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*This month we will be looking at the following values:*

- Thankfulness
- Going for goals
- Self-belief

*We will be discussing these values in classrooms and in collective worships.*

*We are also looking at our **Golden Rules**:*

- Be friendly, respectful and kind
  - Be responsible
- Be the best you can be

Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Dear Parents,

The Cold has finally arrived and the snow too although we had a lucky escape as it didn't settle too much. All the children are hard at work and the school is a hive of activity!

### **Open Day**

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Open Day this morning, the children were very eager to show you what they had done this term.

### **Attendance**

Last week the entire school attendance was a very impressive 99.29%, and 97.86% this week, keep up the good work!

### **Yr 5/6 Brass Lesson**

Y5/6 brass lesson will not go ahead on Monday afternoon due to the Yr5/6 class taking part in workshops run by Hazard Alley. Private brass lessons will still go ahead as normal.

### **Disable Parking Space**

A gentle reminder to parents that the disable bay is reserved to parents with a blue badge only, thank you for your cooperation.

### **Facebook**

The PTA very kindly set up a closed Facebook page to help advertise events that are happening in school. Recently, it has been noticed that the page has become a forum to complain about the school. This was not the original intention. The home-school agreement states that social networking sites (e.g. Facebook, Twitter) should not be used to distribute untruthful or malicious information or comments about The School, pupils, parents or staff. Unfortunately, if this continues, the page will have to be removed.

### **Breakfast Club and Drop & Play Bookings**

We are very pleased to say that there has been an increase in the number of children attending both Breakfast Club and Drop & Play sessions this year. To help the staff with shopping and preparation, we would be grateful if parents could book their children in via ParentPay by Friday morning of the week before, to give us an idea of the numbers of children who will be attending the following week.

We have experienced some problems with the online booking system in the past, especially for those parents paying by childcare vouchers, but hopefully these have now been resolved.

We would never turn away children who are not booked in and understand that it is not always possible for parents to book in advance, but your co-operation would be much appreciated to help the smooth running of this provision. Thank you.

### **Breakfast Club Theme**

Next week, breakfast club are having a **BAGEL** and **CRUMPET** theme breakfast. This is alongside the usual toast, cereals, yoghurts and fruits that are available daily. We hope the children will enjoy it!

### **New gates**

We are in the process of updating all the school gates and Mr Lambert has already installed one in front of the FSU. The others will be fitted in the next few weeks.

### **Easter**

There will be a Church Service on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April at 2.00 pm at St Mary's followed by the PTA Easter Egg hunt. Everyone is welcome!!

### **Share Assembly**

Please don't forget the Yr1/2 Share & Celebration Assembly on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30 pm. Everyone is welcome

### **PTA**

#### **Upcoming Events - Save the Dates**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February** - Winter Disco 5.30pm to 7pm – look out for booking forms next week

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March** – Rags to Riches collection

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** – Family Bingo evening from 5.30pm

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April**– Easter Event after the church service

Thank you to all those who donated "unwanted Christmas presents" to the PTA for use in future raffles and prizes, you can still donate any unwanted gifts just bring them into the office for the PTA to collect.

#### **Easy Fund Raising**

Don't forget if you're internet shopping or even booking a holiday on line have a look at doing it through the Easy Fund-Raising site as money will be donated to the school from 0.5% to 6% of your spend. It's easy to do and won't cost you a penny, let friends and family know about it as well. See the link below.

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/charltononotmoor/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/charltononotmoor/)

The PTA really appreciate all the support we receive, with money raised enhancing the children's education. If you are unable to come to an event but would like to donate to the PTA, please do this through the office, cheques made payable to Charlton-on-Otmoor School Association.

If you have ideas or suggestions for raising money or would like to join the PTA committee please let us know via the playground, office, email [charltonschoolassociation@gmail.com](mailto:charltonschoolassociation@gmail.com) or Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/149362305695629/>



## Trophies

Trophies have been awarded to the following children for their hard work and effort:

*Week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019*

<i>Be friendly, respectful and kind</i>	<i>Ella (FSU) for always being kind to her friends and wanting to help</i>
<i>Be responsible</i>	<i>Beatrice (Yr 1/2) for being really mature and looking after Emilia</i>
<i>Be the best you can be</i>	<i>Bethany (Yr 5/6) for trying her best with her writing and grammar work</i>



## Stars of the Week



<b>FSU</b>	<b>Jamie for super counting in Maths</b>
<b>Year 1/2</b>	<b>Jacob for working hard on his writing and producing brilliant work</b>
<b>Year 3/4</b>	<b>Noah for his fantastic effort this week with his learning and showing great compassion towards others</b>
<b>Year 5/6</b>	<b>Sean, Edward, Rhys, Edwin for giving up their own time to help</b>



Jamie had already gone home so unfortunately she is not in the photograph.



### IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Friday, 8th February 2.30pm</b>	Yr 1/2 sharing assembly and celebration assembly
<b>Tuesday, 12th February</b>	Yr 5/6 trip to Woodstock Museum
<b>Friday, 15th February 3.15pm</b>	End of term
<b>HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b>	
<b>Monday, 25th February</b>	Term begins
<b>Friday, 1st March</b>	Secondary offers to be sent to parents for September 2019
<b>Tuesday, 12th March</b>	Reception and Year 6 weights and heights with school nurses
<b>Friday, 15th March</b>	Red Nose Day
<b>Tuesday, 19th March 6-8pm</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Wednesday, 20th March 3.30-5.30pm</b>	Parents' Evening
<b>Friday, 22nd March</b>	FSU Sharing Assembly and Celebration Assembly 2.30pm
<b>Friday, 29th March</b>	Mothers' Day service at church at 11 am <b>followed</b> by lunch at school
<b>Thursday, 4th April</b>	<b>End of term</b>
<b>Friday, 5th April</b>	<b>Inset Day</b>
<b>Week beginning Tuesday, 7th May</b>	Year 2 SATs
<b>Week beginning Monday, 14th May</b>	Year 6 SATs
<b>Monday, 3rd June</b>	Inset Day
<b>Wednesday, 5th June</b>	Yr 5/6 trip to Cadbury World
<b>Week beginning Monday, 10th June</b>	Yr 1 phonic screening

<u>Gardening Sessions</u>	
<b>Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Yr 5/6
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Yr 3/4
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Yr 1/2
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	HALF-TERM
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	Yr 5/6
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Yr 1/2
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Yr 3/4
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Yr 5/6
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Yr 1/2
<b>Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	Yr 3/4

#### Events outside school:

Good afternoon,

I am delighted to inform you that at City of Oxford College, we offer a 5 week, Creative Junior Saturday Art course for 8-12-year olds.

Our art studios and facilities are second to none and will provide an inspiring and creative environment for each young person to explore all sorts of creative disciplines, including photography (darkroom and digital), graphic design, animation, printmaking, textiles, fashion, ceramics, 3D, painting and drawing.

The course takes place on Saturday mornings from 10am-12pm and parents are very welcome to attend with their child at no extra cost. Full course information and how to enrol can be found using the below link.  
<https://www.activatelearning.ac.uk/courses/art-design/junior-saturday-art-club-for-9-12-year-olds>

Kind regards,  
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**February half term hubs are here...**  
 see over for details

Activities kick off on **18 Feb 2019**

Your essential guide to February half term holiday activities for 5 - 15 year olds.

Book online from 30 January at:  
[www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities)  
[www.southnorthants.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://www.southnorthants.gov.uk/holidayactivities)

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**Half term hubs** Our hubs give children aged 5-15 a unique opportunity to participate in a wide range of sporting activities delivered by qualified and DBS (formerly CRB) cleared coaches. In addition to fun and games, arts and crafts sessions will also be available. Our holiday activities will operate at North Oxfordshire Academy, Cooper School Sports Facility and Magdalen College School.

Session structure and price **Costs just over £2.40 per hour**  
 8.45am - 3pm £15.30 per session, 8.45am - 5pm £19.40 per session

North Oxfordshire Academy, Banbury Book online at [www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities)

Week 1	Mon 18 February	Tue 19 February	Wed 20 February	Thu 21 February	Fri 22 February
Sports:	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡

Cooper School Sports Facility, Bicester Book online at [www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities](http://www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities)

Week 1	Mon 18 February	Tue 19 February	Wed 20 February	Thu 21 February	Fri 22 February
Sports:	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡

Magdalen College School, Brackley Book online at [www.southnorthants.gov.uk/holiday-activities](http://www.southnorthants.gov.uk/holiday-activities)

Week 1	Mon 18 February	Tue 19 February	Wed 20 February	Thu 21 February	Fri 22 February
Sports:	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡	⚽ ⚾ ⚡

**Key:** ⚡ Art and Crafts ⚽ Athletics ⚾ Dance ⚽ Fun and Games ⚽ Multi Sports ⚽ Tennis ⚽ Trampolining  
 ⚽ Multi Sports will include tag rugby, football, kwik cricket, hockey, basketball, dance and more – delivered by activity staff

Sessions are split into two age groups 5 to 7 and 8 to 15.  
 Lunch breaks are supervised. Bring your own lunch. Please note we do not accept any form of childcare vouchers.  
 Hubs will only be given if sessions are cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. All information is correct at the time of print and is subject to change without prior notice.

For 5-15yr olds





Cressida Cowell has been a children's author and illustrator for 20 years and is best-known for her award-winning *How to Train Your Dragon* series, *The Wizards of Once* series and the *Emily Brown* picture books.



Cressida has been an ambassador for the National Literacy Trust for over a decade and is supporting the Read On, Get On, campaign to get all children reading well by the time they leave primary school.

## Cressida Cowell's top tips for parents

### Help your child discover the magic of reading

- Ask for recommendations.** Ask your child's teacher, your local librarian or bookseller for recommendations of books that will get your child excited about reading.
- Read aloud with your kids way beyond the age they can read for themselves.** Books read to you in your parents' voice live with you for your entire life. Reading together sends an important message to your child: books are important and are powerful, magical things that can make your dad cry or your mum laugh.
- Make sure your kids see you reading.** You are a reading role model for your child! Often parents read in the evening when the kids are in bed, which means they never really see their parents with a book. Show your kids that books are an important part of life.
- Comics, graphic novels and magazines all count.** So go with what your kids like.
- Don't force your child into finishing a book they don't like.** Follow your kids' interests – there really is a book for everyone. Go to your local library and let your child try out lots of different reading materials and genres.
- Make reading together achievable and enjoyable.** If it's stressful, no one is going to want to do it! Start off small, by reading together for just 10 minutes a day. Pick a time of day that works for you and your family. And it doesn't need to be 10 minutes all at once; little and often works just as well.

*Emily Brown and Father Christmas* by Cressida Cowell and Neal Layton and Cressida Cowell's *The Wizards of Once: Twice Magic* are both out now! Both published by Hachette Children's Group.



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