

Windmill Weekly (07)

Achievement through Creativity, Community and Challenge

Value for October - Honesty

20 October 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

Autumn Fayre Dancing

Thank you so much for making sure that your children were able to perform at the Autumn Fayre last Saturday. I was so proud of their performances. It was a real treat to work with the children learning the dances and to see so many children wanting to take part!

Autumn Fayre

Please can I say a huge thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the Autumn Fayre so successful last weekend. Thank you also if you were able to come to the event and supported it by spending money.

Cross Country Rescheduled

Unfortunately, due to wet weather we have had to reschedule our annual Cross Country event. It will now take place on Friday 3 November.



Key Dates

30 October 2023	First day of term 2
31 October 2023	Deadline for Year 6 to apply for Secondary School
1 November 2023	Open Evening for Reception children 2024 - 5pm - 6pm
3 November 2023	Cross Country
6 November 2023	E Safety meeting for parents 3.30pm - 4.15pm
13 - 17 November 2023	Anti Bullying Week
17 November	Takeover Day
23 November	8.30am - 9.10am Open Morning for whole school
24 November	Year 1 and Year 6 Cake Sale
4 December	Pantomime - Jack and the Bean Stalk
7 December	9.15am - 10.00am Reception Christmas Play
7 December	Winter Lights 4.30pm

Diwali

As a school community we are really looking forward to learning about and celebrating Diwali in November. We would love to share some pictures of Windmill families celebrating from previous years. If you would be happy to send us a picture we can show in a Diwali assembly please email it to njarvstad@windmill.oxon.sch.uk by 31st October. Alternatively, if you would like to come in and talk to your child's class about Diwali please let their teacher know. Thank you!
Mrs Rosewarne and Mrs Jarvstad

100 Club

The winning numbers for the September and October draw are:

	1st - £25	2nd - £15	3rd - £10
September	37	1	9
October	76	53	38

Congratulations to the winners - you should have received an email about claiming your prizes. We are currently at very close to 100 numbers, but there will likely be another chance to join in Feb/March time as spaces come up. Do get in touch if you'd like to be part of it!

Poppy Appeal

We will once again be selling items on behalf of the Royal British Legion. Suggested donation of £1. Boxes will go around the classes after the half term.

Holiday Cards and Gifts - Order Deadline on WEDNESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER at 11.59 p.m.!

Your child should have brought home a sample card of their brilliant holiday artwork and instructions for how to order items online. Options this year include cards, tags, mugs, tote bags, cushion covers, jigsaw puzzles, placemats, teddy bears and lots more! Hopefully, there will be something for everyone, and some lovely gift ideas for your loved ones.

Please note: the order deadline is on WEDNESDAY 1st NOVEMBER at 11.59 p.m! No late orders will be processed. Ordering should be done directly through the online shop at approve.myfundraisinghub.com.

All items purchased raise money for the school via the Windmill PTA! Last year, we raised £745 which is all spent on school resources for the children.

Please keep the instructions card safe as they contain codes that are unique to your child's artwork. If you lose your codes before logging in for the first time, please contact Oriana Borschmann via email (ori7b@hotmail.com) or Classlist to obtain new codes. Feel free to also contact Oriana with any other questions you may have, she's happy to help! Enjoy the gorgeous art and happy shopping!

School Dinners / Packed Lunch

The cost of school dinners for term 2 (Mon 30 Oct - Weds 20 Dec) is £91.20. Please note that school meals must be ordered and paid for in advance. If you pay weekly (£12.00), payments must be paid by Monday morning for the week ahead. Please use the School Gateway App to make lunch money payments.

Download the free app. Search School Gateway in your app store and download.

Apple iPhone users <http://schoolgateway.co.uk/iosdownload>

Android phone users <http://schoolgateway.co.uk/androiddownload>

A reminder that pupils must have either school meals all term or packed lunches all term, we cannot cater for children having meals on odd days.

IMPORTANT - If your child would like to switch their meal preference, please email the school office on office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk on or before the first day of term. If we are unaware that your child has switched from packed lunch to school dinner, a dinner will not have been ordered for them and if your child switches from school dinner to packed lunch and you have not informed the office, you will be charged for the meal that has been prepared.

If you are in receipt of any income related benefits you may be able to claim free school meals, please check with the office if you think you may be eligible. The office email address is office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk.



19th October 2023

Dear Lynn,

I am writing on behalf of Asylum Welcome to thank you, and all the children and their parents, for their fantastically generous gifts of food for our food bank – an incredible total of over 700 items, which as you know we could hardly fit into the van! This is a huge boost to our supplies, and means that we will have enough food in the weeks and months ahead to keep up our efforts to provide basic necessities to the refugees and asylum seekers who depend on these contributions to meet their needs. Asylum seekers (who are going through the process of applying to become refugees) are not allowed to work, and cannot access mainstream benefits – they receive only minimal support towards their essential living expenses. As a result, many are destitute, and some are even homeless. The food that you have donated will go directly to helping people like these to have enough to eat from day to day. The food bank is currently supporting over 100 people in this way. In addition to non-perishable items (such as your donations) we also provide them with fresh food (mainly from the Oxford Food Hub), enabling them to have healthy and nutritious meals.

