



Uffington Church of England Primary School

"Everyone Matters"
Love, Honesty, Courage



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Newsletter

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Note from Mrs Bradbury

Thank you so much to all of you for completing our parent survey. It has been really helpful to read your feedback. Some of the main headlines from our survey are:

My child is happy at this school - 97%
My child feels safe and is well cared for at this school - 97%
My child is taught well - 92%
The school promotes good attendance - 95%
The school promotes reading for pleasure - 92%
My child is supported with their emotional and mental health - 87%
During Covid 19 communication has been clear and regular - 95%
The school is well led and managed - 97%
I would recommend this school to another parent - 97%

As you know we are continuously seeking to improve, and your feedback helps us to do this. Homework is one area that some of you have commented on. We will review our provision as a staff and seek feedback from you again in the autumn term.

I was delighted this week to hear from Oxfordshire County Council that our own Mrs Moore was included in their news release on "Thank a Teacher Day" as one of our pupils had nominated her. Only a handful of schools were included - well done Mrs Moore! I am sure that you will join with me in thanking all of the staff here!

This week I have enjoyed spending time with the children and finding out about their learning. White Horse class impressed me with using the correct mathematical vocabulary for 3D shapes, Wayland class were designing new animals with adaptations based on different environments, Dragon class learnt the days of the week in Italian and Ridgeway analysed historical sources to find out about Victorian holidays in the past. What a range!

As you know we intend to run sports day on 16th July. In order to balance safety and minimise paperwork we will be sending out an electronic form for you to complete (nearer the time). This will need to be completed by you, an hour before entry to the school site to enable access. More info to follow.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

Whole School News



Next week's puzzle piece is:
Understand and respect the changes they see in other people.

PTA Treat Friday



Treat Friday is back tomorrow with a delicious selection of ice creams available in the playground after school.

Cash only.

Social distancing measures apply.



Singing Club

We would like to remind parents that St Mary's church is running the after school singing club and any communication regarding the club should be made with the church and not the school.

info@uffingtonbenefice.com

We politely request that children attending the club know every Wednesday if they are going to the club after school or if they are going home so there is less confusion when school closes.

Thank you.

Class news & other bits

White Horse

Reception's attendance for last week was 93.33%.

We have had an interesting week in Whitehorse Class this week. We have been writing about our own teddy bears and have collaged a large teddy bear for the wall. We have had some fun with the torches in the outside area, by making one of the sheds dark. We have been watching magic tricks by turning 2D shapes into 3D shapes! With the changeable weather, please remember sun hats and sun cream to be applied before school, and when the weather looks unpredictable, please provide a light coat to protect from the rain.

Ridgeway

Ridgeway's attendance for last week was 95.33%.

This week in Ridgeway class we have been estimating and then measuring the mass of objects. Year 1 children have been using cubes to weigh the objects while Year 2 children have been using grams and kilograms. In History, we have been learning about seaside holidays from over 100 years ago, during the Victorian period. We have been comparing similarities and differences to holidays then and now. In English we have read all of our Grandad's Island story and are writing postcards/letters in role as Grandad, explaining what we have been up to on the island.

Homework will set via Google Classroom on Friday and consist of spelling, maths and reading.

Dragon

Dragon's attendance for last week was 90.40%.

This week we have been focusing on problem solving in Maths. We have been applying our knowledge of number to help us to simplify problems. In English the children have been carrying out their own research about some of the less attractive insects that can be found in the UK. They have been completing their own research online and making notes. They are going to be using this information to create habitat hotels for their Science work! In art the children have completed their final designs of their Gaudi inspired art work and have created fantastical feathers which are they are going to be using to bring a little bit of Barcelona to Uffington.

Homework: Children should continue to complete their Doodle Apps daily and read 5 times a week. Please keep working on times tables.



Wayland

Wayland's attendance for last week was 96.43%.

This week, we have been practising writing about animals on the moon of Pandora, to help us with our writing about our own "newly discovered" creatures we are designing for our moving toys; so far, Wayland have discovered new bears, scorpions, birds, horses (or even dorses!) and many more fantastic creatures. The children have been applying what they have learned about adaptation in science to label and describe the key features of their creatures. In maths, the year 5 continue to practise core skills like multiplication and division, while the year 6 are demonstrating how much fun we can have with algebra. Next week, we will be doing assessments followed by lots of practical work. I am so proud of how the children have represented the school to their new year 7 teachers who have visited and to other schools in the video conferences about computing! To tease you in advance of Founder's Day, there are two photos of children collaborating on the banner!

As the weather is set to improve again, can the children remember sun hats and put sun lotion on before school and bring a water bottle. Homework continues to be Doodlemaths and DoodleEnglish.



Whole School

Wild World Heroes

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

Children can take part in the challenge at their local Oxfordshire Library from 10th July to 11th

September. This year the challenge is celebrating nature. Children are encouraged to read at least six library books and as they read, they collect stickers and rewards. If they complete the challenge, they will be rewarded with a Wild World Hero medal, certificate and keyring and this year will be entered into a countywide prize draw.

For ideas of books to read, games to play, competitions and more children can visit:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

For further information please visit:

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/summerreadingchallenge

Premier Summer Holiday Camp

Shellingford Primary School

26th July to 27th August

Reception to Year 6

8.30am to 4.30pm £23 per day.

8.30am to 5pm £24 per day.

Summer unlimited pass £280

To book please contact Alana:

aturner@premier-education.com

Bookings of 5 days can be booked online:

www.premier-education.com

Save 15% if you book two weeks in advance.

Stagecoach

Please see the link below for the **Summer Term Parent Portal**. This is a 'one stop shop' for all information:

<https://sites.google.com/view/summer2021parentportal/summer-2021-route-to-reopening>

Summer Holiday Workshop now available to book:

www.stagecoach.co.uk/faringdon#workshops

School Money Accounts

We kindly request that parents check their SchoolMoney accounts and pay any arrears.

School Dinners need to be paid for in advance.

We are a nut free school.

Please do not send your child to school with any food products containing nuts.