



Newsletter

Autumn Term – October 2016

All Change!

We have loved being in our new building. The children and teachers in year 4, 5 and 6 are loving their new classrooms and Mr Davies is particularly pleased with the new hall which has enabled us to have even more space and equipment for PE.

Thank you for your flexibility whilst we near the end of our build project. We look forward to being able to use our canopy, linking B Block and the New Building soon after half term. It will take a while for some of the grass areas to be looking their best however with a bit of rain the seed should start growing soon.

Questionnaires

Thank you to those parents who have already completed and returned the parent Questionnaire. All named returns will be entered into a prize draw on Friday 4th November. Your chance to win a shopping voucher worth £50! More importantly your thoughts and opinions are very important to us so we look forward to receiving your views.

Website

We have experienced some difficulties with our school website this term as it was being attacked by bots! Hopefully it will be reinstated as soon as we can, sorry for any inconvenience caused whilst it has been offline.

Online Payments and Email Correspondence

In responding to parental need and requests we are now up and running with our emailing and online payment systems. If you haven't done already, please use the links below to register.

Emailing - email@hill-view.oxon.sch.uk

Once we have your email address you will be able to register for on line payments via - www.schoolgateway.com

Flu Vaccinations – 17th November

Children in Year 1, 2 & 3 have been offered a free **NASAL** flu ahead of the winter. Please return your parental consent form if you wish your child to have the flu vaccination.

Asthma Inhalers

It is essential that we are kept up to date regarding who needs an inhaler during school time. If your child requires an inhaler please can you complete the attached School Asthma Card. It is essential that we have in date inhalers and we are advised that children should ideally be using a spacer to administer their inhaler and that no brown inhalers should be in school. Please return completed forms to your class teacher or directly to the school office.

Collection and drop off Safeguarding policy change

As safety is of paramount importance to us, thank you for your support and understanding regarding our change of expectation regarding the drop off and collection of your children. We do need to reiterate that the policy states that **only Year 5 and Year 6** children should be walking home alone. Please return your updated collection details asap so that we can update our system.

Parents Evening

Thank you to those parents who attended parents evening recently. It is so beneficial for us to be able to share your child's progress with you and offer any pointers as to how to encourage them to improve further.

Cauliflower Christmas Cards

The children will be creating personalised Christmas cards over the next few weeks and will then send an order form home alongside their design by the 11th November. Should you wish to purchase any cards please return the order form and payment to the school office by Tuesday 15th November.

Book Fair

Thank you for purchasing books from the book fair this week. This has raised £195 for us to restock our reading books in school.

Safeguarding – Mobile phones

You may have noticed that we now have signs around the school site asking visitors to not use their phones whilst waiting to collect children. This measure is to ensure we are doing our utmost to keep your children safe. We ask for your support in this at any point when you are visiting the site.

Congratulations to the following children who have been newly appointed...

<p><u>House Captains</u> Lewi M- Shakespeare Amber R – Nightingale Jake P – Churchill Hollie K – Attenborough</p> <p><u>Vice Captains</u> Emily R- Shakespeare Anderson B – Nightingale Courtney PC – Churchill Kayla B – Attenborough</p>	<p><u>Ambassadors 2016 – 2017</u> Harri H Chloe P Abigail W Sophie R Scott L Zarah K Hadiqah K Angela C Annice D</p>
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Information that needs to be returned to school:

- Data collection sheet – ALL PARENTS.
- Questionnaire - ALL PARENTS.
- School Asthma Card – only if your child medically requires an inhaler.
- Drop off pick up password – if not already set up.
- Y5/6 Walking home permission – if not already completed.
- Cauliflower Cards order forms - by 15th November if you wish to purchase cards.

Some important dates in advance -

Key dates	Details	Class/Year Group
31st October	SCHOOL INSET DAY – The school is closed for children.	ALL
1 st November	First day of Autumn Term 2	ALL
	Blenheim Palace Trip – Year 5	Year 5
9th November	FSR Birmingham Sea-life Centre	FSR
10 th November	Children Singing for Children – St Marys Church – 7pm	School choir
10 th November	KS1 trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park	KS1
14 th November	Children In Need Week	ALL
17 th November	Flu Vaccinations for Y1,2 and 3	Y1/2/3
30th November	FSR open session for parents - please arrive at 2.15pm as doors will close soon after.	FSR
30th November	Big Xmas Sing – Oxford Town Hall – 6:30pm	School choir
6 th December	Santa's Grotto and Refreshments	ALL
7 th December	2:30pm Little Acorns PM class perform Christmas Show to parents	Little Acorns PM class
8 th December	10.45am – Little Acorns AM class perform Christmas Show to parents	Little Acorns AM class
8 th December	3:30pm – Elm 1 - Christmas Performance to parents	Elm 1
9 th December	3:30pm – Elm 2 - Christmas Performance to parents	Elm 2
12 th December	3:30pm – Ash Elm - Christmas Performance to parents	Ash Elm
13 th December	3:30pm – Ash 1 - Christmas Performance to parents	Ash 1
13 th December	School Christmas Dinner	ALL
14 th December	3:30pm – Ash 2 - Christmas Performance to parents	Ash 2
14 th December	10:30am - FSR Christmas Nativity to parents and siblings	FSR
15 th December	2:30pm – FSR Christmas Nativity to parents and siblings	FSR
16 th December	Christmas Jumper Day - Last Day of Term	ALL
3rd January 2017	SCHOOL INSET DAY – The school closed for children	ALL
4 th January	First Day of Spring Term 1	ALL

Thank again for your continued support of the school. Have a safe and happy half term.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Claire Ferens
Headteacher