



News from Cumnor School

Summer Term Number 12

19th July 2019

Dear Parents,

Year 6 Leavers' Service

We held our annual Year 6 leavers' service on Thursday. It was our children's last school church service and it sent them all off in a lovely way. The children talked about their time at Cumnor school, sharing mementos of their times with us and thought about how necessary change is. Unfortunately, we had to postpone our annual staff v Year 6 rounders match due to today's rain but will try again on Monday. We then have one final assembly left on Tuesday morning in which we can say goodbye and wish them well on their way to the next stage of their education. We will miss them all, but know that many will keep in touch to let us know the wonderful things they get up to!



Charity election

Each year the children select a charity which they would like to support of the following 12 months. This year was The British Heart Foundation and through a variety of lovely events, including our sponsored walk we raised almost £1500 to support their work. In assembly on Monday, our School Council shared with us details of the charities they would like us to support next year; Ronald McDonald House in Oxford, UNICEF and St Tiggywinkles. The children voted to their favourite charity at the polling station in the hall on Tuesday, and once all the votes were counted, St Tiggywinkles secured just over 50% of the votes. I am sure the new School Council, elected in the autumn, will come up with all sorts of exciting events to help us support St Tiggywinkles next year.



Donation for Cumnor Hill House

It was lovely to welcome staff from Cumnor Hill House Nursing Home to assembly this morning. Cumnor Hill House have supported in the school in a variety of ways this term, and came in today to present a donation to school for £5,000. We are very grateful for this and it will significantly help us develop the resources in school. We look forward to continuing our work with the nursing home in the future.

Year 2 Garden Party

Our Year 2 children enjoyed a wonderful garden at school on Thursday. They invited their Year 5 buddies and their families and friends to an afternoon of fun food, games and songs. What a lovely way to end their topic.



Lunchtime Supervisor needed

Are you looking for a part time role in school? We need more people to join our excellent lunchtime team starting from September 2019 (especially at the start of the week)

We are looking for someone with lots of energy, a 'can do' attitude, relentless positivity, a great sense of humour and with the ability to form effective, nurturing and supportive relationships with children and colleagues.

If you are interested, please get in touch with the school office as soon as possible.

Crossing Petition at Chawley Lane

You may be aware that one of our ex-students, Madi Dingle, was knocked down by a car at the top of Cumnor Hill near Chawley Lane 4 weeks ago. Madi is now out of hospital and recovering well. As a result, Madi's family have set up a petition to reduce the speed limit here to 30 and to add a crossing. If you would like more details and to sign the petition, please follow this link:

<https://www.change.org/p/oxford-city-council-reduction-of-speed-and-a-crossing-in-cumnor-chawley-lane>

From your PTA:

We are really looking forward to seeing you all at the Cumnor Primary **End-of-Year BBQ tonight**, our last social event of the season! Rain or shine, we'll be cooking up delicious burgers and hot dogs. There'll be salad and sweets and plenty of drinks to choose from the fabulous bar! We'll even have child-friendly mocktails on offer this year! This will be a relaxed evening of delicious food and drink for all Cumnor School families, as well as a chance to say farewell to our Year 6 leavers. Doors open at 5pm! Bring your appetite and we'll see you there!

Once again, we will be holding an **AUCTION** at the BBQ. Up for grabs so far are a place at *Oxfordshire Skill Acquisition Academy* Holiday Soccer Camp worth £50 (5 weeks and 2 venues to choose from: www.osaacademy.co.uk), a £25 voucher for *Andrew's Drycleaners*, a 1-month membership to *The Park Club, Milton*, a full-day voucher for *Super Camps* **AND** £50 towards a hall rental at *Dean Court Community Centre*. Get your bids in at the BBQ or email PTA Secretary Tara (tara.cm@gmail.com). Bidding will close at **8pm** sharp on the night of the BBQ. Best of luck!

The PTA Committee are a very friendly, productive team, hoping to expand. So if you have been thinking of joining, now's the time! If you have any questions about what we do, how often we meet, or how you might help, please contact your class rep or our Chair Adrian Pitts at pitts.adrian@gmail.com. We would love to hear from you!

Summer Term Parent Survey- last chance!!

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>

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Having a teddy bear challenge day, completing our P.E. with a gymnastics class and hosting a play date for Year 1 to help support our transitions next year.
Year 1	Comparing the Netball World Cup scores, writing about the story of 'Ming Lo Moves the Mountain', and preparing our Chinese banquet.
Year 2	Preparing and hosting our garden party, writing our own versions of Ning Nang Nong and solving maths puzzles.
Year 3	Timing in seconds and tenths of a second, printing our leaf-design bags, playing tennis and making thank you cards.
Year 4	Writing persuasive leaflets to advertise mountainous regions, knowing the points of the compass and using them to read and write directions, and considering the positive and negative impact of tourism.
Year 5	Finding locations in the world using longitude and latitude. Rehearsing the play of 'Fantastic Mr Fox' ready to perform to our buddies next week, and up levelling and editing our writing about 'The Titanic'.
Year 6	Preparing for our leavers assembly and Church service, completing our stories and art projects.

Diary dates for the rest of term:

Friday 19 th July	5.00pm onwards	PTA End of year BBQ.
Tuesday 23 rd July	9.00am	Leavers assembly.
Tuesday 23 rd July	1.15pm	End of term.
Wednesday 4 th September		Autumn Term Starts.

WEEK 1 menus:

Monday	Tuesday
Oven Baked Salmon Fishcakes Or Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Homemade Beef Lasagne Or Crispy Quorn Dippers

As this is my last newsletter of the year, I want to finish by thanking all our staff for their enthusiasm, hard work and commitment to our school. They have all been fantastic. Thank you too for your support over the year. I know that you appreciate the work we do for your children and we are glad for the positive relationship we have with you and support you give us.

I wish all of our summer leavers, including our year 6 children and some children from other year groups, the best of luck for their futures and hope that they are able to come back regularly and let us know how they are getting on.

I hope you all have a wonderful and relaxing summer break and I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Wednesday 4th September.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Headteacher