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Principal's News

Dear Parents/Carers

Every week is now jam packed full of fun and excitement as we near the end of the school year!



Last week Year 6 enjoyed their residential, despite all that the British weather could throw at them. They got to do quad biking, climbing, zip wire and many other activities. They were very well behaved and represented the school brilliantly. Well done Year 6 and thank you to all the staff who accompanied them.



Year 2 enjoyed their sleepover in the hall last Thursday. They played games and made s'mores (chocolate digestive biscuit with a melted marshmallow - yummy!) on the campfire. The teachers were prepared for a late night but the Year 2s got themselves settled and were all asleep fairly early... unfortunately for the teachers they were also up early! Well done to all the children and, again, thank you to the staff for making it possible.

We were all celebrating in the hall on Thursday, except for Mr Sherington, as we watched England's narrow victory over Wales in Euro 2016. It was a very exciting finish and there were wild celebrations in the hall. Mr Sherington did have the last laugh as he kindly left me the final group table (topped by Wales) on my desk on Tuesday morning!



We had a brilliant Race for Life on Tuesday. The children, with some staff and parents, put in a huge effort to run as many laps as possible. Well done to all those who took part and thank you to Mrs Prew and her team of helpers for organising and running a great event.

At the time of writing, organisation is going into overdrive for our 90th Birthday Bash for the Queen. More news to follow next week.

Finally, we would like to offer huge congratulations to Mrs Flower who has secured a Maths Co-ordinator role at Horton Primary School. Obviously we will be very sad to be losing an outstanding teacher and colleague, but we are very proud of her progress since joining Harriers as an NQT and we wish her luck in her future career.

Kind regards
Alex Pearson, Principal



Race for Life

Harriers Banbury Academy's Race for Life event for Cancer Research UK took place on 21st June. Our school's target is to raise £1,500. We have set up a Just Giving page where you can donate online. Find it here:

JustGiving™

[Harriers Banbury Academy Race for Life](#)

Talent Show Finalists



These are our very talented performers that have reached the dizzying heights of the Talent Show Final. We had some brilliant acts and it was very hard to choose the children that should go forward. Good luck to all for the final.

Purple Crocus Art



Some of the children took part in The Rotary Club of Banbury's Purple Crocus Art competition. Domie won the Year 4 category and received an art set as his prize. Shannon and Jacob were commended for their artwork. All monies raised from the competition go towards fighting the eradication of polio.



Learners of the Week



Congratulations to our Learners of the Week for week beginning 13th June.

Smartest Uniform

A very well dressed class! **5GC** win the award for the smartest uniform (right).



Tidiest Classroom and Cloakroom

Class **5JR** won the award this week (left). A great effort.



Attendance and Punctuality Awards

Great attendance AND super time keeping from class **3RG** who won both awards. Very well done to all of 3RG.

Mr Connor's Charity Run

Mr Connor is doing a 10K run in memory of his dad to raise funds for the Brain Research Trust. Please visit his fundraising page if you would like to support this worthy cause:

[Mr Connor's fundraising page](#)

Reading Challenge



These are our super readers who have all completed their next reading challenge – a great effort!

Swimming Achievement Awards



Well done to our swimmers for gaining their swimming achievement certificates.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Please bring into reception any Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers that you wish to donate to the school. Many thanks.

Anyone for Tennis?

Banbury Tennis Club are holding Tennis Camps during the summer holidays with half and full day options. See the [application form](#) for full details and special offers.



Don't forget to visit our new [Facebook](#) page for the latest news and events

Quadkids Festival



Well done to Nathanael (3rd), Edward (2nd) and Kai (1st) for their individual success in the Quadkids Athletics Festival at Banbury Academy.



Our triumphant Y3-4 team who won their year group at the event.



All of our pupils who competed at the festival received a certificate of congratulations from NOSSP School Games.

PTFA Diary Dates

Friday 8 July: Phil The Bag

Thursday 14 July: End of Term Disco

E-Safety Tip of the Week



Top Tips to share with KS1 children from [ThinkUKnow!](#)

Always ask a grown up before you use the internet. They can help you find the best thing to do.

Don't tell strangers where you live, your phone number or where you go to school. Only your friends and family need to know that.

Don't send pictures to people you don't know. You don't want strangers looking at photos of you, your friends or your family.

Tell a grown up if you feel scared or unhappy about anything.

You can also call '[Childline](#)' on: **08001111** to talk to someone who can help.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7 June – Wednesday 20 July: Term 6

Thursday 23 June: Polling Day. The school will be open as normal on this day.

Monday 27 June: INSET Day (no children in school).

Tuesday 28 June: Sports Day.

Wednesday 29 June: Year 2 trip to Pizza Express.

Monday 4 and Tuesday 5 July: Year 6 Transition days at Banbury Academy.

Monday 4 July - Thursday 7 July: Year 6 four day experience at BGN.

Wednesday 6 and Thursday 7 July: New to NOA days.

Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 July: Year 6 Induction days at Warriner.

Please note that the above dates for Year 6 transitions are for guidance only – please refer to the information you will have received from the school your child is joining in September.

Oxford Odeon Cinema offer

Odeon Oxford, for one weekend only, will be letting **1 parent in for free** with a full paying child for one of the Odeon Kids Club showings on the weekend of 16th-17th July.

This offer will only be valid for two films: Disney's remake of **The Jungle Book** at 10:00am or Disney's most recent animated classic **Zootropolis** at 10:30am.

Tickets are £2.50 for children so a family of four can come watch one of these amazing films for £5.

To claim this offer just go into the Odeon in Oxford on George Street. Book early to avoid disappointment!