

# **Newsletter – April 2016**

#### Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a good Easter break and made the most of the sunshine.

The children have all returned eager and keen to work- which is fantastic. As always, the summer term is jam-packed: France, new Foundation parents and children visiting, SATs, the summer concert, cycling lessons, the list seems endless! We are looking forward to celebrating the Queens 90th birthday and have decided to tie this in with our annual Infant "Singing around the Village" event on June 10th. Please keep an eye out for additional activities on this day.

As some of you will be aware, the Government has issued a White paper on Education. It includes the desire to convert all schools to academies. The Governors and staff are looking very closely at how this will impact on Cuddington and Dinton. We will keep you informed of any decisions. At the moment, we are at the information gathering stage, so that we can formalise a considered response.

#### **Mrs K Price**

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

"Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. Respect what is right in the sight of all men." Romans 12:17

"Whatever is true, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is good, if there is any excellence and if anything is worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things." Philippians 4:8

### **Second Hand Uniform Sale**

The next uniform sale will take place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 3pm on the infant site. Mrs Reading, who is responsible for the sales, has devised an order form for those of you who are unable to attend the sale. A copy of the form is attached to the newsletter. Please note that you will need to send your requests for uniform on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April in order that they can be received by Mrs Reading before the sale.

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Children may wear summer uniform this term and until such time as the weather dictates otherwise in the autumn term. Please note that summer uniform is compulsory on the day of the class photographs (see Diary dates).

## **May Ball Menu Replies**

If you have not already done so, please send in your menu requests for the May Ball on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April. It is imperative that the menu choices are received by then as they have to be forwarded on to the caterers by our F4CADS committee.

### **Story Writing Competition Winners**

Following a visit from local author Tim Bradley, year 6 all entered a competition to write an historical adventure about the book character 'Arnie Jenks', first read about in 'Arnie Jenks and the House of Strangers.' Tim Bradley started by saying that he was very impressed by the high quality of the entries. All children received a bag of Haribo for entering the competition and the winners were Theo (1<sup>st</sup>), Tommy (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Zoe (3<sup>rd</sup>).The



winning entries will be displayed at Haddenham Library.

### **Water Bottles**

As from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April Foundation and Year 1 children will be provided with a water bottle in school and do not need to bring in their own bottle from home.

# **Haddenham Cycle Training**

Please see attached booking forms for Haddenham Cycle Training's bikeability courses for Year 3-6 starting on 12<sup>th</sup> May. There are two different forms; one for year 3 and 4 and the second for years 5 and 6.

### Request for compost

Any donations of compost would be gratefully received on the junior site.

### **Bucks Herald Competition**

Chloe Lambert, writer for the Bucks Herald, is running a competition in the run-up to the Queen's 90th Birthday later this month. Readers are invited to plant a pot/tub/planter of any size or material with plants/ flowers to celebrate the Queen's Birthday. There are two

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classes: Children under the age of sixteen on April 21, 2016, including all pupils at Cuddington & Dinton C of E School; and Adults. The tub/planter/pot must be located somewhere within the parishes of Dinton with Ford & Upton (which includes Gibraltar, Coldharbour (Fairford Leys)) or Stone with Bishopstone & Hartwell;

Some local businesses have already kindly agreed to donate prizes (the Seven Stars in Dinton, the Crown in Cuddington, the Bugle Horn in Stone, Hartwell Nurseries in Stone, and Greens Furnishings of Thame). In Chloe's news column next week she will include details of a day that Hartwell Nurseries have kindly agreed to hold, when children and adults can come and receive advice on planting, colours, etc. The winners' pots/planters/tubs will be displayed at the Parish Tea Party on the Green in Westlington on Sunday 12 June. If you want to know more, please email Chloe at <a href="mailto:chloe.starveal@gmail.com">chloe.starveal@gmail.com</a>.

### **Haddenham St Mary's Dance Show**

Please note that the dates for Dance Show have been amended and are now 23<sup>rd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016. If you have already sent in a reply slip for your child, there is no need to reply again but please do note the date change. A copy of the letter with the correct dates is attached.

### **Diary Dates**

Diary Dates	
19.04.16	Second Hand Uniform Sale, 3pm, Infant site
20.04.16	Junior Family Service, 9am, Dinton Church
27.04.16	Infant Family Service, 9.10am, Cuddington Church
27.04.16	TLSA Governors' meeting, 4pm, Junior site
27.04.16	Sex and Relationship Evening for Y5 and 6 Parents, 7pm, Junior Hall
28.04.16	Years 5 and 6 to Imperial War Museum (coach leaves at 8am, returns at 4pm)
04.05.16	Church Network Meeting
09.05.16	Year 6 SATS week – all instrument lessons cancelled
09.05.16	Years 3 and 4 to College Lake (details to follow)
10.05.16	FPP Governors' meeting
12.05.16	Junior Cycling
12.05.16	Junior Summer Concert (more details to follow)
14.05.16	School Ball
19.05.16	Junior Cycling
20.05.16	Parent Forum, 9am on the Junior site
23.05.16	Bags2School Day
23.05.15	Dance Show at Haddenham St Mary's School
24.05.16	Year 6 to Hazard Alley
25.05.16	Dance Show at Haddenham St Mary's School
26.05.16	Mufti Day
26.05.16	Junior Cycling
26.05.16	Break Up at 3.10/3.25pm
27.05.16	Inset Day
06.06.16	Return to school
09.06.16	Junior Cycling
10.06.16	Queen Elizabeth's 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday - Infants Singing round the Village (parents
	welcome 9.15-10.15am)
13.06.16	Phonics Testing Week for Year 1
14.06.16	Junior Sports Day, pm

15.06.16	Junior Family Service, 9am in Dinton Church
15.06.16	Governors' FGB meeting on the Junior site at 6.30pm
17.06.16	Infant Sports Day, pm
19.06.16	Education Sunday at Stone School
20.06.16	Infant Class Photographs
20.06.16	Junior Barnabus Day
21.06.16	Junior Class and Team Photographs
22.06.16	Infant Family Service, 9.10am in Cuddington Church
22.06.16	Reserve Sports Day for Juniors, pm
23.06.16	Year 6 to Oxford Diocese Leavers' Day (more details to follow)
24.06.16	New Foundation parents meeting 9.30am
24.06.16	Reserve Sports Day for Infants, pm
27.06.16	Year 5 & 6 France trip departs
01.07.16	Year 5 & 6 France trip returns
05.07.16	Mandeville and Waddesdon Upper Schools Transfer Day
05.07.16	Year 5 Transfer Test Meeting for parents
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)
12.07.16	AGS, AHS, Sir Henry Floyd, Princes Risborough Transfer Day
13.07.16	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (Y6 parents invited), 10am, Junior Hall
18.07.16	No clubs this week
21.07.16	Break Up for Summer Holidays, 1.15/1.30pm
01&02.09.16	Inset Days
05.09.16	Return to school
13.09.16	Year 6 Familiarisation Test
15.09.16	Year 6 Transfer Test

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