News from Cumnor School

Summer Term Number 7 *7th June 2024*

Dear Families,

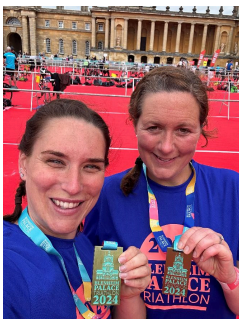
Adventure Day
Years 1-5 enjoyed an amazing day of climbing, archery, team games and more at Adventure Plus in Clanfield, Witney this week. We were really proud of the children's polite behaviour and enthusiasm to join in and the children had a marvellous time, as you can see from the photos below!
You might be interested to know that a holiday club is offered for children ages 8 and up.
https://www.adventureplus.org.uk/what-we-do/total-adventure-beacon/

It is also very important that as a school community we say a huge well done and thank you to Mrs Barry for arranging and planning a trip of this size for the vast majority of our children!

Year 6 Residential
We cannot wait to share a full piece on Year 6's adventure with the full school community in next week's newsletter. It has been wonderful to have updates about how they have been getting on. I know that they have done themselves and Cumnor School proud during their time away. We look forward to having them back in school next week.

Birthday treats
We love to recognise and celebrate birthdays in school. This might involve wearing badges, singing happy birthday and other bonuses! We support a number of children with allergies at Cumnor School which means that we must be very careful over the control of foods. For this reason, we kindly ask/remind you not to bring in birthday sweets or treats to be handed out.

Triathlon update
Thank you to everyone that has sponsored us so far. We completed our first triathlon on Saturday at Blenheim Palace in 1hr and 58 minutes, (just 5 minutes slower than 2 years ago). The swim was good, the hills were hard and quite windy on the bike and the run was tough with dead legs! but we smashed it and crossed the finish line together.



There is still lots of time to donate here. Our next one is Sunday 23rd June at Berinsfield Lake. Thank you again for all of your support and donations, they are greatly appreciated. Lisa Taylor & Anna Marriott

Lunches next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Vegetarian sausage roll OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Macaroni cheese OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Roast sausages OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Pasta bolognese OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Fish fillet OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket

What has my child been doing this week?

School Value of the week:	**Humility**
Reception	As usual it has been a busy week in Acorn Class! We have begun our new topic 'Beside the Seaside' and have been sharing our knowledge of the beach, the sea and traditions linked to the seaside. In maths we have been making pizzas and learning about halves and quarters and in PE we have been practising the sponge and water race amongst other things!
Year 1	This week, we have been working on understanding tens and ones in numbers to 100, starting our new topic of "Hunting for Treasure", and making our own treasure maps to practise our geographical vocabulary.
Year 2	This week we have been looking at time. We have focused on half past, quarter past and quarter to. We started our new topic 'minibeasts' by reading some fact books and going on a bug hunt! We have also been practising skipping with rhythm before we start to learn our maypole dancing routines.

Year 3	All the children have returned this week full of energy, which was especially useful for the busy day they had at the Outdoor Activity Centre in Clanfield on Wednesday. We have been learning about what plants need for life and growth in science. We have been continuing with our time telling skills in maths and have been practising our songs ready for the guitar concert next week.
Year 4	This week, we have started reading our new class book, 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'. We have been practising our times tables intensively, every day. We have also begun learning about different types of mountains and some of their features.
Year 5	This week we have started our new book "Alone on a wide wide sea." We have also found the volume of shapes in maths. We have located countries on the Tropics of Cancer and Capricorn in geography.

PTA Committee News:

Next **Friday June 14th** is **Non-Uniform Day.** We ask that on that day, the children please bring in items for our Adult and Children's Summer Fête Tombolas. These could include new or like-new toys and books, chocolate, wine, toiletries or any other lovely items someone would love to win. Items will be collected at the PTA tables as you come into the school field. Thank you!

The **Cumnor Primary School Summer Fête** is happening on **Friday June 21st from 5:30pm**. That's just 2 weeks from today! Students, parents, grandparents, alumni and friends are all invited to an outdoor evening of fun, food and seaside-themed festivities! A fabulous barbecue and bar, tombolas and challenge games, the Big Bookshop and Summer Raffle draw, beach volley-ball, the Great Seaside Bake-off, the famous Reception Class Lemonade Stand and much more will be happening on the night. We hope to see everyone there!

The **Summer Raffle** will be drawn live at the fête at 8pm! Raffle tickets will go home with students on Monday (1 envelope per family), so please keep a look-out and return your completed booklets & monies as soon as you can prior to the draw day. You can drop them into the office OR at the **KS1 picnic table before school**. Cash or card payments are welcome! Family, friends & neighbours are very welcome to purchase tickets and additional booklets are available. Just ask! This is a very important fundraiser for our school, so we hope you'll take part and buy loads of tickets!

