



OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Fringford C.E. Primary School

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Welcome back everybody at the start of a new school year and a special welcome to all the new children and parents in the Foundation Stage. Everyone has made a really good start and we are all enjoying the lovely Indian Summer which we hope will continue for some time.

School Website

You are receiving a paper copy of this newsletter as a temporary arrangement as the Local Authority has discontinued the use of the Learning Platform and we are therefore in the process of setting up another school website. Until the website is fully operational we will send paper copies so that everybody is kept informed of the school news.

Parking

We have been informed by the Parish Council that repair work will take place on the verge across the Green tomorrow Thursday, 11th September. Could you please avoid this area at all times as the grass seed will need to become established. They have asked us to also request parents to park courteously, not too near to the junction, and to fill up the village hall car park from the back.

Staffing

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Heather Butler who has worked as a Teaching Assistant in the school for almost fifteen years predominantly in Class 4. She has accompanied Residential Trips and many sporting and educational visits and we are very sorry to see her go and thank her for all the time she has given to the school. Her last day with us will be on Friday, 3rd October which is also the day of our Harvest Festival.

Harvest Festival

This year we will be having our Harvest Festival celebration on Friday, 3rd October, 2014 at 10.00 a.m. in the Church. At this service children bring along their offerings which will be distributed to the Bicester Food Bank. Please note that Years 1 to 6 take part in this service and Foundation Stage children remain at school.

Change of Inset Day

Please note that there is no Inset Day on Friday, 10th October as previously shown on the Bicester area calendar. This Inset Day will now take place on Monday, 1st June 2015.

Events

On Monday 22nd September we will be having a performance from the Quantum Theatre "Your Country Needs You" which follows our Humanities theme of World War One. No contributions are requested from parents as school are paying.

On Friday, 26th September we will be having a Roald Dahl Dress Up Day which the children always enjoy. They can dress either as a character from one of his books or wear something yellow which was his favourite colour. There will be more information sent about this in the near future.

Our next Bags to School collection will be on Tuesday, 7th October first thing in the morning.

Individual Photographs will be taken in the morning of Tuesday, 2nd November which is the second day of Term 2.

Term 1 finishes on Friday, 24th October at **2.00 p.m.** For new parents please note that every end of term has this finishing time.

Forward notice - our Carol Service will be held on Thursday, 18th December. We have always held this in the evening but following the very disappointing turnout of children last year we are considering moving this event to the afternoon. We will inform you of the time as soon as it has been decided.

School Uniform

We have decided from now on not to keep uniform stocks as it can be delivered to us direct from the manufacturer and will be individually packed for each child. This will reduce administration time and give us some more storage space which we need for other things. So from now on uniform orders will need to be given in by a specific date each term and then the uniform should be delivered within two to three weeks. So for this term our uniform date is Wednesday, 24th September and the following one will be Wednesday, 19th November. We still have some uniform in stock which we will give out including a large number of Size Small (34") Sweat Cardigans which are available at the reduced price of £5.00 each. Please let us know if you would like any. We will keep a small box of uniform samples so that parents can see what is available and check sizes.