News from Cumnor School

Summer Term Number 9 *21st June 2024*

Dear Families,

Summer Fete this evening
We are looking forward to seeing lots of you at the Summer Fete this evening. Nights like this are incredibly important and I have been so impressed with the events held by the PTA so far this year. Thank you in advance to everyone who is coming to support the event as well as to those who have gone above and beyond in the planning and preparation to make it a success!

Teachers for next year
I'm sure that as the end of the term approaches, children and families eagerly await the news around who their teacher will be next year. I am very pleased to say that all of our wonderful and dedicated teachers will remain part of the Cumnor family next year. Mrs Barry will again teach Acorn Class, with Mrs Stockford leading on a Wednesday. Miss Pearson and Miss Davidson will remain the Year 1 (Willow) and Year 2 (Cherry) teachers respectively. Mrs Didcock will teach Year 3 (Birch), who will also have Mrs Pottle on a Monday. Year 4 (Beech) will again be taught by Ms Eaton. Mrs Crichton will remain in Year 5 (Maple), who will have Mrs Pottle on a Tuesday. Year 6 (Oak) will have Miss O'Neill as their class teacher. Mrs Davis (KS2) and Mrs Delacovias (KS1) will also be covering some of the teachers' planning time. We look forward to our 'Move Up Morning' on Wednesday 3rd July.

New goals!
A big thank you to Gemma Pitts, Chair of Cumnor Minors FC for the incredibly kind and generous donation of a set of goals for our KS2 field. As you can see below, the children are thrilled! Thanks also again to Jon Ward who brought the goals over to the school for us. We thoroughly appreciate it.

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Tuesday,18th June 2024

Dear Mrs. Pitts of Cumnor Minors FC,

We are writing to thank you for donating us your football goals.We greatly appreciate them as our old goals were plastic and did not have nets.They fell apart constantly and were a pain to deal with.

We can safely say that all of Cumor School greatly thank you for your generosity.They will be very useful for both P.E. and our playtime. We have already been using them for breaktime matches and kickabouts. We must thank you again for this because a lot of our students adore football.

We will use them wisely and put them to good use. We know that our students will enjoy all of the qualities of these brand new goals.We actually have a school fete coming up and we have a stand that is all about football and we will be sure to use them then.

In summary, we can not thank you enough for the kindness of giving these to us. Again, they will be very useful for our summer fete and for everything else we have mentioned.

Yours sincerely,
Harvey and Benji (Year 5)
Cumnor School

They still need your help!
Thank you to everyone who has supported Lisa and Anna in their Triple Triathlon fundraising efforts for the PTA. They embark on the next one this weekend and still need your help to meet their target. It goes without saying that we thoroughly appreciate their dedication! You can find out more and donate here.

Lunches next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homemade margherita pizza OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Homemade beef lasagne OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Roast chicken OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Hot dog OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket	Quorn dippers OR Ham / Cheese / Tuna Picnic Basket

Thank you to those of you who have given us feedback about the one-week ordering system. We have extended this to 6 weeks which will hopefully help families to plan ahead a bit more.

What has my child been doing this week?

School Value of the week:	**Humility**
Reception	It has been Lemonade Week in Acorn Class this week! We have written lemonade recipes, experimented with quantities of real lemon juice, sugar and water to make lemonade and made predictions about how long it will take to make our ice cubes for the drink. Finally we have been practising our selling and serving techniques and we can't wait to see you this evening at our Lemonade Stand!
Year 1	This week, we have been learning all about Shackleton's attempt to cross the Antarctic. We have examined pictures and videos from the voyage, written a diary entry as if we were Shackleton and been inspired by the work of Frances Hatch to produce penguin pictures using shading and lines of different thicknesses. We have also learned about saving money in PSHCE and naming garden plants in science.
Year 2	This week we have been reflecting on why christians go to church and how they celebrate. In ART we made our own stamps out of polystyrene and created some excellent prints. We took that a step further and looked at the work of Andy Warhol and drew some pieces inspired by his work.
Year 3	It's all been about the great outdoors this week! Year 3 have taken full advantage of the glorious sunshine and had a great afternoon at Cumnor Cricket Club on Wednesday where we learnt lots of new skills. We also had a fabulous joint PE lesson with Year 2 on Thursday when we played lots of orienteering games designed to promote teamwork, communication and collaboration. In RE, we acted out the story The Promise which shows the importance of having a connection with nature.

Year 4	This week, we have been interpreting information on line graphs and bar charts. In Science, we have been identifying the particle properties of solid, liquid and gas and in Geography we have been reading maps to locate mountains and understand how high their summits are.
Year 5	This week we have continued our work on life cycles and have weighed the chicks every day. We have converted between metric and imperial units in Maths. In geography, we have looked at the significance of lines of longitude and latitude. We also played a rounders match with Year 6.
Year 6	This week we attended Matthew Arnold School for a PE morning with other local primary schools. We also had a police officer visit to talk to the children about anti-social behaviour both in person and online. In English we have been finishing our diary entries about our Kilvrough trip.

