



Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe 'To believe, achieve, succeed together.'

NEWSLETTER 24 – 28th March 2025 Value of the Term: **FORGIVENESS**

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been focused on **assessments** and children in Year 1-6 sharing what they know and have learnt this term. The assessments also need children to recall back on previous years of learning as well. These are being marked and analyzed and will help shape some of the teaching and interventions for the summer term. Next week you will receive a letter with assessment data on and an attendance figure – anything less than 90% is classed as a persistent absentee and is of concern. We had the **final swimming** and badminton session this week. All the children who went swimming have improved and made progress which is excellent. Taking the children to the Leisure Centre has been popular and many KS2 have enjoyed developing their badminton skills and using the indoor space that as a school we just don't have. This is definitely something we will look to continue with next year. Our **Community Day** on Saturday afternoon was very positive and much was achieved! Thank you so much to staff and families who gave their time to help us in our continued plight to improve our outdoor environment. This week we have welcomed Miss Plant and Miss Peltenburg into school as **Oxford Brookes Students**. They are working in Chestnut and Maple and will be with us until 21st May. Last night Mrs Stapleton and Miss Curtis attended a Year 3/4 Cluster Hockey event. The children had a fabulous time, showed brilliant teamwork and developed their hockey skills as well! Well done Team; thank you to the adults who helped and supported too. **Clubs will run next week** and then we will share a new selection for the Summer Term. I will also be running **Maypole sessions** again after Easter in preparation for our Maypole and Country Dancing event which we shall tie in with VE Day. Further details will be shared next week. We appreciate our **school website** is in need of some love and care and we are now on the path to improving this. One area already in place is the online parent calendar which can be found on Dates and Events. You need to refresh the page to ensure you get the most up-to-date information – this will be in from next week until the end of the summer term! I'm hoping the **Mother's Day** teas go well today – I have written this earlier today as I think I will be a bit busy later! **Final week of term next week** and with Easter not until the end of the break it seems a little strange to not be in more Easter mode! *Have a great weekend, Kind regards, Mrs. Sarah Smith*

	Ready, Respectful, Safe	Headteacher Value	Arts
OAK	Lark Scarlett	Gracie	Willow
CHESTNUT	Felicity Isaac	Struan	Bertie
SYCAMORE	Myles Tabytha	Kellan	Monty
MAPLE	Abel Jack	James	Fin O'C

House Point Scores for the week: Air:107 Earth:111 Fire:111 Water:120

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Designated Safeguarding Lead:

Mrs. S. Smith

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads:

Mrs. K. Green & Ms L Pepler

Governor Responsible for Safeguarding: Revd. Sara Cliff

Attendance figure - Whole school for academic year: **94.39%**

After Easter we will be launching **our new Vision and Values**. In preparation for this we will be asking for some help in designing our new values logos/symbols. Look out for a letter next week with more information!

Diary – WB 31st MARCH

Monday

Chestnut trip to London – please be at school by 8.30am

New Nursery stay and Play session

Tuesday

Homework Gallery Term 4

Wednesday

10:45 Intra Cross Country Event at Playing fields.

Thursday

9.30 Rock Steady Spring Concert

1.30pm End of term service at Church

Friday

VIP

PTFA Easter Egg raffle

End of Term 4

RED NOSE DAY - Thank you for your wonderful support of the School Council's Raffle and Hot Chocolate – they raised **£129.45** for this good cause.

Children must be in school punctually and aim to attend every day. There is an increase in requests for early finishing, and holidays as well as pupils arriving late, and non-attendance without reason which cannot be accepted. The importance of regular full attendance must be reiterated. Appointments also need to be made around the school day. As a reminder the school day is from 8:55-3:15 with gates opening at 8:40.

SEND COFFEE MORNING Next session- **TUES 13th MAY 8:45am**

Shoebboxes needed – KS2 are doing a project and we need some shoebboxes where the lids fully remove! Please bring into Miss Davis!

Please do purchase **PTFA Easter Egg Tombola** tickets – they can be bought on the School Money shop!

Please ensure children have a **PE kit in school at all times**. The children need a set of jogging suit bottoms and jumper (plain in colour and design) as when PE is outside, they do need an extra layer. If needed, please can it go home Friday and then brought back in each Monday. **There are still children who don't have kit in school on PE Days. Please can you help ensure children are ready for the lessons they have.**