



# News from Cumnor School

Autumn Term Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

Thank you for coming along to the Parent / Teacher meetings this week. I hope you found them useful and informative. If you didn't get a chance to meet your child's class teacher, please do get in touch with the office as soon as possible to make an appointment in the near future.



## Centenary Celebrations

We have had a very full day today thinking about the centenary celebrations; remembrance of the end of WW1 and the centenary of women being allowed the vote, and the start of gender equality. All the classes have been taking a different aspect of this work and I am sure they learnt a great deal from it. Our Year 6 children spent the day in the WW1 trenches at Hill End (you can go and see them tomorrow if you wish), and I am very proud of our Year 5 children who went to the war memorial this morning to lay poppies and crosses in memory of those from Cumnor who lost their lives. They behaved brilliantly, courteously and respectfully.



## Lunchtime Supervisors

We are 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.

## Trips this week

Year 6 and Year 2 have had a particularly busy week with various trips out. On Tuesday our Year 6 children spent the morning at the J.R. Hospital, learning about injury minimization and how to keep themselves and others safe. Friday was a WW1 themed day at Hill End with Kim Base, where they have spent the day exploring the WW1 trenches and learning more about what life would have been like for a soldier during the war.

Year 2 have also been out this week, after welcoming the Oxford Fire and Rescue Team to school in their fire engine on Monday, they also paid a visit to the Synagogue in Oxford. Both classes behaved brilliantly and hopefully got a lot out of the visits.

## Year 4 and Year 6 Maths Challenges

Teams of our Year 4 and Year 6 young mathematicians had competitions this week, The Year 4s of Amelia, Nikita, Micah and Caleb visiting Summer Fields School and Luke, Luca, Caoimhe and Rhiannan visiting Headington School for our Year 6's. Both teams did really well coming around 20<sup>th</sup> out of the 60 schools at each event and had a great time showing how much fun maths can be!

## From Your PTA

**Friday November 30<sup>th</sup> is non-uniform day.** We ask that on that day, the children please bring in items for our Adult and Children's Christmas Fayre Tombolas. These could include toys, books, chocolate, wine, toiletries or any other lovely items someone might like to win.

Our annual **Christmas Fayre** is happening on **Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:30pm!** Bring the whole family along for a fun, festive evening of games, crafts and super prizes. Even Father Christmas will be stopping by to visit the children! There will be plenty of yummy food available including our famously delicious winter-warmer chili and gourmet hotdogs! Not forgetting sweet treats too, we are calling on all home-bakers to bring in festively decorated cupcakes to sell on the night. These can be brought to school the morning of the Fayre or on the night. Thank you!

You will soon receive an email from your PTA Class Rep regarding the many volunteering opportunities at the Fayre. If you are able spare an hour or so helping in the café or at one of the stalls, please do sign up. We would be most thankful!

The **Christmas Raffle** will also be held that night. Raffle ticket booklets will be sent home with the children next week. Please keep a look out for them and return your completed booklets to the office. We already have some amazing prizes lined up including **FOUR tickets to see West End Panto, Snow White at the London Palladium!** If you or someone you know are able to contribute a raffle prize for this year's draw, please contact Tara at [tara.cm@gmail.com](mailto:tara.cm@gmail.com) and let us know. Food, wine, tickets, vouchers of any kind - it all helps to make the event more exciting and all funds raised go right back into the school.

## WEEK 3 menus

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Chicken and Sweetcorn Pasta Bake Or Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Toad-in-the-Hole Or Vegetarian Meatballs with Rice	Roast Chicken with Stuffing Or Roast Quorn Fillet with Stuffing	Minced Beef Chilli with Rice Or Vegetable Lasagne	Oven Baked Fish Fingers Or Cheese and Onion Pinwheel

## Next Week:

Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	All day	Year 1 to the Oxford Castle
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	PM	Choir singing at Cumnor Remember When Concert
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> November	PM	Year 5 Chocolate Project Judging
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	AM	Preschool Nearly New Sale

## What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Celebrating Diwali, learning about Remembrance Day and practising sounding out simple words.
Year 1	Comparing length, mass and capacity, writing sentences about fairy tales and building junk model castles.
Year 2	Visiting the Synagogue, practising the 2 x table and learning about remembrance.
Year 3	Learning our 8 x table, finding out about Saxon farming and starting to make Viking shields.
Year 4	Learning the formal multiplication method, reading and writing remembrance poems and finding out about the women's suffrage movement.
Year 5	Solving problems by interpreting information in tables, commemorating local people who died in the war and taking their names on crosses to the war memorial.
Year 6	Learning to use semi-colons accurately within sentences, calculating percentages and reading stave 2 of 'A Christmas Carol'.

Yours sincerely,



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