



Dear Parents,

MUSIC LESSONS

We had a demonstration assembly on Wednesday from Andy Wraight, a drum teacher who is keen to start offering lessons at our school. Interested children were offered a letter, and spares were put in classrooms for children who were swimming (and in the school office). If your child is interested in drumming lessons please return the letter to the school office by next Friday, 20th September. Andy is willing to do small-group lessons if there is interest, to reduce the price, and you do not need to own a drum kit: children can use his kit in school. He is willing to teach children from the age of four upwards.

This is a good opportunity to remind you that we also offer lessons in piano, classical guitar, woodwind (including flute and clarinet) and brass (including cornet and trombone). All lessons can be organised via the school office and are free for children entitled to the Pupil Premium because of financial hardship. We can often arrange for you to borrow an instrument if necessary or to buy one second-hand. In fact, our cleaner Annie Ball is selling a nearly-new clarinet with case and spare reeds for £120; contact the school office if you are interested.

TRADING CARDS

We acknowledge that some children like to bring cards in to school to play with at lunch time, so we allow traditional playing cards or Top Trumps. However, we do not allow trading cards (such as Yugioh), because they often cause arguments. I would be grateful if you could explain this to your children.

TENNIS AT BAMPTON TENNIS CLUB

Bampton Tennis Club are offering a Tennis for Kids course. For £25, a player receives six tennis lessons, a racket and personalised shirt. Sign up here if you are interested:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/TennisForKids/Course/4b497d4d-0ea7-41db-92e8-c6fb508c5783>

MUSICAL EVENT IN WITNEY

On Saturday 19th October, Oxford Lieder Festival is putting on two productions aimed at children: a concert illustrated by shadow puppetry called "The Thought Machine" between 11.00 and 11.45 and a shadow puppet workshop between 12.00 and 12.30. The concert is free for children and £3 for adults while the workshop is £3 per person. It is advertised as suitable for children aged 6 – 11. Booking is via

www.oxfordlieder.co.uk.

BURFORD SCHOOL OPEN DAY

Burford School would like to invite Year 5 and 6 children and their parents to their open day next Thursday, 19th September, from 4.30 to 7.30. The headteacher, Mrs Haig, will speak in the main hall at 5.30 and 7.00.



NEW ON THE WEBSITE THIS WEEK

<https://www.brizeprimary.org/class/2> Forest School and Materials for Y1/2

<https://www.brizeprimary.org/class/4> Ready for Year 6

Best wishes

Anna Fairhurst

Dates for the Autumn Term

Wed 25 Sept – Y3/4 football tournament (invited team only); 6.00 Y6 SATS information evening; 7.30 full governing body

Thurs 26 Sept – KS2 Oxenwood Saxon Day
2.30 Foundation Stage phonics parent meeting in Y6 classroom

Wed 9 Oct – Roots to Food day

Thurs 10 Oct – 11.00 Harvest Festival in church

Mon 21 Oct – nasal flu vaccine for all children

Tues 22 Oct – long parents' evening

Wed 23 Oct – short parents' evening

Thurs 24 Oct – Art/DT day; cross country tournament (invited team only)

Fri 25 Oct – Art/DT day; 2.30pm parent celebration assembly

W/b 28 Oct – half term

Tues 5 Nov – Y1 Dance festival (all children)

Thurs 7 Nov – 2.30 Foundation Stage parent meeting: Reading (Year 6 classroom)

Fri 8 Nov – 9.00 Y5/6 sharing assembly and parent workshop

Mon 11 Nov – Remembrance commemoration (10.30 Key Stage 2 in church; 10.50 for 11.00 all children at war memorial)

Tues 12 Nov – Y5/6 to Blenheim Palace for tour and public speaking workshop

Wed 13 Nov – Y5/6 hockey tournament (invited team only)

Fri 15 Nov – 9.00 Y2 sharing assembly and parent workshop; 2.30pm Y2 assessment information session for parents, Hurricanes classroom

Mon 18 Nov – whole-school assessment week begins

Wed 20 Nov – final swimming session

Fri 22 Nov – Y3/4 sharing assembly and parent workshop; Foundation and Key Stage 1 pantomime trip to Puss in Boots at Chipping Norton Theatre

Wed 27 Nov – school play rehearsals begin; Y5/6 football tournament (invited team only); 7.30 full governing body

Fri 29 Nov – Y1 Sharing Assembly and parent workshop

Tues 10 Dec – Y4 Haka Dance festival (all children)

Wed 11 Dec – KS2 production pm and 6.00pm

Thurs 12 Dec – KS2 production 6.00pm

Fri 13 Dec – 2.00 KS2 theatre trip Snow Queen

Mon 16 Dec – Art/DT day; KS1 production pm and 6.00pm

Tues 17 Dec – Art/DT day; parent celebration assembly 2.30pm

Wed 18 Dec – Christmas dinner

Thurs 19 Dec – 9.45 carol service in church; school ends 1.15