

# Windmill Weekly (06)

*Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge*

Value for October - honesty

15 October 2021

Dear Parents / Carers

Firstly, can I thank all of you who have sent me their best wishes this week, it has been very much appreciated. I am really looking forward to being back next Wednesday. Can I thank our staff team who have all pulled together as always to cover any gaps that my absence might have caused.

## **House Cross Country Run**

We will be holding our annual cross country run next Friday morning at 9:00am. You are all very welcome to stay and watch and cheer on your children if you would like to. We would like everyone to wear a mask please.

## **Autumn Fayre Dancing**

With the cancellation of the Autumn Fayre I am aware that many of the children who were expecting to dance will be feeling very disappointed. I want to reassure you that we will find a way for the children to perform their dances and share them with you.



## **Key Dates**

20 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Interviews for whole school
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	House Cross Country - 9.00am - 9.30am
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	End of Term 1 @ 3.05pm
1 <sup>st</sup> November	Start of Term 2 @ 8.45am
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu immunisations - whole school
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Vision Screening - Reception children only

## **Girls Open 7's Football Tournament**

On Tuesday 5th October we took a fledgling team along to the Oxford Academy in Littlemore for the Girls English Schools' Football Association 7-a-side football tournament. Our team was comprised of players that have been coming to the Tuesday or Thursday after-school clubs and included a number of talented year 4, 5 and 6 players. They did terrifically well, especially being the youngest side there, winning a good number of games and scoring some great goals. With this experience under our belts we can do even better next time! On this occasion we came 4th out of 8 teams. Well done Chloe, Eva, Tobi, Isla, Maya, Ines, Reya, Georgia and Isabel.

## Windmill Primary Football Fixtures 2021



### October

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> 4pm vs New Marston (H) (Y6 Manor Cup)

### November

\*Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> 3.30pm vs Tetsworth (H) (Boys' 7s)

\*Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm vs Wood Farm (H) (Boys' 7s)

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> 3.30pm vs John Hampden (H) (Girls' 7s)

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> 1.30pm vs Church Cowley (A) (Boys' 7s)

### December

\*Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> 3.30pm vs St Nicholas (A) (Girls' 7s)

\*Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> 2pm vs SS Mary & John (A) (Girls' 7s)

\* = After-school club not on, (H) = Home fixture, (A) = Away fixture

### **Harvest**

The biggest thank you to everyone at Windmill from all at Asylum Welcome. As ever, we were totally overwhelmed by your generosity; there were two full carloads of food donations! These items will shortly be delivered to refugees and asylum seekers who are struggling to feed themselves and their families, and this will make such a big difference. Thank you again!

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, Little Amal will be arriving in Oxford! Little Amal is a giant puppet of a refugee girl who is being walked from the Turkey/Syria border to the UK. On October 26<sup>th</sup>, Little Amal will meet Alice in a public event in the city centre (1-3pm). It should be an incredible event and all are welcome! More info here: <https://www.asylum-welcome.org/event/amal-meets-alice-oxford/> and here: <https://www.walkwithamal.org>

Yours faithfully

Lynn Knapp  
Headteacher

**(If any images below are missing please view the Newsletter on the School Website - [www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk))**



## **BLUE SKY BOOK CLUBS – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Are you thinking of volunteering in your local community? Do you have experience of working with or supporting young children? Do you love books and reading?

The Story Museum is seeking volunteers to become Club Leaders in its Blue Sky Book Clubs in local primary schools. Blue Sky Book Clubs is intended to put the joy back into reading by focusing on the story and associated creative activities to aid understanding. Working with small groups of children, you'll get to share stories, characters and themes and do activities including puzzles, riddles and craft. Each school has nine sessions a term to be arranged at a mutually convenient time - the sessions last 45 minutes. As a Club Leader, you'll gain experience of working with students on a literacy project and knowledge of contemporary children's books and authors. You'll also receive training and support, and reimbursement of your travel expenses.

For more information about becoming a Blue Sky Book Club Leader, including a role description and how to apply, [please click here](#). If you'd like to talk to us about establishing a Blue Sky Book Club in your child's school, please email our Volunteer Coordinator, Jessica Corfield at [jessica.corfield@storymuseum.org.uk](mailto:jessica.corfield@storymuseum.org.uk).



## SUMMER HOLIDAY HOCKEY PROGRAM OCTOBER 18th to OCTOBER 29th

- FOR:** Players of all abilities and experience from under 6's to under 18's  
**LOCATION:** Oxford Hawks Hockey Club, Banbury Road OX2 8EQ.  
**TIMES & COST:** From 10:00am – 4:00pm. From £10 per 55 minute session  
**COACHES:** International, Premier League & National League players  
**WEEKLY STRUCTURE:**
- **Mini Camps** EVERY MONDAY / WEDNESDAY / FRIDAY 10-1pm (£30 – aged 5-10)
  - **Defensive Workshop** EVERY TUESDAY 10-1pm (£30)
  - **Attacking Workshop** EVERY WEDNESDAY 10-1pm (£30)
  - **Normal sessions** offered throughout the week – please note minimum numbers will apply (£10)
  - **GK Training** – Minimum numbers apply. £30 per 2 hour session

**Normal Session Themes:**

- **Movement** (Led by Duncan Woods / Ben Ford)
- **Technical** (e.g. Hitting / Pushing / Receiving / Tackling)
- **Game play** (2v1, 3v3 etc)
- **Set Play (e.g. Penalty Corner) skills**
- **Private sessions** (1-1 player for £60 / 2-6 for £72)

NB: GK's are welcome to join the movement sessions (£10) and small group training for £5.

**ALL PRICES SHOWN INCLUDE VAT**

**BOOKING:**

Email [drew@williamshockeycoaching.com](mailto:drew@williamshockeycoaching.com) with preferred days, times and type of session and we'll come back to you with a list of what's available.

You can book as many sessions in a day as you wish. E.g. you could start with a **movement** session, followed by **technical session**, have a session off for lunch and then **Penalty Corners skills** and then finishing the day with **Game play!** (Please just ask if you would like guidance on how to best structure your day).

**PAYMENT:**

Invoices will be raised prior to the sessions and are expected to be settled before attending. We will be adapting a 'No pay No play' policy.

**BURSARY**

We understand the financial pressures on many families at this time and are continuing to offer the bursary fund for players that require it. Please email [drew@williamshockeycoaching.com](mailto:drew@williamshockeycoaching.com) for more information on this.

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