



# Harriers Banbury Academy Newsletter

an Aspirations Academy

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## Principal's News

### Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to our latest newsletter. It is lovely to write this after a sunny bank holiday and it is starting to feel like summer is here after a long winter. It is my favourite time of year in school as we can let the children use the field and we can fully utilise our outdoor learning spaces, especially forest school (although Mr Sherington has taught us that there is never the wrong weather for forest school, just the wrong clothing). This year it is even more exciting as we now have our library bus decking area and our reading amphitheatre (earth semi-circle!), which some classes have already made full use of.



We would like to say a huge thank you to our PTFA who have made a second donation of

£5000, which has helped us pay for the library bus. They have also donated £500 towards the Year 6 end of year trip, a kind donation they make every year for our leavers. In turn, we would like to thank all of you who have supported the PTFA events and helped them raise so much money for the school.

As the sun is out can we please remind you to

send all children into school with a hat and a water bottle. Please also apply suncream on the morning of particularly sunny days and children can bring this to school if they are able to apply it themselves.

On our Facebook page and below is a link about the popular computer game Fortnite. As a child of the Nintendo/SNES generation, and a secret Football Manager addict, I am the last person to admonish computer games, however the article gives good advice on how to manage your child's computer game playing and how to keep them safe online. We do have concerns when we hear about the amount of time some children spend on games and firmly believe there should be a balance between screen time and other activities (e.g. exercise/sport, social games/board games, building/puzzles, reading etc). [Parentzone Fortnite](#)

Next week is SATs week for Year 6. The children and the staff have worked incredibly hard this year and we hope they get the results that they deserve. Remember to get plenty of sleep (good advice for all pupils) and remember to come in early for your Year 6 breakfast club.



Have a great week.

Kind regards,  
**Alex Pearson**, Executive Principal



## Hard at work at Holdenby House



Last week Year 4 visited Holdenby House. The children had a wonderful time experiencing what life was like for a servant in a large household. They had to work hard! We are so proud of Year 4. They fully immersed themselves within the role play and behaved impeccably!



## Thanks to The Artery



Many thanks to The Artery art shop for their kind donation of colouring books for our afterschool club. The children will love developing their art skills.

## Do you shop at the Co-op?



*Money raised will go towards our outdoor play areas.*

If you shop at a Co-op store you can support us as your local community cause.

Follow this link to find out how:

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/13735/>

## Health Nurse Team Newsletter

The OCC School Health Nurse aims to provide families and young people with some useful tips for keeping healthy. Childhood is an important time to instil healthy habits and learn crucial life skills. Establishing these habits early on will help to improve your child's quality of life in the future and enable them to reach their full potential.

[Read the Primary School Health Nurse Team Newsletter for Term 5 here.](#)

## “Here Comes the Summer!”

Our PTFA “Here Comes the Summer” family fete is on **Friday 6th July**.

As part of these celebrations, we are holding a non-uniform day, when children can bring a voluntary contribution in the form of a bottle (wine, water, bath gel, even ketchup) for use in the bottle tombola and raffle at the fete. This **non-uniform day will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May**

to coincide with the royal wedding.

Children may come as princes and princesses, sporting a tiara, or in red, white and blue.



Thank you so much for your support. It is, as always, greatly appreciated.

## Please **NAME, NAME, NAME**

Please can we remind you to name **EVERYTHING** your child brings to school including their PE kit, ties and outdoor coats. We can quickly reunite your child with their lost property if it has been named.

## Year 6 SATs

We hope you found the recent SATs presentation to parents informative. Here are the key dates:

### Monday 14th May 2018

English grammar, punctuation and spelling  
Paper 1: questions (45 mins)  
English grammar, punctuation and spelling  
Paper 2: spelling (20 mins)

### Tuesday 15th May 2018

English reading (60 mins)

### Wednesday 16th May 2018

Mathematics Paper 1: arithmetic (30 mins)  
Mathematics Paper 2: reasoning (40 mins)

### Thursday 17th May 2018

Mathematics paper 3: reasoning (40 mins)



## NASA Trip Fundraising Bingo Night



17th of May | 6:30

At Space Studio  
Book of six: £3.00  
Single sheet: 50p

## Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal

Help the UK Air Ambulance by recycling your used postage stamps. Please save your stamps and bring into reception; we will send them to the appeal.