As well as the food bank, Asylum Welcome helps asylum seekers to navigate the asylum application process, including helping them to get legal advice on immigration when needed; and to access whatever financial support they can. A dedicated Youth team works with asylum seekers under the age of 25, including many unaccompanied children. For those clients who already have refugee status, we offer advice on educational and employment opportunities, as well as helping them with all sorts of issues that are particularly challenging for people whose first language is not English, such as accessing healthcare and benefits. We also have teams dedicated to providing clients with donated bikes, laptops and phones.

I hope that I have given you a little glimpse of the range of issues that Asylum Welcome deals with every day. The food bank is a central plank in our efforts to make people seeking refuge in Oxford to feel welcome here, and a massive contribution such as yours will make a very real difference. So, again, very heartfelt thanks from all of us!

With very best wishes,

Janet Stewart
Volunteer Food Bank Coordinator

Asylum Welcome

Working with refugees and asylum seekers

Patrons: Dr. Uwe Kitzinger CBE; Rt Rev Steven Croft, Bishop of Oxford

Unit 7, Newtec Place • Magdalen Road • Oxford OX4 1RE

Tel: 01865 722082 • www.asylum-welcome.org

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I hope that you all have a very happy half-term break, and if you are using this as an opportunity to have some time away I hope that you have a lovely holiday.

Yours faithfully



Lynn Knapp
Headteacher

Vacancies on our website: - www.windmill.oxon.sch.uk

- Morning (2 hours between 5.00am and 9.00am) or Evening (3.00pm - 5pm) Cleaner

If you are interested in any of these positions please complete the OCC Support Application Form (downloaded from our website) and return to office.2527@windmill.oxon.sch.uk.

At the Oxford University Museum of Natural History we are hosting The Great Big Dinosaur Show during October half-term. This family show is performed by poet Simon Mole and his friend Gecko and it's full of poems, rap and songs to learn more about these prehistoric creatures. Suitable for ages 3-11 years.

There will be four shows on **Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th October** and they are free but booking is required. Families can book via our website or there will be some tickets available to book on the day at the Museum Welcome Desk.

The show is free but [booking is required](#).

~~23 October 13:15-14:00~~ Bookable tickets sold out*

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MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

M&S CAFES

Spend £5 & get one free kid's meal Mon - Fri during the Oct Half term (various dates)

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI

From Monday 16th October - Friday 27th 2023 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE Monday - Friday from Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.



RUGBY CAMP

OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY

OXFORD QUINS RFC BOYS & GIRLS RUGBY CAMP

U8's-U13's
23RD-25TH OCTOBER
9:30AM-15:30PM

- ENJOY 3 ACTION PACKED DAYS OF RUGBY
- EXPERT COACHING FROM THE OXFORD QUINS COMMUNITY COACHING TEAM LED BY FORMER PROFESSIONAL PLAYER TOM VARDELL
- COME ALONG TO OUR FANATSTIC TRAINING FACILITY AT HORSPTH SPORTS GROUND

£30
PER DAY

£10 extra
for early dropoff
at 8:30am
& late pickup
17:00pm

**BRING
PACKED
LUNCH**
*NO NUTS



TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST, PLEASE SCAN QR CODE OR EMAIL
COMMUNITY@OXFORDHARLEQUINS.ORG



October Holiday Clubs

St Nicholas' Primary School, Oxford

These clubs are open to children aged 3-11

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October

Activities include dodgeball, dance, drama, yoga, multi skills, ball games, art and crafts, team and confidence building activities and much more.



Cost: £35 per day
All childcare vouchers accepted

Timings: 8am-5pm

To find out more or to book visit
www.rattleandrollperformance.com
or call 07722 014301





the
national
sleep
helpline

Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle
with your child's
bedtime?

Will your child
not sleep in
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

 **03303 530 541**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am



**Around 50% of
children will have
a sleep issue at
some point***

WHAT IS THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE?

In partnership with Furniture Village, The Sleep Charity has launched a brand new National Sleep Helpline to ensure that everyone has access to high quality, evidence-based advice.

HOW CAN THE NATIONAL SLEEP HELPLINE HELP YOU?

- Run by a team of specialist trained sleep advisors
- Offer you some practical strategies and recommend services that could help
- Ensuring you understand how sleep plays an important part in your child's mental health and wellbeing
- Listen without judgement and help you decide what next steps are right for you
- Empower you with sleep knowledge so you can understand why your child might not be sleeping well and how that can change

03303 530 541

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Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am





Celebrating Black History Month

Join us for an afternoon of free fun filled multi sports including, roller skating, football, volleyball and more.

Friday 27th of October
12:00-17:00

Leys Leisure Centre, Pegasus Road,
OX4 6HL

Ages 10+



www.oxford.gov.uk

