



Wootton St. Peters C of E Primary School

Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built.

Our Vision: **Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built. We explore the values of perseverance, compassion and courage to open up horizons of hope and aspiration.**

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SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 24.11.23

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday 28th Nov- Friday 1st Dec-YR5&6 Cycle training.

Thursday 7th December- Christmas circus KS1&KS2.

Friday 8th December- Christmas jumper day.

Friday 8th December- Christmas Fair 2.45pm.

Tuesday 12th December- KS1 Dress rehearsal.

Wednesday 13th December- Little Gems Carol Singing 2.30-3.00pm.

Thursday 14th December- KS1 Nativity to parents 9.30am.

Monday 18th December- Class Christmas Parties.

Tuesday 19th December- Carols by Candlelight 2pm-3pm.

Wednesday 20th December- Christmas Dinner day.

Wednesday 20th December- last day of term. **School finishes at 1.30pm. NO ASC.**

Monday 8th January- Staff Inset day (school closed)

Tuesday 9th January- School starts 8.30am.

Parents/carers-

Thank you so much for attending the parent consultation meetings in such high numbers. I am very proud to lead a school with such strong parental support. I am sure that you were impressed with the quality of learning in your children's books and on display around the school and I know the teachers really enjoyed being able to spend time with you to talk about your child's learning. It's so important for you to know how your child is progressing and what you can do to help them with their learning at home. Please continue to read with your children every day and, in Key Stage 2 especially, help them learn their times tables. I have challenged Moonstone class to learn all their times table facts up to 12 X 12 by Christmas so please keep encouraging them to use Sum Dog at home.

School Dinner Tasting

Thank you to our fabulous cook Tracy and Nick from the OCC catering team for providing the delicious food for you to taste on Tuesday and Thursday. Many of you

commented on how delicious the food was and we also persuaded many children to try something different than a jacket potato for their school dinners. School dinners cost only £2.35 each and as you found out are lovely!

Christmas Crackers

We are having our whole School Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 20th December and in the past you have been very generous with your donations of Christmas Crackers. Please could you donate crackers again so we can give all our children the full Christmas Dinner experience? Also please can you let the school office know if your child will NOT be having a school Christmas lunch, as Tracy will need the numbers for her ordering. Many thanks.

Christmas Jumper Day

We are taking part in Christmas Jumper day on Friday 8th December. Buy, borrow or make and bling up your own Christmas jumper and wear them to school to raise money for "Save the Children". We advise a £1.00 donation, but please don't feel obliged. Please can all children wear school uniform on the bottom and their white polo shirts under their Christmas jumpers please.

Applications for Reception

You have been able to apply for place in Reception since the 1st November, the deadline is 15th January 2024. **If your child is in Nursery you still have to apply for a place in the Reception class.** To apply for a school place follow the link below:

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/apply-school-place/reception-applications/make-application>

Pupil Premium

You may be eligible for Pupil

Premium <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/schools/school/pupil-premium-funding>. If you think you may be please come to the office and we can apply for you on your behalf.

If your child is in Nursery they might qualify for the Early Years Pupil Premium. Please read the attached flyer for more information

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/early-years-childcare/EarlyYearsPupilPremiumFlyer.pdf>

School drop off and Pick up

Please do not park in front of the school. Please use the church car park and then walk the short distance to school. This makes crossing the road much safer for the children and ensures it is easy for our neighbours to enter and exit their houses. Please avoid using the disabled car space outside of school unless you are a blue badge holder, we do have members of the school community who are blue badge holders and need to use that space.

Volunteers needed

Would you or someone you know like to volunteer in school. Listening to children read is a really rewarding experience. We do have some volunteers but would love more. If you think you would be able to help or know someone who does please contact the school office.

Safeguarding information

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Charles Pitt (Headteacher), and the Deputy Designated Safeguarding leads are Ms Carina Phillips (Acting Deputy Head and class teacher) and Mrs Lina Shehan (SENCO). Should you have any concerns about the welfare of any children at school please report it to us. If an immediate response from Children's Social Care is necessary, **call the Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) 0345 050 7666**. If you have an urgent concern for a child call 999 or 101.

Best wishes,
Charlie Pitt

School Attendance

Here is a link from Professor Chris Whitty and other medical leaders to all Headteachers which highlights the importance of high attendance which is definitely worth a read:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/letter-to-school-leaders-on-mild-illness-and-school-attendance/letter-to-school-leaders-on-mild-illness-and-school-attendance>

We are not able to authorise holidays during term time. The formal letter from the Local Authority will be shared with you once it has been shared by the Council.

School attendance-

Little Gems- 94.74%

Opal- 98.00%

Jade- 96.00%

Moonstone- 99.23%

From ASC

ASC are in need of clean jam/honey jars to use for their arts and craft activities. Also if you have any unused small/tea light candles we could use, we would really appreciate it. Any donations to be dropped at the school office. Thank you 😊

The School Shield



Little Gems – Jackson for his great concentration during Phonics and for his good handwriting. Great job Jackson 😊

Opal – Phillip for being such a lovely member of the class, always following the High Five Promise and for all the great work he has done this week. Well done Phillip 😊

Jade – Tilly for working really hard this week, working really well in a group and for listening well. Good work Tilly 😊

Moonstone – Sofia for her excellent progress in Maths and English. Great Job Sofia 😊

This Week's ask me about??

Little Gems – Nocturnal Animals.

Opal – Our Printing we did.

Jade – Magnets.

Moonstone- Refraction.



Math's Master

Little Gems – Olivia for having a good go at writing her numbers 😊

Opal – Gracie for adding 10 to a number two digit number.

Jade – Nathan for challenging himself and his brilliant explanations.

Moonstone – Alfie for working really hard on Sum Dog.

Well done to all our wonderful mathematicians this week



Fows update



CHRISTMAS FAYRE – Friday 8th December 2.30-4.30pm

With only 2 weeks to go until Christmas Fayre we are still in need of donations!

Next week will be the final week for rainbow hamper donations. Please, if you have a donation can you leave it in the boxes in the school office by Friday 1st December.

Rainbow Hampers

Here are the assigned colours for each class to collect:

· Little Gems – Red

· Opal – Yellow

· Jade – Blue

· Moonstone – Green

We welcome donations of non-perishable food, drink, toiletries, gift items for children, stationery etc.

Water or Wine Stall

We are still looking for donations of wine for this stall, please leave them at the school office by Friday 1st December.

Second-hand Uniform

If you also have any outgrown school uniform, you would like to donate to our second hand stall please leave then bagged up and marked for FOWS in the school foyer. Please ensure they are in a clean and wearable condition.

Christmas Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets will be available to purchase on:

- Monday, 4pm in front of school office
- Tuesday, 3pm in the school playground
- Wednesday, 4pm in front of school office
- Thursday, 3pm in the school playground
- Friday, 3pm in the school playground

Please see Angela Goswell.

Tickets are £1 each or a strip of 5 for £5

We have lots of great prizes already donated and a list is available on the FOWS Facebook page. The prize draw will take place at the Christmas Fayre on Friday 8th December. Please see poster attached.

FOWS team.