



Shine as Lights in the World
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June 27th 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another long email, I'm afraid. It just goes to show how much we are packing into each week this term. Thank goodness it's the weekend!

Summer Fayre

A huge thank you to Susie and the PTA team for a really excellent day on Saturday at the annual Summer Fayre. The weather was kind to us in the end (aside from a few welcome drops of rain!) and lots of fun was had by all. Thank you to all the volunteers and staff who supported before, during and after for the big clean-up.

We are planning to hold the rescheduled maypole and country dances for children in Reception and Years 1-4 on Monday 14th July at around 9am. Please just stay in the playground after drop-off (like on World Book Day) and, after we have registered the children, we will bring them out again to perform their dances. We hope you can join us.

Move Up Morning

We had a very successful morning with children in new classes and teachers for September. Children in Years 1-4 for September have brought slips home to indicate their new class teacher.

Staffing

Please see the attached staffing list for September. You will see that we have appointed Lisa King to join our Year 3 and 4 team, teaching in Rowan Class. Lisa is starting her teaching career with us but has lots of experience working in primary schools in Gloucestershire.

We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Mrs Sarah King at the end of this term. Many of you will know Mrs King who has been a teaching assistant in our school for 6 years. We wish her all the best as she moves onto new adventures.

We currently have two vacancies for teaching assistant roles in our school to start in September. You can view these on our website.



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The Great Wychwood Bake Off

The Bake-off Final took place on Monday. Our 3 finalists, Teddy, Bryony and Abbie did an amazing job and our judges were really impressed with all 3 Rocky Road creations. All 3 were awarded a cookbook for their efforts – and Abbie was crowned the Winner of this year's competition.

OPAL

If you haven't done so already, please take a moment to complete the parent survey that was sent out last week. Your views are really important to us and will not only help us shape our provision, but also help us to measure the impact of the programme:

<https://forms.gle/6x5rNqzxkyXqAT8k7>

It has been a wonderful start to our new playtime offer. Hopefully your children have been talking to you about some of the small but impactful changes we have made so far. You can help us to keep the momentum going by donating any of the following things if you have them available. I have put the most wanted items in bold:

- **Large Ikea type bags**
- **Kitchen pots, pans, baking trays, wooden spoons, chopping boards**
- Old cushions and blankets/picnic blankets
- 'Small world' toys (Dinosaurs, Cars, Sealife, Minibeasts, Babies, Fairy Gardens, etc.)
- **Duplo/Lego/MegaBloks bricks**
- **Tarp, Bedding, large sheets of fabric**
- **Hats/scarves/jazzy shirts/elasticated skirts/waistcoats/wedding dresses/character costumes for dressing up**
- **Pegs (to help to set up dens)**
- Briefcases or suitcases, especially on wheels

Sulgrave Manor

The children in Years 3 and 4 had a wonderful visit to Sulgrave Manor yesterday where they enjoyed a range of enriching experiences to enhance the learning they have been doing about the Tudors and Tudor Britain. Thank you to the staff and volunteers who helped make this day so successful.

Year 1 and 2 Music Festival

This week the Year 2 children and two Year 6 narrators performed The Bumblesnouts Save the World at the Burford Partnership Music Festival at Burford Secondary School. They did a wonderful job which was swiftly followed by an equally wonderful performance of the same show by the Year 1 children in school. Well done to everyone involved!

Year 5 and 6 races

Thank you to all the parents who came to support the Year 5 and 6 children as they took part in some races on Wednesday afternoon, earning lots of house points along the way. We hope you and the children enjoyed the afternoon.

Dates for the Diary

Date	Details	Who
1 st & 8 th July	Year 6 Swimming – Chipping Norton	Group B
1 st July	Year 2 Cricket	Year 2
3 rd July	Year 1 and 2 trip to Warwick Castle	Year 1 and 2
4 th July	Burford School Pastoral Team coffee morning – in the hall	Year 6 parents
4 th July	Year 2 Sleepover	Year 2
10 th July	Leavers BBQ 4.30 – 6.30pm	Year 6 (Parents from 6pm)
11 th July	Cotswold Farm Park Visit	Reception
14 th July	Maypole and Country Dancing	Year R, 1, 2, 3, 4 parents – after drop-off
16 th July	Year 5 & 6 Performance – 7pm	Year 5 & 6 Parents
17 th July	Wychwood's Got Talent Final	All
18 th July	Leaver's service – Shipton Church 9:30am	Year 6 & Parents
18 th July	Last Day of term – 1.30pm Finish	All

Thank you all for your continued support.

Best wishes,

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