



Dear Parents,

Thank you to all the parents that joined us for our May Day Celebrations. It was lovely to have so many people join us; families, members of the community and more. The children did a fantastic job throughout, really showing how special this event is for us all. I found it hard to pick children from my headteacher award this week so I have given it to all the school with special mentions to a few children that I know showed great resilience.

An extra special thank you to all those that helped out, from the garland making to the music in church, joining in with the dancing and helping with cones and traffic. The list is extensive, and all the help is greatly appreciated. We will be collecting the crosses from church today so please come and collect yours from the front playground.

Also this week our Year 5&6 girls football team played their last match in the Bicester Schools League. It was a great match to end on and the girls all showed how much they have improved from our first match in November. We are now waiting to see if we are through to the quarter finals.

Finally, I wanted to let you know that I will be away from school for the next 2 to 4 weeks as I recover from a planned medical procedure.

During this time, Mrs Wells will be in school every day, overseeing the day-to-day running of the school. Thank you for your understanding and support. I'm looking forward to returning as soon as I'm able to.

Wishing you all an enjoyable Bank Holiday Weekend,

Regards,

Nadia Gosling

### **Headteacher Award**

**All the school for their resilience on  
May Day**

**Well Done!**

### **Special Mentions-**

<b>Kai</b>	<b>Minne</b>	<b>Finn</b>	<b>Daisy</b>	<b>Lily</b>
<b>Lilly</b>	<b>Estelle</b>	<b>Niamh</b>		
<b>Florence</b>	<b>Oliver</b>	<b>Lacey</b>		



### **Kindness Awards**

**Emi**  
**Finn**  
**Kyle**  
**Maison**  
**Miss Buckley**



**Well Done!**

## Our Stars of the Week

All Reception  
children

Martha

Freddie

Beatrice

Felicity

Luna

Edie

Mackenzie

## Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is Year 1&2  
with:

**99% attendance**

**Whole school attendance  
95%**

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into  
school at 08:45. It makes such a difference!

## Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.45am  
8:30am—8:45am

Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.45am

CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm or  
3.15pm-5.30pm.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast  
Club, Drop & Play or CAST, please book a place  
using the Arbor app.

All clubs are open to Reception through to Year  
6 children only. If you could please try to get  
your clubs booked by **Midday**

**Friday** for the week ahead, so that snacks can  
be arranged. As our numbers are  
increasing, we may not be able to accept last  
minute bookings due to the adult  
ratio's required. Bookings made after 12pm on  
Friday will incur a £2 late booking fee per  
session booked.

Please also be mindful of pick up times, if you  
are late picking up your child you will be  
charged for the later session.

## Diary dates

- **16th May—Ian Taylor Photography Class Photos**
- **22nd May—Ian Taylor Photography FSU Portraits**
- **22nd May—Rags2Riches Collection**
- **6th June—Art Week Exhibition 3pm-4pm**
- **18th-20th June— Yr5/6 Residential Trip to Youlbury**
- **27th June—Sports Day + Family Picnic**
- **1st July—Yr3/4 Trip to Chedworth Manor**
- **2nd July—Reception and Yr1/2 Trip to Science Oxford**
- **7th July—Move Up Morning**
- **11th—School Production Dress Rehearsal 9.30am**
- **14th + 15th July—School Production 6pm**

For future dates:

<https://charlton-on-otmoor.sch.life/Page/Calendar>



## PTA

Thank you to everyone who kindly  
donated cakes for us to sell as  
refreshment at the May Day  
celebrations. We were overwhelmed by  
the amount of cakes donated and was  
able to hold a cake sale after school as  
well.

In total we raised an amazing  
**£246!**

As always, we appreciate your support  
raising money for our school



## FSU

Much of our week has involved getting ready for May Day yesterday. Making hats, practising our dance and learning about the traditions of May Day in our community and around the world. Scarves, ribbons and a homemade 'May Pole' in our outdoor area led to a lot of creative play. We were really proud of how well the children walked to and from the church and for all those involved in dancing, for remembering what to do when!



## Year 1 & 2

We just about survived the heat this week and had a wonderful May Day yesterday. The children have used atlases to complete a quiz about the world's oceans. They have also conducted an experiment in science to try and either melt ice the slowest or fastest. They worked in groups and predicted what would happen first before completing their investigation.

## Year 3 & 4

It has been a fantastic, sunny week and we are so proud of how the children in Year 3/4 approached the pressures of May Day. They all behaved and performed beautifully and deserve their long weekend to recover!



## Year 5 & 6

We have really enjoyed our May Day dancing this week. It was such a beautiful day and the children did an amazing job of all the dancing. As well as this, we have been finishing of our Maya masks. These would have been worn by the ancient Maya in battles, at celebrations or at festivities. They are really coming together.



## Safeguarding

Please contact Mrs Gosling or Mrs Clarke should you have any safeguarding concerns.





# MAY DAY





