News from Cumnor School

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Dear Parents,

Year 6 Aspirations Day

Our Year 6 children were treated to over 20 visitors from a whole variety of different jobs and careers on Thursday. The children had a chance to meet people who had jobs as diverse as solicitors, police, vets, computer programmers and flight attendant. It was a brilliant experience and gave the children a real insight into possible careers and areas of academic focus that they would need if they want to follow the same paths. It was fascinating to hear what some jobs involved and how different they all were. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to talk with our children and especially our parent governor, Kim Rogers who organised the whole event. I'm hoping that this will become a regular feature on our annual calendar of events, so maybe you'll be able to join us next year?

Danish Longball

If you have never heard of it, you're not alone! We sent a team to learn how to play it and take part in a friendly competition with Appleton school on Monday. All the players worked really well together to learn a new sport and have fun improving at it, developing winning strategies and using their skills from other sports. Congratulations to Jacob, Zakirah, Henry, Caleb, Kia, Jack, Emily and Elyonna who represented our school brilliantly.

Summer Term Parent Survey

We are always keen to capture your views on our school, how you think we are doing and ideas for further improvement. Each year we send out a questionnaire to parents to help us not only with this snapshot, but also to monitor trends from year to year.
Once again we will be conducting our survey online using survey monkey. This is very easy to do and should save a great deal of time for everyone. Please click on this link or copy it into your browser to complete the questionnaire. Closing date 23rd July. Thank you.
https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CumnorCEPrimarySchoolSurvey2019

After School Clubs

Next week is the final week for school clubs with the exception of Gymnastics Club which will finish on Monday 15th July.

Scopay and end of term payments

I hope you are all now used to the new online payment system we are using in school – 'Scopay'. We are having to finalise our accounts at the end of the academic year, so it is important that all payments pertaining to this year are paid up by the end of term. We would appreciate it if you could log on to Scopay to see if you owe any money for trips, events or school dinners, and clear your balances by the end of next week.

We have also been told that there is a new Scopay APP available on the Apple APP store and on Google Play. It seems extremely straight forward and intuitive to use and saves you having to load in passwords each time and navigate the site. I'm sure you'll find it useful. (Just type in Scopay in the app store or google play store.)

George McGavin

It was lovely to welcome scientist and T.V. presenter George McGavin back to school this week. George led a very informative, and moving assembly about the issues of using palm oil in a variety of products and the impact that this was having on the eco system and countries such as Madagascar. He went on to take some workshops with the Year 5 and Year 6 children. It is always great to welcome George to our school and he always teaches us something new. Thank you Mrs. Pottle for organizing his visit.

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	We have been practising for sports day, thinking about healthy eating and have started to learn our number bonds.
Year 1	Using arrays to help us multiply numbers, writing our own version of The Magic Paintbrush, and learning some Mandarin phrases.
Year 2	Using division strategies, painting in the style of Van Gogh and doing experiments to find out how seeds start growing.
Year 3	Learning and speeding up our times tables; studying root words and word families, and sketching trees using shading techniques.
Year 4	Telling the time and solving time problems, identifying prepositions and learning about Bastille Day.
Year 5	Searching for insects with George McGavin, completing our single point perspective artwork and writing balanced arguments for and against sailing round the world as a 10 year old.
Year 6	Researching famous artists, using bearings in maths and attending the aspiration morning.

Diary dates for the rest of term:

Tuesday 9th July	All Day	Year 6 Treat Day.
Wednesday 10th July	All Day	Year 4 visit to Coleshill Estate.
Tuesday 16th July	All Day	Year 2 visit to The Earth Trust.
Thursday 18th July	9.30am	Leavers service at St Michael's Church. Friends and Family welcome.
Friday 19th July	5.00pm onwards	PTA End of year BBQ.
Tuesday 23rd July	9.00am	Leavers assembly.
Tuesday 23rd July	1.15pm	End of term.
Wednesday 4th September		Autumn Term Starts.

WEEK 2 menus

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Carbonara Or Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Jacket Potato with Mild Beef Chilli Con Carne Or Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy Or Vegetarian Toad-in-the Hole with Gravy	Butchers' Sausage with Creamed Potato and Gravy Or Vegetable Lasagne	Oven Baked Fish Fillet Or Vegetable Burger in a Roll

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher