



News from Cumnor School

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Dear Parents,

Our Acorn class Superheroes gave us a wonderful end of term treat in their class assembly this morning. Their theme of Superheroes was carried off brilliantly with some lovely reading, storytelling and dancing. Well done everyone – what a super class! We're now looking forward to travelling to the other end of the school to see the Year 6 class assembly on the first Friday back after half term.



Heating update

The heating engineers think they'll be finished today so when we come back to school after half term we should all be lovely and warm once again!

'Oliver!' at Matthew Arnold School

Year 6 pupils went to Matthew Arnold School on Tuesday this week to see the MAS production of Oliver! It was a wonderful performance and it was great to see so many of our ex-students taking to the boards. Our children were so pleased to see some of their old friends - maybe they'll be the ones we go and see next year!

A London Marathon update from Mrs Merrill.

Thank you so much to those that have sponsored me so far, I really do appreciate it, and I'm just over half way to reaching my fundraising target of £1250.00 for Oxfordshire I.M.P.S.

As a school we use I.M.P.S every year for our year 6's. They get to spend a morning at the John Radcliffe Hospital where they are taught emergency first aid, CPR, the recovery position, how to use an AED machine and risk assessing for themselves as they start to venture out more on their own and gain independence.

Training is going very well, I am currently running 4 times a week totalling 25-30 miles at the moment and this will rise up to 40 miles a week by the end of March. Last Saturday mornings' long run was a distance PB for me of 14 miles! Tomorrow's will be another one of 16/17 miles! These long runs will eventually increase to our longest run before the big day of 20 miles on the 28th March, so if you see me limping into school the following Monday morning you know why!

If any of you have any pennies or pounds you could spare to help me reach my target I would be most grateful and have attached the link to my JustGiving page below.

Many thanks, Mrs Merrill - Yr 2 & Yr 3 <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sharon-merrill>

PTA news

Thank you to everyone who supported the quiz. The tables were made up of teachers, parents, friends and family, local residents and the parish council. Some great answers were submitted and it was clear that contestants knew their way around a drinks cabinet in the Food & Drink round. The NextGen teacher team leapfrogged the more established teacher team in the last round to win the contest by half a point. A barnstorming amount in the region of £700 was raised for the school. Thanks to the team of Gemma Pitts, Chris Morris, Laura & Tom Christophers and Jen Tubbs for organising, as well as Ailsa Morris and Jess Hanson for supporting promotion on the school drive, and Mark Atkins from the PTA for sorting out the all-important bar stock.

Half Term

Preschool Cake Sale: Cumnor Pre-school will be holding a cake sale at the top of the drive after school today.

Oxfordshire Museum Woodstock. There's lots going on at the museum this half term including: Make your own Anglo Saxon treasure, Explore the minute world of forensic archaeology, Discover more about life in Roman Oxfordshire, and a digital making session on robots, gizmos and coding with Woodstock Library. Full details at www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshiremuseum

WEEK menus after half term:

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

What's my child been doing this week?

Reception	Learning our new sounds th and ng, practising our superhero class assembly and writing valentines cards.
Year 1	Practising some mindfulness, splashing in muddy puddles on our winter walk and learning some rules about internet safety.
Year 2	Performing our circus to our year 5 buddies, painting art on the theme Vision 2020 and reading 'Sophie Takes to the Sky'.
Year 3	Revising our 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10 times tables, proof reading and editing texts and discovering how the eye works.
Year 4	Writing information texts, learning about Iron Age hillforts and enjoying our last Forest School session.
Year 5	Making our Greek scenery collages in art, practising balances in PE and writing our Greek raps.
Year 6	Creating Egyptian style portraits, publishing our news reports and using negative numbers in context.

Have a lovely half term break,

Yours sincerely



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