



Newsletter – July 2016

Dear Parents,

I am writing this newsletter thinking about the fantastic time the year 5 & 6 pupils have had in France. Those of you who have been reading the tweets will know that the experience has been amazing- something the children will remember for the rest of their lives. Most moving for me was the laying of the white roses on the World War 1 German soldiers' graves, at the request of a group of German Soldiers - what solidarity.

The year 2 and 3 children have had a very interesting week learning about bees, which included a Bee Keeper visit on Monday. Thank you to Mrs Baker for organising everything and Miss Mahmood, who was helping us for the week.

I would also like to say a big thank you to the Infant children who behaved superbly at Sports Day and also the year 1 and 2 classes who had a wonderful time at Waddesdon Manor. See below the letter we received from Farmer Dan. A big Well Done to all the children (and staff) who completed the Tour de Vale cycle ride last weekend. You make us very proud.

Thank you also for your co-operation in transporting the year 2s to the junior site for their taster day. I know that it was a very helpful experience for them. Can I just remind you that we have organised the school day so that it is possible for you to drop off and collect children from both sites; infant children do not need to be collected early.

Well done to the year 1, 2 and 3 children who represented our school at the HASSP sports event at Haddenham St Marys. I was very proud of you and you were great ambassadors for our school. A particular mention to the year 3 group leaders who had to manoeuvre their teams around the events.

I know that some of you have been emailing Mrs Chaplin about the proposed After School Club. I have taken on board your comments and will review the situation in the autumn term with the governors and senior teachers. Please make sure that you express your interest, regardless of the proposed site, as we will then get a much clearer picture of demand. As Mrs Chaplin explained, the response wasn't great enough, not just in an expression of interest but also in the number of sessions people required. Those of you who have been here a while will remember that Breakfast Club took a while to gain momentum and was initially started only on one site.

Please remember to check the diary dates as there are lots of end of term activities taking place.

Mrs K Price

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LOVE

INTEGRITY

RESILIENCE

Our value for this half-term is **Belief** and we will be sharing the following bible readings with the children:

John 20:29

Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Philippians 4:13

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

Green Awards

Please follow the link below to find out about our submission to the Green Awards. We were regional winners and have received a cheque which is going towards the Pond Development project on the junior site.

Below is an extract from the email sent to the school:

Many congratulations for being a Regional Winner in the Total Green School Awards! We received entries from almost 34,000 children, so being selected to win an Award is a real achievement, especially as standards were so high this year. You can see a summary of your entry, together with summaries of all the other winners of the 2016 Awards, by visiting <http://totalgreenschoolawards.org/winners/>.

French Café

All the junior children have experienced a bit of French life over the last two weeks. Mrs Chaplin organised a French cafe for the children where they took it in turns to be customers and waiters. They were only allowed to speak French! It was a very valuable experience. "C'était formidable mes enfants. Merci à Madame Chaplin, Madame Bockmuehl et Madame Simpson."

Second Hand Uniform Sale

An amazing £262 was raised at the recent second-hand uniform sale for new parents. Thank you to all parents who donated uniform and especially to Mrs Reading and her team for running the sale. A further Thank You to Mrs Hadley who kindly served refreshments.

Holiday Club

We have had a large number of bookings for the summer holiday club and can confirm that all those who have already sent in a form have been allocated a place. We do still have spaces available every day but please book early to avoid disappointment.

Thank You Letter from Farmer Dan at Waddesdon Manor Farm

Our year 1 and 2 children recently visited Waddesdon Farm and wrote Thank You letters to Farmer Dan and his team. We thought you would like to see the reply we received:

Dear children

It was wonderful to meet you all last week on our 'Field to Fork Day' at Waddesdon Farm. The rain did not spoil our fun and it was great fun showing you all the different activities that help us to grow wheat and make flour. Your wonderful cards are a real treasure and we were all delighted to see such beautiful handwriting. You were all very good at remembering the numbers on the weigh bridge including how much Farmer Dan weighed! It is wonderful to know that your bread rolls were delicious...they did look yummy...now you can help with the baking at home!

Hope you have lots of fun at school, and in the summer see how many combine harvesters you can spot bringing in the wheat and barley crops? Also, don't forget to give the farmers a big wave as we like to see happy faces!

From Farmer Dan, Chrissie, Sarah, Katie and of course Maisie, the Jersey Cow.

Reminders and Notifications

- We will not be issuing any further library books this term.
- May we remind you to park sensibly and with consideration for other road users and local residents in the small lanes around Cuddington village. There was an incident this morning where the school bus and a number of other vehicles were unable to drive along Lower Church Street because of a car that had been parked on a particularly narrow part of the lane. In the event of an emergency, a fire engine or ambulance would not have been able to pass. Thank you for your cooperation.
- Please look out for Breakfast Club and Hot Meals booking forms that will be coming home with your child at the end of next week. The forms will also be available on the website.

Diary Dates

(New dates in bold)

04.07.16	District Athletics at Stoke Mandeville Stadium, 5-8pm
05.07.16	Mandeville and Waddesdon Upper Schools Transfer Day
05.07.16	Year 5 Transfer Test Meeting for parents, 6pm in the junior hall
07.07.16	John Colet Upper School Transfer Day
08.07.16	John Colet and Princes Risborough Upper Schools Transfer Day
08.07.16	Reports home to parents
09.07.16	Cuddington Village Fete
11.07.16	Princes Risborough Upper School Transfer Day
12.07.16	Our Moving up Day (children meet their new teacher, year 2 to junior site)
12.07.16	AGS, AHS, Sir Henry Floyd, Princes Risborough Transfer Day
12.07.16	Finance, Premises and Personnel meeting 6pm
13.07.16	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (Y6 parents invited), 10am, Junior Hall
14.07.16	Year 2 parents' Open Sessions at 9.30am and 6pm on the junior site
15.07.16	Parent Forum, 9am on infant site
18.07.16	No clubs this week
18.07.16	Foundation to Cotswold Farm Park
19.07.16	Year 6 Leavers' show at the junior site from 6pm
21.07.16	Break Up for Summer Holidays, 1.15/1.30pm
21.07.16	Kids Club – end of term movie at the Bernard Hall, 2pm (flyer to follow)
01.08 – 12.08.16	Summer Holiday Club at the junior site
01&02.09.16	Inset Days
05.09.16	Return to school
21.10.16	Break Up for half-term, mufti day
31.10.16	Return to school
16.12.16	Break up for Christmas holiday at 1.15/1.30pm