



Shine as Lights in the World
Philippians 2.15

3rd October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Harvest Festival

This morning, the children in Reception, Years 1 and 2 and a small group of our Year 6 children visited St. Mary's Church, Shipton for our annual Harvest Festival. It was a lovely service and great to see so many family members join us too. Huge thanks to the parents who supported us with walking the children safely to and from the church, especially on such a drizzly day.

Cross Country

Congratulations to all the children we took to the partnership cross country event today. They all represented the school incredibly well and showed a huge amount of resilience to keep going. In addition to the amazing sportsmanship the children showed, 4 of our teams got through to the finals which will take place in January. A special mention to Jessica in Year 4 who won the under 9s girl's race. Congratulations everybody! Thank you to Mr Leader, Mr Townsend, Mr Loader and Mr Chapple for accompanying the children.

Curriculum Newsletters

Each week, we are excited to share with you our new curriculum newsletters. Each one will be linked to a different subject and will detail ways you can further enhance your children's learning in that subject at home. This week is PSHE! We hope you enjoy these newsletters. Let us know what you think.

School Photos

Individual and sibling photos will be taken in school on Tuesday. Please make sure your child has a green cardigan / jumper / hoodie for their photo. Please note we are only able to accommodate siblings who are in our school.

Flu Vaccinations

Flu vaccinations will take place next Thursday for those children whose parents have signed up for this. If you have not done so yet, please use this link:

<https://www.oxfordhealthimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

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Secondary School Applications

Just a reminder that Secondary School Applications are open for Year 6 pupils. The deadline for applying for a Secondary School place is October 31st 2025. Here is a link to the online application form.

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/year-7-applications>

PTA update

******Disco tonight******

We are looking forward to seeing you at the disco later. Please remember pocket money and water bottles!

Tickets will still be available to buy on the door for £4 (cash only).

Fireworks night – Saturday 1st November – advance tickets now on sale!

We have now launched online ticket sales via Classlist. Do share [this link](#) with friends and family – all are welcome.

We will also be selling via St Michaels Store and the school office from next week (cash only). Look out for an announcement on the Wychwood Post Facebook group! It would be great if you could also share the post with your friends and other local village pages.

We will need a big group of helpers to enable us to run another successful event – just 30 minutes of your time would be so useful to help us run the BBQ, refreshments and toy stall. Please check the 'Sign up lists' on Classlist and let us know if you can help.

Thank you all so much for your support!

Wreath making evening – Thursday 20th November – save the date

Please do make a note in your diary to save the date of our wreath making workshop. Led by the brilliant Becca from Fern & Belle Flowers, come along to make your own beautiful wreath from locally-sourced greenery while enjoying some tasty nibbles and festive drinks. Look out for an announcement on ticket sales in the next few weeks!

Thanks so much for your support,
The PTA Team

Dates for the Autumn Term

Date	Details	Who
7 th October	School Photographs	All
9 th October	Flu Vaccinations	All

12 th October	Teas at Chastleton House	PTA
13 th October	Football Partnership event (2.45-4.45pm)	Selected Yr 5/6 children
20 th – 24 th October	International Week	All
27 th – 31 st October	Half Term	All
1 st November	Fireworks Night @ Shipton Cricket Club	All
3 rd November	INSET Day	All
11 th & 12 th November	Parent / Teacher Meetings	All
20 th November	PTA Wreath Making event	Parents
27 th November	Chipping Norton Pantomime	Year 1 & 2
4 th December	Reception Nativity (2.30pm)	Reception & Parents
11 th & 12 th December	Key Stage 1 Nativity (2pm both days)	Year 1/2 & Parents
19 th December	Church Service at St Mary's, Shipton	Year 3/4 & Parents

Thank you for your continuing support.

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