Thanks to generous people and businesses all around Oxfordshire, there's a long and growing list of **fantastic prizes** to be won, including a week of half-day Summer Cricket Academy with the *Cumnor Cricket Club* worth £99, a week-long Summer Holiday Course with *Excel Tennis Academy* worth up to £243 and a week-long Junior Multi-Activity, Sailing or Windsurfing Summer Course with *Oxford Sail Training Trust* worth £335! There's something for everyone with prizes from *Batsford Arboretum, Blenheim Palace, City Sightseeing Oxford, Caper Books, Cotswold Wildlife Park, Elite Camps, Fairytale Farm, Farmer Gow's, Hill End Outdoor Education Centre, iBrick, Laser Kombat Oxford, Oxford Bus Museum, Oxford Tube, Oxford Wet n' Wild, Oxfordshire Skill Acquisition Academy, Painswick Rococo Garden, Partyman World of Play, Pendon Museum, Pippa's Flower Patch, Science Oxford, Snakes and Ladders, The Perch* and *Ultimate Activity Camps*! Keep an eye on the newsletter and our PTA Facebook page for updates as prizes are added right

up to the day of the draw!

Ahoy there, Artist! We invite all students to enter our **Seaside Art Competition**! You can use any materials you like, but it must be on our *seaside* theme and no bigger than a sheet of A4 paper. Art work, along with your £2 entry fee, must be handed in to your teacher or the school office **on or before next Friday** (*that's June 14th*, *non-uniform day!*). Be sure to write your full name and year on the back. Winning entries will be decided by a panel of lovely judges and all entries will be displayed at the Summer Fête!

What will you make for the **Great Seaside Bake Off**? Cakes, bakes, biscuits, brownies - you name it, as long as it's baked, it's welcome! Just £2 per entry and you could win in any of three prize categories:

1. **"That 'Shore' Is Tasty!"** This is all about flavour – who can make the yummiest, scrummiest, melt-in-the-mouthiest bake that will tickle the judges' tastebuds and win top prize?

2. **"Sea-ing is Believing!"** This is all about good looks! How will you decorate your bake to make it perfectly seaside themed? Beaches, crabs, fish, shells, deckchairs… so many choices!

3. **"Are You Squid-ing Me?!"** This is the award for the most original entry. So get creative and challenge yourself to make a brilliant stand-out bake!

Entries from grown-ups and children are welcome! To be included in the competition, entries must be delivered to school by 3.30pm on **Friday June 21st**, the day of the fête. Please include a clear list of ingredients used and label your plate/container. **Please do not use any nuts in your baking.** After judging, all entries will be sold at the Summer Fête, raising money for the school. We can't wait to see your marvellous creations!

Non-Bake Off donations of baked **cakes, cookies or slices** to sell on the night would also be much appreciated! You can bring them directly to the fete or drop them off to the school office earlier in the day on the 21st.

Finally, **we do need parent-help to make the Summer Fête a success!** Next week, your class will be invited to cover a stall at the fête. Please do put your name down to give half an hour or more to help. You will help make the night a spectacular one!

Diary dates:

Monday 10th June	All day	Year 4 trip to Coleshill Estate
Tuesday 11th June	AM	Year 6 Aspirations Morning
Thursday 13th June	2.00PM	Year 3 guitar concert - Y3 families welcome
Friday 14th June	All Day	Non-uniform day & PTA summer fete tombola donations collection day
Friday 21st June	Late PM / Evening	Summer Fete

Tuesday 25th June	Afternoon	Year 5 trip to Harwell Science Centre - late return (4pm)
Friday 28th June	AM	Year 6 Junior Citizens course at Rewley Road Fire Station
Tuesday 2nd July	All day	Year 3 class trip to Sutton Courtenay Environmental Education Centre
Wednesday 3rd July	All day	Year 2 class trip to Earth Trust
Wednesday 3rd July	Lunchtime	Plastics challenge day
Monday 8th July	AM	Sports Day (Morning) Parents welcome. Family picnic afterwards, weather dependant
Wed 10th - Fri 12th July		Year 5 Residential trip to Hill House
Tuesday 16th July	All day	Year 6 Treat Day
Friday 19th July	Late PM / Evening	End of year BBQ - all families welcome
Monday 22nd July	AM	Leavers Church Service - Families welcome
Tuesday 23rd July	AM Leavers Assembly	Leavers Assembly - year 6 parents welcome
Tuesday 23rd July	1.15pm	End of year

Yours sincerely,

Steven Badger
Headteacher

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THE SUMMER FETE

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free parking - sorry no dogs. For more details and bookings see:
https://hill-end.org/news/ffennellfestival2024