



# Weekly Newsletter

## Message from Mrs Wilde

Dear Parents and Carers,

A talented group of pupils represented our school in the [Thame Partnership Poetry Slam grand final this week](#), taking place at John Hampden School, Thame with judges from Lord Williams' Secondary school English department. Mrs Thomas was delighted with the polished performances and the exceptionally high standard of our performers. Well done to our poets.

Year 5 took part in a RAF (RIOT) STEM day on Monday, where they designed and tested rockets. A number of children have been inspired to pursue this in their future careers!

Exposure Sports recently received an Ofsted inspection to monitor the childcare provision provided. [Please see the positive report on our 'Wrap Around Care' page on the website.](#)

Congratulations to Chequers House at the Infants and Claydon House at the Juniors for winning the House Point challenge this term. Mrs Bowman is helping the Infant pupils to choose an activity for reward time on Thursday morning; whilst Mrs Thomas is asking the Junior House winners.

Well done to the [Year 5&6 Netball team](#), they have played two tough matches in the last week but have shown excellent teamwork and skill.

### **Staffing update**

Welcome to our new HLTA at the Junior site Mrs Farlam who will be based with our Year 5 class, but will also be covering all Junior classes at some point.

We are all so sad to say goodbye to Mrs Roberts, our marvellous SENDCO, who is moving on to lead a new autism provision at a Bucks school. If you wish to contribute towards a leaving gift, a payment request is open on School gateway.

We are looking forward to welcoming our new SENDCO, Mrs Collier, after the Easter holiday. I am confident she will bring a wealth of experience to our school and has enjoyed several hand-over days with Mrs Roberts to become familiar with our pupils.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Wilde  
Headteacher

## **Safeguarding**

Did you know that DSL stands for Designated Safeguarding Lead. At Cuddington and Dinton we have three DSL's: Mrs Wilde, Mrs Thomas and Mrs Bowman who take the lead responsibility for monitoring safeguarding, child protection and online safety. The DSLs at our school wear an orange lanyard to make them easily identifiable.

## **Message from the Governors**

In the last few newsletters, we have explained who we are and how we operate as a board. We thought it may be useful to explain a little more about our school and how the type of school impacts how a governing body functions.

In towns and villages across England there are several different types of primary or community schools. A 'C of E School' is an abbreviation for a Church of England School meaning the ethos of the school is rooted in Christian values, is supported by local churches and in our case the Oxford Diocese (which supports 284 schools).

A majority of the governing board are foundation governors appointed by local churches to support the Christian foundation of the school. There are two types of state funded faith schools; Voluntary Controlled (VC) schools which are managed and funded by Bucks local authority and Voluntary Aided (VA) schools like ours. These have far more autonomy; in determining values and ethos, in employing and managing staff, as an admission authority and having capital funding responsibility. Our governors are all very mindful of these extra responsibilities that they have and work very hard behind the scenes to support Mrs Wilde and all the staff at the school.

## **F4CADS**

### **Around The World Cookbook**

We are pleased to announce that our School Cookbook is available to purchase from today! Please come and buy copies (£10 per book) from the stalls at either site or order through Gateway.

### **Bingo**

We have now sold out of tickets for our bingo night. For those that are coming, please can you bring cash for the event. Bingo dabbers (£1), Bingo books (£5), BBQ, and the tuck shop will all be available on the night.

### **Summer Party**

Our F4CADS summer party is returning to Dinton Cricket Club on Saturday 17th May so please save the date.

### **End of term cinema**

Tickets are now on sale for our end of term cinema. Moana 2 will be showing on Friday 4th April at the Bernard Hall Picture House. Doors open at 1.30pm for a 2pm start. Tuck shop will be available too.

## Superstars of the Week

- YR Dylan and Dominic
- Y1 Vinnie and Percy
- Y2 Sebastian and Jonathan
- Y3 Rafferty and Lola
- Y4 Vivi and Amara
- Y5 Darcey P and April
- Y6 Josh, Zac and Maya S

### Sports Stars

- Y6 Maya S
- Y5 April

## House Points update

### Infants

Claydon - 137  
Chequers - 138  
Blenheim - 163  
Hughenden – 174

### Juniors

Claydon - 140  
Chequers - 81  
Blenheim - 125  
Hughenden - 116

## [Link to the School Calendar](#)



Cuddington and Dinton School  
Upper Church Street  
Cuddington  
HP18 0AP  
t: 01844 291206  
e: [office@cds.school](mailto:office@cds.school)

[www.cuddingtonanddintonschool.co.uk](http://www.cuddingtonanddintonschool.co.uk)

 **twitter @CDSUpdate**

HYFC Girls Team Poster 2025  
.pdf (Kb)