



Newsletter

No 17 – 13th June 2025



Succeed ~ Happy ~ Independent ~ Nurtured ~ Excited
with perseverance ~ with respect & honesty ~ and courageous ~ with compassion~ with teamwork



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been really wonderful seeing the children enjoying the OPAL playtimes and lunchtimes this week and experimenting with all the new equipment including an obstacle course, the pond area and slide building. It always amazes me how well the children use their imaginations as well as working together as a team.

I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Wiles and Mrs Richards for running the cycling proficiency over the last two weeks. I know the children have thoroughly enjoyed it.

Mrs Veeder, Executive Headteacher

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Absent from School?

If your child is absent from school for any reason, please don't forget to let us know. Absences are recorded in our registers with the appropriate reason code, i.e illness, medical appointment etc. Where no reason is given the absence is recorded as "unauthorised" and may be investigated by the Educational Welfare Officer.

Please remember that requests for absence should be authorised. See website for Absence Policy for further details.

PLEASE NOTIFY US ABOUT THE ABSENCE BY TELEPHONING SCHOOL ON 01367 860318 AND SELECTING OPTION 1 OR 4 TO LEAVE A MESSAGE. PLEASE DO NOT DOJO OR EMAIL.



Parking Around School

As we are at the start of a new term, please may we remind parents to respect our neighbours when parking near the school. From time to time we do receive complaints. Please help us keep this to a minimum by not blocking drives, gateways, parking on the corner of The Elms and keeping clear of the zig-zag lines. As previously advised, the Police do monitor the parking situation and you may be fined if you are not parking safely.



OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD OFFICER IS
PCSO 6599 DARRYN MOULDING

cartertonNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk or

Telephone 101



Excited with Teamwork



"To be the best we can be for ourselves and others"




This is illustrated by the parable the Good Samaritan, Luke 10:25-27


 Time to **SHINE** at St Christopher's 




"To Be the Best we can be for ourselves and others"


The awards last week went to:

 Woody for great effort in writing and maths

 Blake being the best in all areas of his learning.


 Eden for being kind and thoughtful.


 Harley for settling into his new class so well.


 Maddie for being the best across all subjects this week.


 Jacob for stepping out of his comfort zone and being great in the play!


The awards this week went to:

 Lottie for settling in to Cherry Class so well and trying hard in all her learning.


 Sol for being the best in all areas of his learning.

 Lola, Mason and Nico for consistently showing readiness to learn and setting the class a good example.

 Harley for showing great resilience and confidence in challenging and answering in maths.

 Daisy for her dedication and enthusiasm in the rehearsal of Peter Pan

 Alexander for amazing performance practice and for being brilliant.

 Harry for always being the best he can be at Breakfast Club.

SHINE STARS – each week children and staff can award individuals for showing our vision. The names are written on a star and displayed in the entrance hall on our vision display.

Our "SHINE STARS" are:

Alex, Luna-Rose, Maddie, Maya

for

helping others, great team work, never giving up and being a great friend



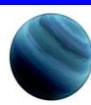
House Points



JUPITER



MERCURY



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THE HOUSE WINNERS LAST TERM WERE:



JUPITER



Diary Dates

16 th June	17 th June	18 th June	19 th June	20 th June
 Fire & Rescue Safety Presentation Year 5 & 6 3.15pm Nature Club	 Hazel Class IWM Trip  Willow Class Swimming	3.15pm Hartist Club	Lunchtime KS1 Hartist Club 3.15pm Chess Club	 8.45am Everyone Welcome! Lunchtime Girls Football Club
23 rd June	24 th June	25 th June	26 th June	27 th June
Burford Partnership of Schools Year 2 Music Festival  3.15pm Nature Club	 Willow Class Swimming	3.15pm Hartist Club	Shuffle Up Morning Lunchtime KS1 Hartist Club 3.15pm Chess Club	Lunchtime Girls Football Club
30 th June	1 st July	2 nd July	3 rd July	4 th July
 ARMED FORCES DAY Forces & Friends Fun Day Don't forget packed lunch! 3.15pm Nature Club	 Willow Class Swimming	Burford Partnership of Schools Year 2 All Stars Cricket  3.15pm Hartist Club	 SPORTS DAY Parents invited at 8.40am Finish time 10.00am Details to follow Lunchtime KS1 Hartist Club	Lunchtime Girls Football Club  st. Christopher's Parents' Association Summer Fete 3.15pm
7 th July	8 th July	9 th July	10 th July	11 th July
 Cherry Class Trip  all things wild	Hazel, Willow, Oak Performance 6pm  PETER PAN	3.15pm Hartist Club Hazel, Willow, Oak Performance 6pm  PETER PAN	Lunchtime KS1 Hartist Club	
14 th July	15 th July	16 th July	17 th July	18 th July
		Year 6 Leavers Service  9am School Hall		Last day of term 



Last week and this week some of the Year 5 and 6 children did cycle proficiency training and test.



I am proud to announce that all passed.



Mrs Wiles, Cycling Tutor

OAK CLASS NEWS

TERM 5 HIGHLIGHTS

It's been a busy and exciting Term 5 for Oak Class! We kicked off the term with a visit to Burford School, where our Year 4s took part in a range of engaging games and activities designed to explore different languages. The children were enthusiastic, respectful, and excellent ambassadors for our school.

Back in class, we delved into our learning about VE Day, listening to original radio broadcasts from the time to help us understand the emotions and experiences of that period. The children responded with thoughtful, empathetic writing, which is now proudly displayed outside the school hall for all to enjoy.

As part of our creative curriculum, Oak Class has been working on an exciting project all about teeth. The children have been using animations, props, and scripts to produce short videos, combining science with storytelling. We can't wait to share their brilliant work with Maple and Ginkgo classes very soon!

Inspired by *The Wild Robot*, the class has also been designing expressive animated faces and constructing creatures with moveable joints. Their creativity and imagination have really shone through! Next term, we're looking forward to building on this work by writing scripts and filming our own robotic creations.

Mrs Timms, Oak Class Teacher





🥕 OAK CLASS NEWS 🥕

BURFORD PARTNERSHIP OF SCHOOLS YEAR 5 ENRICHMENT DAY

On Thursday 5th June, those of us in Year 5 went off to Burford Secondary School to take part in the Enrichment Day. We took part in lots of exciting lessons like Geography (building a new playground); English (creating stories) and DT (making Fairy Cakes).

We had a great time in these lessons and really enjoyed meeting the teachers. *Mr Lenton – Willow Class*



The latest newsletter from the Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust Primary School Health Nursing team was sent out to parents last week. This and other issues can be found on the school website.

[School Health Nursing Service | St Christopher's Church of England School](#)

MONTH OF THE
MILITARY CHILD



AirTanker

As part of the Month of the Military Child in April, local schools were invited to participate in Airtanker's Colouring Competition which was open to all children from Reception to Year 6.

We were delighted that Emily in Year 1 was invited to spend a morning at RAF Brize Norton, visit the Airtanker Hub and had a Hangar tour in recognition of her artwork. Emily also got to meet the Chief Financial Officer Olivier Ast who is the patron of the families network.



The
Library
Oxfordshire



Story Garden



Explore nature with a **FREE** children's reading challenge at your local Oxfordshire library!

5 July to 6 September 2025

The 2025 Summer Reading Challenge, **Story Garden**, celebrates adventure, fantasy and the great outdoors.

Tap into a world of imagination through reading and exploring the magical connection between storytelling and nature.



Finish the challenge and get your own medal and certificate!



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