

# Windmill Weekly (28)

*Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge*

Value for April - Empathy

28 April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

## **Another School Strike**

**As you are probably aware there is another School Strike planned for Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2023**

**Please check this plan to see if your child's class is open or not. Please look carefully as there are changes to previous strike days.**

Class	Open or Closed
Explorers	Open
Hedgehogs	Open
Penguins	Open
Strawberry	Open
Ladybirds	Closed
Cherry	Closed
Starfish	Closed
Tigers	Closed
Mandarin	Closed
Sunflowers	Closed
Daffodils	Closed
Dandelions	Closed
Geckos	Closed
Chameleons	Closed
Turtles	Open
Blue Jays	Open
Peacocks	Closed
Kingfishers	Open
Violet	Open
Lavendar	Open
Lilac	Open

### **Coronation Weekend**

To tie in with the Coronation children can come into school wearing clothes that are red, white and blue next Friday if they would like to.

We will also be adding an extra category to the Windmill Bake Off to allow you to design a Coronation cake.

### **Sri Chimney Peace Run**

It was a pleasure to welcome the members of the Sri Chimney Peace Run who visited school yesterday. They were passing through Oxford on their route to Scotland and came to see us on route. The runners

are an international group and they met with the children in an assembly to talk about the reason that they do the run which is all about promoting world peace. The children were very excited to see the torch that they run with once we had agreed it wouldn't set the fire alarms off!

They helped us plant a small tree on the front lawn as a memory of their visit. This is the second time they have come to the school and they were very complimentary about your children!

If you want to know more this is a link to their website.

<https://www.srichinmoyraces.org/>



### Key Dates

1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday
8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday - Coronation Day
9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs week for Year 6
9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Dorset trip
11 <sup>th</sup> May	2.30pm - 3.00pm In Person Communication Meeting 6.30 - 7.00pm Online Communication Meeting
15 <sup>th</sup> May	Windmill Bake Off
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 3 Performance at 2.00pm
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Class group photos
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 Enterprise Day
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Quiz and Curry Night
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Open Morning 8.30am - 9.10am
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Year 5 performance 2.00pm
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 performance 6.00pm
26 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term 5
5 <sup>th</sup> June	First day of term 6
5 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Kilvrough Trip
5 <sup>th</sup> - 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Health Week for whole school
15 <sup>th</sup> June	Summer Dancing
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> June - INSET DAY, school CLOSED

### 100 Club

The winning numbers for the March and April draws are:

	1st - £25	2nd - £15	3rd - £10
March	31	25	17
April	76	108	66

Congratulations to the winners - you should have received an email about claiming your prizes. The 100 club does still have some spaces, so please get in touch if you want to join or just want to learn more about it. Contact via email: wilkinson\_h@hotmail.com or Classlist: Helen Baker.

### Opportunity to join the school's governing board

At Windmill Primary School we are looking for a co-opted governor to join our governing body. As a governor you will be a volunteer who makes a vital contribution to the success of the school:

- helping to set the long-term vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school
- monitoring the quality of education being offered and educational outcomes for pupils
- overseeing the school's financial performance make sure its money is well spent.

There is no requirement for co-opted governors to be parents at the school and we would consider applicants from the wider community who have relevant skills and are able to make a commitment to Windmill. Experience in education or finance would be particularly useful.

We are also keen to ensure that the governing board reflects the diversity of our school community.

If you are interested in applying or would like more information on the role, please contact Nick Hunter, Chair of Governors [nhunter@windmill.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:nhunter@windmill.oxon.sch.uk).

### **Club News**

Tag Rugby for RECEPTION Children is now available. Gavin has been running this club for 12 years.

**Tag Rugby - Gavin Allinson**

**Tuesdays 3.05pm - 4.15pm**

Years RECEPTION

Tues 25 Apr - 11 Jul

Cost £50.00

Booking form <http://bit.ly/windmill-rugby>

Contact: Gavin Allinson: 07403 379977

email [sportgavin@gmail.com](mailto:sportgavin@gmail.com)

### **Orchestra**

Miss Feller has kindly offered to run the school orchestra whilst Mrs Graham is not here. We are grateful for this and orchestra will resume on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May, 3.05 - 4.00pm.

### **Tennis**

As tennis is oversubscribed the tennis club is planning to offer an additional after-school club. The details are just being confirmed and will be circulated on the Windmill App and on the club list, which is posted on the website, in the next few days.

### **Cricket**

Mr Issacs will be running a year 5 and 6 after-school cricket club on Thursdays from 3.15 - 4.00pm.

Registration forms will be distributed in class early next week. The club will start on Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup> of May. Registered children should meet on the field.

### **Design a crown!**

The coronation is coming up on May 6th. It is a national event whether you are a Royalist or a republican. Please colour in, decorate or otherwise embellish a very simple crown sketch to raise money to help refurbish the SEND/well-being room. Any art style permitted. Minimum donation £1.

