

# Shine as Lights in the World Philippians 2.15

Friday March 8th, 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Word Book Day**

What a fantastic day we had yesterday. It was great to see all the children's brilliant costume ideas in the playground. The winners this year were Molly in Year 5/6 as horticulturist, Dottie in Year 3/4 as angelic, Isabella in Year 1/2 who dressed up as Mary Queen of Scots and used the word unfair and finally in Reception we had Olivia with the word ferocious. The children have come home with a guess the teacher reading competition – there is a book token up for grabs for the winner so get guessing and return your entry by next Friday. A big thank you to the PTA for serving hot drinks and snacks to parents before the parade and to Mrs. Gent for organising the day.

#### <u>Author Visit – Christopher Edge</u>

We are delighted to welcome the award-winning children's author, Christopher Edge to our school next Tuesday to lead an interactive assembly for our Key Stage 2 children. If you would like to pre-order a signed copy of one of his books, please follow the links in the letter (attached to this email).

#### P.E. Uniform

Can I ask that parents help support us for P.E. sessions by ensuring that if children are wearing earrings that they come to school taped, as we seem to spend more time preparing for PE at the moment than we normally do. In addition, can we ask that all long hair is tied back not just for P.E. but every day as we are seeing an increase of nits around the classes. Thank you.

#### **Parents Evening**

This is a final reminder to book an appointment for our parent teacher meetings on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March.

https://www.signupgenius.com/index.cfm?go=c.SignUpSearch click 'Find a Sign Up' and Enter office.3257@wychwood-pri.oxon.sch.uk into the email section and this should take you to Wychwood Parents Meetings. The sign-up sheets will be closed on Sunday evening.

Please note that Magical Maths will be the only after school club that will run on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>. This will take place on the Astro (weather permitting).





#### **Swimming Pool Lifesaving Course**

We are really excited that the school pool will be in use from May half term for school swimming and also for you to be able to swim as a family out of school hours.

To be able to use it as a family you need to take the lifesaver course. This is a day course on Saturday 18th of May and involves First Aid and Emergency Procedures which will all be covered in the school hall. You will be required to get into the pool for some rescue demonstrations, but you will not need to swim (maximum pool depth is 0.9 metres). A course booklet will be issued before the course and you will need to complete the worksheets ready to review together at the course. The qualification lasts for 2 years. Pool membership will cost £120 (you can opt to pay in 3 monthly £40 instalments) for the first year which covers the training and membership, then a membership payment for the second year will be £50.

Members who took the course last year can renew pool membership without having to take the course. Sam Bevan will be in touch in due course. If you were expecting to renew but haven't heard from her please email sam.bevan.home@gmail.com

We rely on lifesavers to volunteer to support the school swimming lessons by lifesaving and testing the pool water where possible.

For more information and to sign up to the course please email Sam Bevan - sam.bevan.home@gmail.com

# A message from the PTA...

**Thank you so much** for supporting our first World Book Day coffee and breakfast station! It was a lot of fun to do, a very short and swift event, and we were so grateful that so many of you made a coffee stop with us! We'll let you know how much you helped us to raise next week!

## Chastleton House Takeover - cake donations needed!

The National Trust has invited us back to Chastleton House to run its cafe next **Saturday 16th March**! We've found these cafe dates to be a really great fundraising tool as part of our yearly calendar of events, as we get to keep everything we make on the day and they're great fun to run too!

So, please come and see us for your weekend tea and homemade cake fix - we're open from 1 - 5pm in Chastleton Church, next to Chastleton House (follow the signs!). And if you can spare a couple of hours to help in our 'pop-up' cafe next weekend, we'd love you to join us! Alternatively, if anyone can bake a cake, cupcakes/muffins or a traybake for us to sell, we'd love you forever! Cake donations can be brought to the office on Friday 15th March, or delivered to a drop off point in the Wychwoods on the evening of 15th or the morning of the 16th. If you can help with either, please pop your name down on the Classlist sign-up sheet, message Daisy directly (you can find her details in the search





function on Classlist), email: <a href="mailto:wychwoodprimarypta@gmail.com">wychwoodprimarypta@gmail.com</a> or let a PTA friend or your class rep know!

### **Guess The Teacher's Pet - competition**

Thank you so much for all your brilliant entries, we've totted up the scores and Molly Seymour in Cherry scored the most answers correctly! Well done Molly!

Happy weekend all, The PTA Team :)

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

Date	Details	Who
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Christopher Edge, Author, to visit	KS2
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Meetings 3.30 – 7pm	All
March 13 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Meetings 3.30 – 6pm	All
March 14 <sup>th</sup>	Street dancing at Burford School	Year 4
March 18 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> , 26 <sup>th,</sup> 27 <sup>th</sup>	Bikeability- Cycle proficiency training	Year 5
March 21st	Big Science Presentations	Year 1-6
March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Swimming Gala	Selected KS2 pupils
March 22 <sup>nd</sup>	The Boy at the Back of the Class Theatre	Year 3/4
	trip	
March 25 <sup>th</sup>	Science Oxford- Planetarium	Year 5/6
March 26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 Performance 2:15 in the Hall	Year 3/4
March 27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3/4 Performance 5.30 in the Hall	Year 3/4
March 27 <sup>th</sup>	Tag Rugby at Burford School	Selected Year 5/6
March 28 <sup>th</sup>	End of Spring Term- 1:30	All
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Term begins	All

#### **Birthday Book Donations**

Happy Birthday to Scarlett (Willow). Thank you for donating a book to your class. We hope you have a special day! If you would like to donate a book, please collect a donation sticker from the school office.



Thank you for your continued support!

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