most suitable for 5 – 12 years.

Register at:

<https://brookes.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtdeGpqzssHNd7x5DTwNcyYqtyXA1ifLiG>



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