Electronic entries:

PDF for home printing available via [windmillpta@gmail.com](mailto:windmillpta@gmail.com) or [Caroline.sarton@gmail.com](mailto:Caroline.sarton@gmail.com)

Money: PTA account Barclays 20-65-21 and account 00978604 Ref:Crown

Traditional:

Paper copies will be available at drop off (and maybe pick up if I get any volunteers to help) the week before / after the coronation. Cash accepted or a pinky promise to donate online.

Prizes:

Art themed prizes are available including golden crowns, bubble guns and fancy felt tips....

Judging:

A local artist will judge the competition. The artwork will be available to view in the hall before the curry and quiz night on May 19th.

Completed entries:

A basket will be available in the main school reception for the children to return the entries too or to me at drop off.

### **Curry and Quiz**

Please sign up by the end of today.

Curry and Quiz night is fast approaching. You can book your places and find out more here <https://forms.gle/WLPrjm9W665iADGu9>

It is on Friday 19th May from 7pm - 11pm with delicious curry from Nawabi, a quiz from Mrs Knapp and a well stocked bar. There will be vegetarian and halal options available. Tickets are £18. It is always a fun evening. We extend a particular welcome to parents new to the school, it is a great way to meet other parents. There is no need to organise a quiz team in advance (but you can do if you would like to).

If you are planning on coming, please sign up by the end of today. We know there is a lot of interest, but so far not enough sign ups to meet our minimum numbers.

### **April Physical Challenge**

If you managed to complete a physical challenge over Easter holidays, then congratulations! If you haven't done one yet, there is still time. Once you have completed your challenge, collect up your sponsor money and please pay it into the PTA account

A/c name: Windmill PTA

A/c no. 00978604

Sort code: 20-65-21

Alternatively, you can post your money through the letterbox at 5 York Road or 7 Gladstone Road, or bring it to the playground on Wednesday 3rd May and look out for Naomi who will be holding a sign.

### **PTA meeting**

Our next PTA meeting is on Wednesday 10th May at 7.30pm. Put it in your diary and come and find out more about all things Windmill.

Yours faithfully



Lynn Knapp  
Headteacher

### **Cleaning Vacancy**

Morning cleaner needed. This is for 10 hours per week, 2 hours a day to be worked between 5.00am and 9.00am preferably. The rate of pay is £10.60 per hour - pay rise pending. This can either be an all year round contract or term time plus 3 weeks. Please email [office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk) for a job description and application form or visit our website [www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk) where you can also download an application form.

## Oxford Eid Extravaganza

My name is Mujahid Hamidi and I am part of the team at Oxford Eid Extravaganza. We are hosting our annual family-friendly event this Sunday and would like to invite you and your families to join us in celebration. We would love to welcome everyone with open arms, no matter your heritage, faith (or none), nationality or anything else!

We are proud to announce that this year's event will be held on Sunday 30th April at Cheney School from 12pm - 7pm. Previous years events were attended by nearly 15000 people, and we're hoping the same this year too! That's why we would love to invite everyone at your school for a fun day out this Sunday. There are many rides including bumper cars, climbing wall, high ropes, laser tag, bouncy castles and more to keep your whole family entertained. Although entry is completely free, you can get an Unlimited Rides Wristband for only £13 from this link: <https://eidextravaganza.org/unlimited-rides/>

If rides aren't your thing, then we have a football tournament, food stalls from all corners of the globe and a wide variety of stalls offering products and services like henna, jewellery, natural vegan skincare products, world fashion products, toys and more! And if that isn't enough, we've teamed up with a lot of local organisations offering activities involving foods, cycling, crafts, and pure imagination! There's so much on offer - it would be a shame to miss out!

## All Stars Cricket

All Stars Cricket provides boys and girls from 5-8 years old with 8 weeks of non-stop fun and is running on a Friday after school. Dynamos is for 9-11 years old girls who are also new to cricket and will be on a Tuesday evening alongside Women's training.

The activity and game based ECB (English Cricket Board) programmes are suitable for all skill levels, providing children with the foundations to begin a lifelong love of physical activity and cricket, while making friends in a safe and enjoyable environment.

<https://www.oxfordcricketclub.com/news/all-stars-and-girls-dynamos-2761252.html>



All kids aged 5-11 years old are welcome at Camp iRock

iRock School of Music Presents

# CAMP iRock

SUMMER 2023

ALL KIDS AGED 5-11 YEARS OLD ARE WELCOME AT CAMP iROCK

**31st July - 4th August 2023**  
Didcot, Epsom, Gloucester, Maidenhead, Wokingham, Romford, & Royal Tunbridge Wells

**7th-11th August 2023**  
Alton, Chelmsford, Coulsdon, Didcot, Hemel Hempstead, Romford, Stroud & Rochester

Camp iRock runs for a 5 day week from 8.30 - 4.30 Mon to Fri. End of Week Concert at 14:30 on the Friday!

Form a rock band!  
Rock out in a rock concert!  
Create your own music video!  
Record your own songs!  
Star in a photo shoot!

Includes T-shirt and MP3 plus music video and downloadable photos

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