

Brize Norton

Primary School

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Newsletter 153

3rd May 2019

Dear Parents,

MRS CONNER

Mrs Conner has a number of personal health appointments she needs to attend at the moment. She is all right but she will be off school until Wednesday 15th May. We are lucky to have Mrs Johnson, our trainee teacher, who is doing extremely well and is more than capable of covering Mrs Conner's lessons. Mrs Conner is in regular touch with Mrs Johnson and the teaching assistants regarding expectations, standards being worked on and keeping up strong expectations; I am also supporting Mrs Johnson with planning and popping into class regularly. The children are happy and doing the same learning that they would be if Mrs Conner were able to be in school.

CAKE SALE

Thank you to everyone who bought a cake yesterday in aid of Carterton Gymnastics Club and especially to everyone in Suzy Marshman's office who bought her cakes before she could bring them to school! Felicity and Lilly-May Gidlow are proud to announce that they raised £72.51.

PLAYGROUND AFTER SCHOOL

Can I please ask you to make sure your children leave the school grounds once they have been returned to you. It is lovely that so many families like to stay around after school and enjoy the Rec and the playground, but the school would be liable for any injuries on school grounds and there is no member of school staff available to supervise. Thank you very much.

BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB NEWS

It's been lovely to see new faces at Club and they have all settled in really well. We have been really lucky with the weather lately and spent a lot of time outside, doing various activities and having tea out there too. Our "star of the week" will be announced at assembly today. It was hard to decide who should get it as they have all been brilliant. We hope you have a lovely long weekend.

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Please don't forget that there's no school on Monday! On Tuesday we have two exciting events for our younger children. All the Foundation and Year 1 children will be taking part in the Oxfordshire Key Stage 1 Music Festival, singing with the great children's singer-songwriter Nick Cope. They will be taken to St John's in Carterton by minibus and do a short rehearsal before the concert, starting at 3.30pm for an hour. The concert will be great fun and suitable for all ages; if you haven't yet got tickets, please go to <https://www.wegottickets.com/event/468192>. If you are there to watch, you can take your child home from there; other children will be brought back to school by minibus. However, some of our children will not be there – because our winning team of Year 1 and 2 gymnasts will be at their area final! Good luck to all the team and thank you to Mrs Gidlow, Mrs Marshman and Mrs Keeble for accompanying them.

On Wednesday, Year 4 will be going to Burford for Quad Kids, an athletics tournament; they will need to bring a packed lunch with them. It is also swimming for Years 2 and 5.

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Thursday is a big day for the governors as Bob Pattenden from ODST will be in school all morning reviewing the quality of our governance. These ODST review days take part every half term, looking at a different area of focus each time. They are extremely useful as they challenge us to think deeply about what we do, why we do it and how we could do it even better. Jon Conner, the Chair of Governors, and I are going to an ODST strategic briefing in the evening.

Best wishes

Anna Fairhurst

Dates for the Summer Term

Mon 6 May – school closed (bank holiday)

Tues 7 May – Foundation and Year 1 Music Festival at St John's School

Wed 8 May – Year 4 Quad Kids

Mon 13 May – Year 6 SATS week; Burford headteacher visiting Year 5 parents after school

Thurs 16 May – full governors' meeting

Mon 20 May – Year 2 SATS week; swimming gala

Thurs 23 May – languages activities led by Burford School volunteers

Fri 24 May – parent celebration assembly

w/b 27 May – half term

Mon 3 June – Y5/6 Condoover Hall trip (week-long residential)

Mon 10 June – Y1 (and some Y2) Phonics

Screening check week

Tues 11 June – Y5/6 cricket festival

Mon 17 June – Year 2 Ultra Olympics

Tues 18 June – Cokethorpe Y5/6 tennis festival

Thurs 20 June – Y3 Science Day at Burford

Tues 25 June – new Foundation Stage drop-in pm

Wed 26 June – Year 5 enrichment day, Burford

Thurs 27 June – new Foundation Stage drop-in am; SENCO SEN reviews

Mon 1 July – teacher SEN reviews; Year 5 quad kids

Tues 2 July – new Foundation Stage and their parents in for lunch

Thurs 4 July – Burford induction; shuffle up day; new Foundation induction half day

Fri 5 July – Burford induction

Mon 8 July – Foundation Multi Skills

Tues 9 July – KS2 Concert

Wed 10 July – KS1 Concert

Fri 12 July – Parent Celebration Assembly; school barbecue

Mon 15 July – sports day pm

Tues 16 July – reserve sports day pm

Thurs 18 July – Kidditch day; Open Evening

Fri 19 July – leavers' assembly am; term ends 1.15