

Newsletter June 2014



Dear Parents,

A huge thank you to those people who attended the ball. We raised a staggering \pounds 12,400. This money is going to be used for the Infant rebuild. Now that we have planning permission, we hope to start phase two during the summer holidays.

We have just trialed a new Governor visit programme. The intention is that two Governors will be linked to a class and follow that class throughout their time at the school. The Governors will visit at least once a term and get to know that cohort of children well. This will ensure that Governors can confidently understand the way the school is managed and the progress the children are making.

Mrs K Price

School Values

This half term we are looking at **Belief**. We shall be looking at personal belief and self belief.

Our bible verses are:

<u>John 20:29</u> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Sports Day

As ever, we are hoping for good weather from 1.30pm on 13th June for the Junior Sports and 1.30pm on 17th June for the Infant Sports. Both events will be run by Ignite Sports. We would love to see as many of you as possible come and cheer on your children. Please park either at the Church (junior event) or the village partying field (Infant event).

Barnabas

On Thursday 5th June, John from Barnabas came to school. He spent the day with the children; leading class workshops on 'The Uniqueness of me'. This visit was kindly paid for by St Nicholas Church, Cuddington. The children had a wonderful time learning about God most precious gift- us, thorough drama and stories.

Below is a poem written by two year 3 pupils after John's Workshop:

Amazing

Appearance doesn't matter Many creators are proud of their work but not as proud as God All of us are special in different ways Zero of us are nobodys It is our chance to shine like a star Nobody is the same as anyone else God loves us all very much! By Carla and Rosa

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Infant Free School Meals

From September 2014 all Infant aged pupils will be eligible for free school meals every day. We intend to continue with Cygnet for the foreseeable future. You will still need to fill in the meal choice forms but no longer have to pay. You are not obliged to have the lunches if you would prefer your child to continue having a packed lunch.

We will therefore be providing hot lunches on both sites every day. Unfortunately, the junior lunches still have to be paid for. I know that many of you will be delighted that Friday will no longer be a compulsory packed lunch day!

Students in School

We have two PGCE student teachers working in the school at the moment: Miss Moseley in year 5 and Miss Stanley working in year 2. As this is their final placement, they are teaching the class for most of the time. The children have made them very welcome and we have been very impressed with their professionalism and quality of teaching. In Foundation we have a student from Aylesbury College who is working two days a week and will be following the children into year 1 until October.

Music Concert at the Junior site - 18th June 7-9.30pm

Further details to follow shortly.

Cycling

Detailed information about cycle classes for junior pupils will follow shortly. In brief, the year 5 and 6 lessons will be happening on a Thursday afternoon in school time with the year 3 and 4 lessons happening after school. This is a wonderful opportunity for our pupils and we would love as many as possible to take part.

Filing Cabinet

We still have one large grey filing cabinet that needs a home. Please contact the office if you would like it.

Diary Dates (items in bold are new to the calendar)

June	
6.6.14	Year 1 & 2 trip to Waddesdon
	Year 6 Mandeville Sports
9.6.14	Year 3 & 4 Stone Age Day
11.6.14	Full Governing Body meeting
	Church group meeting
	Infant class photos
12.6.14	Junior Class photos
13.6.14	Miss Spencer (year 1), Headteacher for the morning
	Junior Sports afternoon 1.30pm onwards
15.6.14	Education Sunday at Stone School
17.6.14	Family Service Junior site
	Infant Sports afternoon 1.30pm onwards
18.6.14	Junior Music Concert
19.6.14	Junior Cycling starts
20.6.14	Reserve Junior Sports Day
23.6.14	Year 5 & 6 to France
	New Foundation Parent visit

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24.6.14Infant Family Service
Reserve Infant Sports Day26.6.14Foundation to Waddesdon Manor

- 27.6.14 Year 5 & 6 return from France
- 1.7.14 Year 6 Transfer day
 - Children to meet their new teacher
- 2.7.14 Year 5 Secondary Transfer Test meeting, 6.30pm Junior hall
- 4.7.14 Year 2 Bernewode singing festival at Long Crendon School Friends4CaDS Disco
- 7.7.14 HASSP Infant athletics event 1.15pm Junior site (information to follow)
- 8.7.14 Year 6 Leavers' Service at Oxford Cathedral Splats morning for Year 2 & 3 on the junior site (information to follow)
- 9.7.14 Year 2 parents meeting, Transition to the Junior site 6.00pm
- 10.7.14 Life Education bus to Junior site (years 5,3,4)
- 11.7.14 Life Education bus to Junior site (year 6)
- 12.7.14 Cuddington Fete
- 13.7.14 Dinton Cricket Club Family Day
- 15.7.14 Leavers' Service. Whole school to St Peter and St Paul's Church+ Year 6 parents
- 17.7.14 Year 6 Leavers' Show 7pm
- 21.7.14 Year 3 & 4 trip to St Albans
- 23.7.14 Finish School Infants 1.15pm

Juniors 1.30pm

September

- 4.9.14 Return to School
- 9.9.14 Secondary Transfer Test familiarization
- 11.9.14 Secondary Transfer Test
- 29.9.14 Individual photos- Infant
- 30.9.14 Individual photos -Junior

Friends 4 CADS February Update

The Blitz and Glitz Ball raised a fantastic amount this year, $\pm 12,441.32$. Thank you to everyone who came to the ball and those of you that bought raffle tickets.

Race Night - we were all really disappointed and surprised that this had to be cancelled, especially after all the hard work put in by the race committee; we hope that this will not put anyone off helping out in the future.

School Disco - the end of year disco will be held on the 4th July in the junior school hall. Please look out for a flyer that will be sent home in the children's book bag.

Parent mail - CADS will be sending out a parent mail asking you what fundraising events people would like organised. We will also be putting a flyer into the book bags which you can send back into school.

Lesley Arnott