

Weekly Newsletter

Message from Mrs Wilde

Dear Parents and Carers,

[An enormous thank you to Mrs Coats who organised a brilliant team from F4CADS to help complete the new Forest School area.](#) A special mention to Mr and Mrs Hoskings and Mr Poulton for sourcing and delivering tons of soil and woodchip. The area is looking incredible and will allow our pupils to learn in the outside environment for years to come. Miss Bailey, who is just coming to the end of her year-long Forest School accredited training, is delighted with the developments and busy making plans.

Everyone has enjoyed wearing their own clothes for Mufti today. [Please make a donation to Cancer Research UK here.](#)

Our [Spirited Arts exhibition was held at the Infants](#) last week. The pupils' thoughtful representations of places special to them were both thought provoking and entertaining. The Junior exhibition is today.

Monday saw our [Year 4 Garsington Opera workshop](#). It was a joy to work in the office and hear professional opera singers and our delightful children's voices! The children benefited from a unique cultural experience.

Wednesday heralded the annual [drumming performance](#) to parents. Our talented drummers performed with great gusto, led by the energetic Mr Heard!

[Little Owls 'Secret Storyteller' has proved a big hit this term](#), bringing books to life read by a secret reader. Thanks to the parents for embracing the challenge with exceptional costumes.

Finally, a gentle reminder that children are only allowed one keyring on either their school rucksack or book bag.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Wilde

Instagram

We are delighted to announce that we have a new school Instagram account. The account is private, for school use only. To request to follow please consent on School Gateway, under the payments option. We ask that you agree to our user conditions and provide your Instagram account name, we can then accept your follower request. https://www.instagram.com/cuddingtonanddinton?utm_source=qr

Safeguarding

Digital wellbeing is a new subject which is becoming increasingly important in online education. It is slightly different to online safety and is about teaching children the different ways technology can be used. A 'balanced digital diet' is a great framework to illustrate this as it draws parallels with similar healthy eating diagrams which children may already be familiar with and has everything from the positive, educational uses of technology to more leisure-based activities. This can then be used to discuss the amount of time which should be spent using technology for different types of activity. The Internet Matters website also has some helpful information: [Keep Children Safe Online: Information, advice, support - Internet Matters](#).

Message from the Governors

A parent survey has been sent out to all parents/carers this morning. The governing body and the school recognise the importance of hearing the views of parents/carers. The survey only takes a few minutes to complete and your feedback and views are invaluable. So please do spend the time to complete it. Thank you from all the Governors.

Parent Survey 2025

Morning Owl Bookings

A reminder that all sessions must be booked ahead of time, up until the night before. We are in the process of entering Infants Summer 1 half term registers (April/May) into the booking system, which is resulting in a number of unpaid charges. Mrs Carr will be in touch requesting payment.

F4CADS

Colour Run

We are excited to update that the F4CADS colour run will now take place on Friday 11th July, at 4pm after the junior site sports day. Children from both sites are invited to join the event and run two laps of the field and be covered in colourful chalk. An email with further details on how to sign up will be sent next week.

Forest School

To echo Mrs Wilde comments, a huge thank you to everybody that supported, supplied and helped with setting up the Forest School area. Here are some of the people we would like to thank:

Suppliers:

Elliot at Wickes Aylesbury (£100 grant), Louise and Tom Hosking (soil/tractor), Aaron and Crystal Poulton (bark), Stacey and Greg Williams (soil and logs), Patricia Pearce (soil), Lucy Stevens (soil), Eman Parker (Forest School signs) and Emily Booth (veg plant donation).

Helpers:

Miss Smith and family, Mrs Bowman, Mrs Wilde, The Hosking family, Katie Skold, Ayshah Maton and family, Ali Lewis, Jo Smith and family, Hannah Baxendale and family, Amy Davis, Maddy Carey and Jenny Booth (Karina's mum!).

Superstars of the Week

- Foundation - Dominic and Jemima
- Year 1 - Freya D and Isabelle
- Year 2 - Alfie, Ryan and Nancy
- Year 3 - Louisa and Cooper
- Year 4 - Rosie and Bertie
- Year 5 - Emily and Alice G
- Year 6 - Billy and Emma
- Value Leaves - Shana, Ingrid and Leeana

House Points update

Infant Site

Blenheim - 170

Chequers - 155

Hughenden - 189

Claydon - 198

Junior Site

Blenheim - 92

Chequers - 96

Hughenden - 102

Claydon - 81

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