



Shine as Lights in the World
Philippians 2.15

January 26th, 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sporting Events

This week we took over 20 children from Year 5/6 to an Athletics event at Burford School competing with 8 other primary schools. Our children were fantastic, organising themselves independently, moving from one event to the next with such independence it was so pleasing to observe. As ever their sportsmanship, willingness to compete at their best level and the support for one another was on display, making us all very proud. It was a close finish with Wychwood finishing in second. Well done.

On Tuesday Mr Leader and Mrs Williamson took the children to a cross country event at Radley College. Despite the challenging weather conditions, the children ran brilliantly. They represented our school fantastically and enjoyed the experience of competing at a high level. We hope that this gives them confidence going into the Cross Country West Oxfordshire finals next Friday.

School snacks

Yesterday we had our school assembly learning more about the benefits of healthy eating with a particular focus on school snacks. We will continue to encourage children at break time to choose a healthy snack to eat, rather than crisps and chocolate bars. You can help by speaking to your child about a healthy snack they would like to eat at school. Just a reminder, children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 are provided with a piece of fruit every day.

We're launching an Eco Council Parents' Group - can you join?

Our budding Eco Councillors have amazing ideas and are in need of a dedicated group of parents to help support their efforts!

The children have set their sights on purchasing water butts and Swift boxes this year, and have some more wonderful 'green' initiatives that they would like to trial at school.

As a member of the Eco Council Parents' Group, you would:

- Meet once a term (time of day / frequency to be determined by the members!)
- Work with the school staff responsible for leading the Eco Council, and plan how best to support the efforts of our enthusiastic student Eco Councillors



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(including fundraising events and national green events such as Walk To School Week)

- Have the full support of the PTA team of volunteers for partnering up on cake sales and larger events like the Summer Fayre
- Help support the school's vision and goals for sustainability
- Have the freedom to introduce and explore sustainable ideas within school

The first meeting will take place after half term. For more information or to register your interest, please contact Helen Lerwill via the office: parents@wychwood-pri.oxon.sch.uk or Daisy Pratt on wychwoodprimarypta@gmail.com.

Please see the term dates below for events happening in the Spring Term.

| Date | Details | Who |
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| January 30 th | Young Voices | Choir |
| January 31 st | Story Museum Trip | Reception |
| February 1 st | Kilvrough Information 5.30pm | Year 6 Parents |
| February 2 nd | West Oxfordshire Cross Country Finals | Selected Children |
| February 7 th | Multi-skills at Burford School | Year 3 |
| February 9 th | End of Spring Term 1 | All |
| February 12 th -16 th | Half Term | All |
| February 19 th | Start of Spring Term 2 | All |
| February 19 th -23 rd | Residential- Kilvrough | Year 6 |
| February 20 th | Visit to St. Mary's Church | KS1 |
| February 21 st | Hill End Trip | Year 5 |
| February 27 th | Heights and Weights Survey | Reception & Year 6 |
| March 7 th | World Book Day | All |
| March 12 th | Parent Meetings | All |
| March 13 th | Parent Meetings | All |
| March 14 th | Street dancing at Burford School | Year 4 |
| March 18 th , 19 th , 26 th , 27 th | Bikeability- Cycle proficiency training | Year 5 |
| March 22 nd | Swimming Gala | Selected KS2 pupils |
| March 22 nd | The Boy at the Back of the Class Theatre trip | Year 3/4 |
| March 25 th | Science Oxford- Planetarium | Year 5/6 |
| March 26 th | Year 3/4 Performance 2:15 in School Hall | Year 3/4 |
| March 27 th | Year 3/4 Performance 5.30 in School Hall | Year 3/4 |
| March 27 th | Tag Rugby at Burford School | Selected Year 5/6 |

