

# Wootton St. Peters C of E Primary School

Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built.

Our Vision: Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built. We explore the values of perseverance, compassion, and courage to open up horizons of hope and aspiration.

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# **Upcoming Dates:**

Monday 20th October 1pm-3pm. Moonstone Bikability session.

Tuesday 21st October Moonstone Trip to Kelmscott Manor.

Tuesday 21st October-Stay and Play for new pupils 9-11am. Please contact the school office to book a place. Wednesday 22nd October 9am - Moonstone Bikability Session 1.

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1-3pm- Moonstone Bikability Session 2.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October- Non Uniform Day. Please bring a £1 Donation.

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 10-12am - Moonstone Bikability Session 3

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1-3pm- Moonstone Bikability Session 4

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October- Inset Day School Closed.
Monday 27<sup>th</sup>- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October- Half Term Week.
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November- School starts 8.30am
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November- Tennis Coach visiting.
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November- Remembrance Day.
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November- Whole School Cinema Trip-To see "The Sloth Lane".

Wednesday 19th November- Tempest-Individual and sibling Photos from 8.30 am.

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November- Stay and Play for new pupils 9-11am. Please contact the school office to book a place.

Friday 5th December- Christmas Fayre- After School.

Monday 8th December- Nativity.

Tuesday 16th December- Carols By Candlelight. Wednesday 17th December- School Christmas Dinner.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December- Last Day of Term. School finishes at 1.30pm. No ASC.

Monday 5th January-Inset Day.

Tuesday 6th January- School starts 8.30am.

# Dear parents/carers,

We are already at the end of another week – time really does fly when you're having fun! We are now into the season where school activities and events are starting to ramp up, so make sure you check the dates carefully, you are not going to want to miss out on what we have planned!

Our team of KS2 runners put in a fantastic performance at the Oxfordshire School Games inter- school event at Tilsley Park on Tuesday 14th October. They competed against 14 other schools from across Abingdon and the surrounding areas. They demonstrated our school values of perseverance and ran 1km. What a great achievement. They ran 1km and made us all very proud, well done to all our competitors.











Moonstone class have competed some beautiful collage art, inspired by the South American artist Beatrice Milhaze. They have created collages of different animals from the rainforest. Working in groups, they have also written and performed their own radio broadcast about life in the Amazon rainforest. They all spoke with clarity and confidence, an excellent team effort. They have also been learning how to multiply and divide decimals numbers by 10, 100 and 1000; they enjoyed doing this practically outside jumping across the different place value columns.











Jade Class have enjoyed a very memorable science lesson this week. They learnt what happens to food as it moves through your digestive system. Using a pair of tights to represent the intestines, they created their own poo (using mushed up food)! In art, Jade class have also created some beautiful pictures of dragon eyes - they are incredible.







**Opal class** have created some incredible papier Mache bowls, linking into their story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Once set, they painted them with beautiful patterns.



Little Gems enjoyed their outdoor learning this week, where they worked together to build a campfire. They cut up and baked their own apples over the fire - they smelt delicious. I also had the pleasure of observing a maths lesson in Little Gems this week, the children are very confident and were able to give their squirrel and hedgehog 'more' and 'less' cubes. Fantastic work Little Gems.

# **Playing Hide and Seek**





#### **Bikability**

We are very lucky to be able to run a bike ability course this year for Year 5/6, with an expert team coming in to teach and assess children's cycling skills, equipment and introduce them to road safety whilst experiencing riding out on the local roads. We will be running morning and afternoon groups for the children that have signed up, next week. Please do lend your support and be patient with our cyclists if you see them out and about, take extra care near school where they may be gathered in a group. The children, who are signed up, will need their bike on the following days:

Monday 20th - Level 1-2 Group 1-pm

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Level 3 Group (Y6) 9-12pm and Level 2 Group 1-3pm

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Level 1-2 Group 10-12 and 1-3pm

# **Fundraising**

Thank you very much for all of the support with our Harvest raffle. we are pleased to say that we raised

£109. The FOWS Christmas raffle is coming up, and it will have even more prizes!

Just a little reminder that Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> will be a non-school uniform day. Please bring in £1 - the money raised will go towards class supplies. The card reader will also be available to use in the morning, if you don't have any cash.

I am also pleased to announce that I put in a funding application to the council, who have very kindly given us £500 - which will be put towards resources for our science week in the Spring term.

#### **Attendance**

Next week, I will be sending out attendance letters; you will only receive one if your child's attendance has fallen below 95% this term. Please note that these are statutory letters, which schools have to legally send out. I have to send them out, irrespective of the circumstance for absences. Although Headteachers course I went on, at the start of the year, stated that when children are in school for 95% of the time or more they achieve the best outcomes, which is what we all really do want for our children.



# Christmas cards and gifts

You will shortly be receiving an order form showing your child's lovely Christmas design which they completed in school earlier this term. Details will be on the slip about how to order Christmas cards and other gifts online. For every sale FOWS will receive a percentage of the profit which will all go towards funding school activities and needs, so please support us by ordering! You can order Christmas cards, thank you cards, gift labels, mugs, coasters, hanging decorations, fridge magnets and tea towels, all featuring your child's design. Once the slips arrive, they will be sent home with the children.

The deadline for orders is <u>Wednesday 5th</u>

<u>November</u> so we can get your items printed and sent back to school in good time before Christmas. Items will arrive by the end of November and will be available to collect from the office.

Any problems with ordering, please contact Philippa Hill on 07745674920.

#### **Gas Works**

We have been informed that CSD gas will be carrying out essential mains replacement work on behalf of SGN on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October along the road outside of school. Please can you make sure that you either walk or park down at the church where possible, as we don't yet know how/if this will affect school drop off and pickups.

Thank you

#### **Break Times**

If you would like to send your child in with a breaktime snack please make sure it's a healthy snack. Fruit and vegetables are preferred, alternatively you could send in crackers, yoghurt, cheese, bread sticks or something like that. Please no crisps or biscuits at break times.



# **The School Shield**

Little Gems – Henry for his excellent Phonics and for being a really good friends. Well done Henry ☺

Opal – Annabel for her independent writing. Retelling the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. Great work Annabel (3)

Jade – Charlotte for her fantastic writing in English. Well done Charlotte ☺

Moonstone – For her fantastic persuasive letter about saving the Amazon rainforest. Fantastic Sarah ☺



Little Gems – Oscar for excellent comparison.

Opal – Maxwell for his knowledge of Number Bonds to 10.

Jade - Oliver for his excellent subtraction.

Moonstone – Julia for her super work finding square and cube numbers.

Well done to all our wonderful mathematicians this week

# This Week's ask me about??

Little Gems - Making Smoothies and baking Apples.

Opal — Our Water Colour Artwork of Harvest Fruit and Vegetables.

Jade- The Five Re

Moonstone - How to make soap from conkers?

#### **School Bank details**

Please see the Bank details below to make direct credit payments for your child/ren. School dinners, school trips, Before and after school club etc can all be paid this way.

Bank- Lloyds TSB Account No- 19341368 Sort code- 30.80.12

Reference- Childs Name Lunch or Childs Name Care or Childs

Name Trip.

Separate Payments should be set up for each child and service i.e. Lunch, Care or Trip.