



News from Cumnor School

Autumn Term Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Half term seems an age away, but I hope you had a restful one.

Owls Visit Year 2

Year 2 welcomed Chrissie's Owls to school on Tuesday as part of their Fire and Light topic. Chrissie brought a couple of owls to show and fly – it was a fabulous experience for everyone!



MyMaths visit

A team from MyMaths came to school this week to do some publicity filming with some of our classes. They were very impressed with our children and were able to answer some of our own MyMaths queries too.

Centenaries

Next Friday, classes from across the school will either be celebrating the centenary of the start of women gaining the right to vote or commemorating the centenary of the end of the First World War. Our Year 6 children will spend the day in the WW1 practice trenches at Hill End. (There will be guided tours of the trenches next weekend too if you would like to visit with your family – see attached flyer). If you have any information or artefacts connected to either of these centenaries, do let us know.



Poppies

Next week we will be joining in the Poppy Appeal and selling poppies in aid of The British Legion. If your child would like one, then a donation should be brought in at any point during the week, as our Year 6 children will go to each class every day.

Parent Teacher Meetings

We are looking forward to seeing you at our Parent Teacher meetings next week. If you haven't had a chance to make an appointment yet, please do get in touch with the school office as soon as possible. There will also be a second hand uniform sale.

November

This November a few of us will be taking part in the annual Movember event. We will be sporting dodgy facial hair to raise funds and awareness to fight men's health issues like testicular cancer, prostate cancer, mental health and suicide prevention. We want to stop men dying too young!

If you'd like to know more or join the team then email me at vicar@cumnor.org and if you want to donate to the cause then please visit the website: noteam.co/cumnor-mo-s
Thank you so much for your support! Rev Jonathan Widdess.



Lunchtime Supervisors

We are in need of additional lunchtime supervisors on both the KS1 and KS2 playground, either full time, part time or just to cover staff absence. If you think this may be of interest to you or someone you know, please get in touch with the office.

School photos

Individual and family photos were taken today and your child will bring home the proofs for ordering. Please complete your order online within 7 days for free post and packaging back to school, or alternatively return your order and payment envelope to the school office by Friday 9th November at the latest.

From Your PTA

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Cauliflower Cards fundraiser. The artwork was wonderful and we're all looking forward to seeing the finished holiday cards and gifts the children have created!

We are now gearing up for our much anticipated Christmas Fayre on Friday December 7th. With that in mind, Friday November 30th will be a non-uniform day. We ask that on that day, the children please bring in items for our Adult and Children's Christmas Tombolas. These could include toys, chocolate, wine, toiletries or any other lovely items someone might like to win at the Fayre.

There will be a Second Hand Uniform Sale in the school hall during parent/teacher meetings next Tuesday and Wednesday. There is a huge selection of uniform and all items are just £1 each. If you would like to help out with this, please contact Erica ericarlouisemartin@gmail.com and let her know.

We are very pleased to welcome Joe Francis to the PTA Committee. For contact details of all PTA Committee members and more information about school events, please see the notice board, outside by the front entrance. Thank you!

WEEK 2 menus

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Oven Baked Salmon Fish Cakes Or Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Chicken and Vegetable Pie Or Crispy Quorn Dippers	Roast Gammon and Yorkshire Pudding Or Vegetarian Mince and Vegetable Cottage Pie	Minced Beef and Creamed Potatoes Or Macaroni Cheese	Oven Baked Breaded Fish Or Quorn Hot Dog

Next Week:

Tuesday 6 th November	AM	Year 6 visit to the JR hospital for the IMPS programme
Tuesday 6 th November	3.30pm – 7.00pm	Parent / Teacher Meetings
Wednesday 7 th November	3.30pm – 5.00pm	Parent / Teacher Meetings
Wednesday 7 th November	AM	Year 2 visit to the Synagogue
Friday 9 th November	All Day	Centenary events
Friday 9 th November	All Day	Year 6 at Hill End all Day

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Learning about Bonfire Night, how to be safe and how to keep our pets safe, making our own bonfire and recognising 2D and 3D shapes and what their names are.
Year 1	Recognising teen numbers, listening to lots of fairy tales and learning some features of castles
Year 2	Naming 3D shapes, using sparklers safely and writing poems using adjectives.
Year 3	Making notes and creating reports, using commutativity in multiplication and designing Viking shields.
Year 4	Reading and writing instructions, evaluating the results of our teeth experiment and starting to learn songs for the KS2 production.
Year 5	Calculating area and perimeter, learning about the impact of "Fairtrade" on cocoa farmers and working on the design and decoration of our truffle boxes.
Year 6	Finding out about Queen Victoria and Charles Dickens, reading stave one of 'A Christmas Carol' and solving time problems.

Yours sincerely,



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LOTTERY FUNDED



Would you like a guided tour of First World War practice trenches dug by local soldiers over one hundred years ago?

With the kind permission of Wytham Woods Estate, and a grant made possible by National Lottery players through the **Heritage Lottery Fund - First World War: Then and Now programme**, Hill End Outdoor Education Centre are inviting families of Cumnor Parish to visit on Saturday 10th November.

This day is a follow-up to a visit by year six from Cumnor Primary School on the 9th November

Together we are aiming to:

- Learn a little more about what life was like in a trench by getting in one!
- Gather and record thoughts, perceptions and feelings of current generations about the First World War.
- Research and collect local family information to add to archives held by Hill End, Wytham Woods and others.

The material gathered will also be displayed locally for all to view.

Morning tour starts at 10am. Afternoon tour starts at 2pm.

Meet in the Hill End car park next to the Blue Dragon building.

There will be tea and biscuits at the end of each tour; a time to exchange thoughts and feelings.

If you would like to attend, please book a place on either the morning or afternoon tour by contacting Hill End at admin@hill-end.org or phone 01865 863510

Places are free but spaces are limited so booking is essential.