### Help UK Air Ambulance Services by recycling your Used Postage Stamps!!!



The UK's Air Ambulance Services are charities which receive no government funding and rely entirely on charitable donations to continue flying and responding to life threatening medical emergencies.

We are now volunteering our time to help raise funds through the recycling of postage stamps.

All funds raised will be donated to the Association of Air Ambulances to be distributed equally to all UK Air Ambulance Services



Whether they're British or overseas, new or used, send them to us and we'll turn them into funds to keep the UK Air Ambulance Services responding to life threatening medical emergencies.

All you need to do is cut or carefully tear the stamped corner from any envelope or packet that you receive in the post and start a collection.



Another great way to see what we are doing at Harriers is to follow our [Facebook](#) page.

## Dates for your Diary

**Thursday 10 May:** Year 3 Oxford Botanic Gardens and Pitt Rivers Museum, Oxford.

**Friday 18 May:** Non Uniform Day.

**Thursday 24 May:** Year 6 Aladdin and Pineapple Studios, London.

**Friday 25 May:** Last day of Term 5.

**Monday 28 May – Friday 1 June:** Holiday.

**Monday 4 June:** INSET day (no children in school).

**Monday 11 June – Friday 15 June:** Attendance Week.

*Advance Notice*

**Wednesday 25 July:** Last day of Term 6 – school closes at 1:30pm.



## Calling All Year 4/5s!

Bloxham FC, under 10s, are looking to expand their squad, in preparation for the move to 9-a-side matches next season. If you're interested in developing your football skills in a fun, friendly environment, come and join us!

### Contact Us:

Richard Holmes:  
reholmes27@gmail.com

Anthony Fowler:  
anthony@exclusivevalet.co.uk

### Join Us

Location: Jubilee Park, Bloxham

Day: Tuesday

Time: 6.00 - 7.00

### Having a sort out?

The PTFA have arranged a collection for ecokids who will pay the school for our donations.

Please see below the clean items that are suitable and the ones that they do not take. Donations can be delivered to the school from Monday 21st May until Wednesday 23rd May.



**FUNDRAISING HAS NEVER BEEN SO FAST, FUN AND HASSLE-FREE!**

ecokids WILL PAY US UP TO

# £500

FOR EVERY TONNE OF UNWANTED GOOD QUALITY CLOTHING!

THE MORE BAGS YOU BRING, THE MORE MONEY WE RAISE!

PLEASE FILL THE ecokids BAGS AND/OR WHITE BIN BAGS WITH:

YES, WE TAKE:	SORRY, WE CANT TAKE:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ GOOD QUALITY, DRY, CLEAN CLOTHING</li> <li>✓ PAIRED, CLEAN, UNDAMAGED SHOES</li> <li>✓ HANDBAGS &amp; ACCESSORIES</li> <li>✓ COSTUME JEWELLERY</li> <li>✓ TOYS IN NEW &amp; WORKING CONDITION</li> <li>✓ COSMETICS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✗ POOR QUALITY, DAMAGED, WET, STAINED, MOULDY OR RIPPED CLOTHING</li> <li>✗ ALL TYPES OF UNDERWEAR, SOCKS &amp; TIGHTS</li> <li>✗ VINTAGE/OUTDATED CLOTHING</li> <li>✗ LONG TERM STORED ITEMS</li> <li>✗ NIGHTWEAR &amp; SCHOOL UNIFORMS</li> <li>✗ BED LINEN &amp; TOWELS</li> <li>✗ QUILTS, DUVETS, PILLOWS &amp; CURTAINS</li> <li>✗ CARPETS, MATS &amp; RUGS</li> <li>✗ BRIC-A-BRAC</li> <li>✗ FURNITURE</li> <li>✗ BOOKS, TEXTBOOKS &amp; MAGAZINES</li> <li>✗ CD'S, DVD'S, AUDIO &amp; VIDEO</li> <li>✗ TAPES</li> <li>✗ ALL ELECTRICAL ITEMS</li> </ul>

For more information please visit [www.ecokidsproject.co.uk](http://www.ecokidsproject.co.uk) or call 0330 9994560

COLLECTION DAY: **WED 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY**

COLLECTION TIME: **BEFORE 10 am**