PTA Committee News:

We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone at the **Summer Fête** tonight so get your favourite beachwear on and come on down for a delicious dinner and lots of fun! **Doors open at 5:30pm**. Adults £2 each and children are free! Along with a fabulous BBQ and bar, there'll be sweet treats, games of chance and challenge, tombolas, the *Big Bookshop* and *Summer Raffle* draw at 8pm, student performances, the *Great Seaside Bake-off*, arts & crafts to make, beach volley-ball, football and other sports to try! Our wonderful Year 5 students will even be running some of the stalls! Bring a blanket or some camping chairs and find a spot on the field. Sunscreen and hats recommended – you'll be at the 'seaside' after all!

Diary dates:

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
Monday 1st July	All day	Year 2 class trip to Earth Trust
Wednesday 3rd July	AM	Move up morning! Spend the morning with your new teacher.
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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Monday 12th - Fri 16th August

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Monday 5th - Friday 9th August

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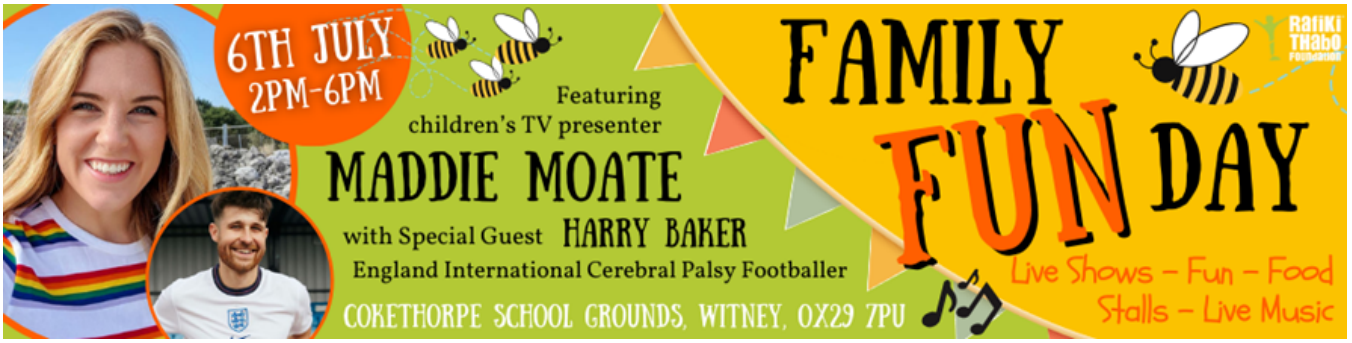

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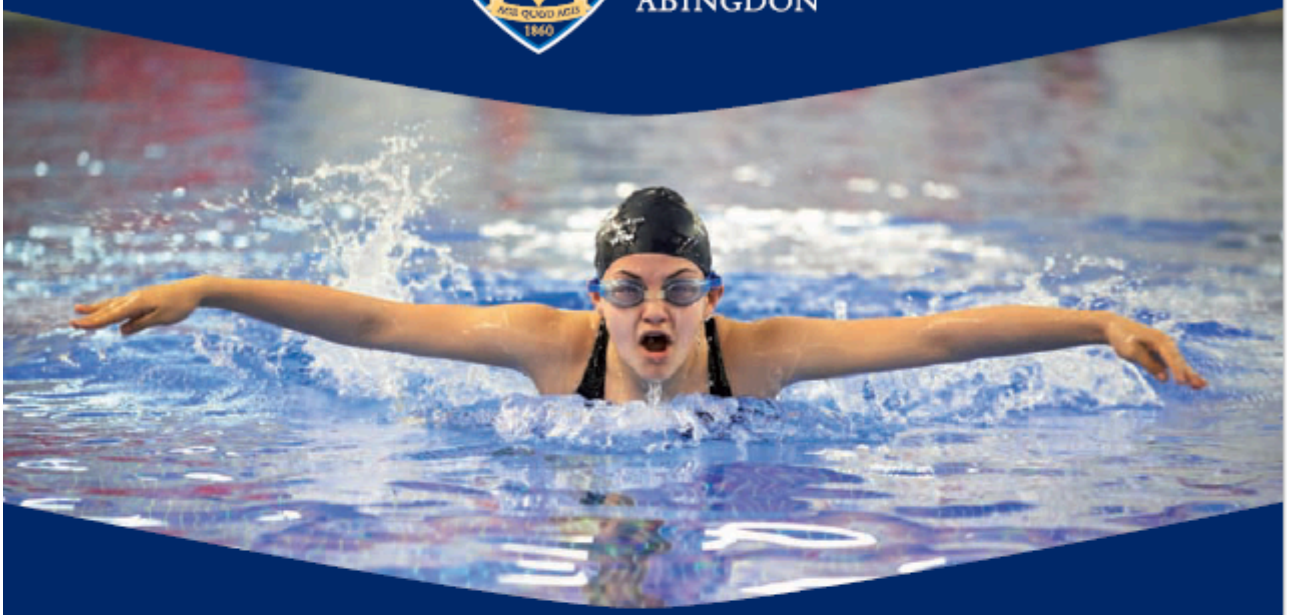

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