



The Week Ahead

During this time of Thanksgiving, what are you thankful for? Remember to count your blessings.

Monday:
KS1 Run Club 8:00
KS2 Run Club 3:15

Tuesday:
KS1 Multi-Skills

Wednesday:
KS2 Football
KS2 Basketball

Thursday:
Choir with Miss Zimmerman

Friday
No Clubs

“Give what you have. To someone, it may be better than you dare to think.”
~Anonymous~

Weekly Newsletter

Faith ♦ Service ♦ Integrity ♦ Responsibility ♦ Truth ♦ Excellence

24th November 2016

Christmas Reading Morning

Don't forget our reading morning next Wednesday, November 30th from 8:00 until 8:40 a.m. Please come and enjoy some refreshments and a good Christmas story with your children. A great idea, is to wrap enough Christmas stories to read up until Christmas Day and to have your children open one each day and then share it together. Let the 30th help kick this tradition off!

Advent

Thanks to one of our parents for an idea we have had for advent. During this season we focus on our value of Service – therefore, we are asking that just during the first week of December starting Monday the 5th, we are asking children to bring in an item for the Wallingford food bank each day of that week. So, in total, we are asking families if they could donate five cans or five items of food that can help local families during Christmas. Imagine if all 205 pupils brought in 5 items of food – how much we would be able to give! However, again, please remember this is voluntary and we only ask that you donate if you are able. Thank you.

School Email

The school email address is not accepting incoming messages. We are doing our best to resolve this.

Grandparent's Week

The survey for grandparent's week will close on Monday. Please fill in the following survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/P5P2HXG> All constructive feedback helps us to plan any future events.

Thank you.

Parent, Child Teacher Meetings

Our survey will close on Monday. Please fill in the following survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/6MXMPQ5>

Thank You!

#BePhenomenal

Please keep sharing photos and #BePhenomenal sheets of your children! We love sharing them!

Christmas Biscuits

As always, we would love to get our children to hand deliver a Christmas gift to the senior citizens (who are on our list) in our village. Therefore, if you are able to pick up an extra tin or box of Christmas biscuits or chocolates and are able to wrap them ready to deliver, we would very much appreciate it. Last year, the response of thanks was overwhelming, so they truly do appreciate it. It is lovely to let them know that we are thinking of them during this time of year. Please can all biscuits/chocolates be delivered by December the 12th. Thank you.

Governor E-mail

If you have any correspondence that you would like to share with the governing body, you may contact them on: 1gov5937@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk

French Club

A few places will be available for the Monday or Tuesday French Club which is run after school. For more information please contact the school office.

Strings Concert Tuesday 29 November

There will be a strings concert for parents of children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 who are learning to play the violin or cello at 2.30pm on Tuesday 29th November.

Church Services at St Mary Magdalene Crowmarsh of particular interest to families in November:

Sunday 27th November
11.00am All Age Communion

Vacancy for a Lollipop Person

There is a vacancy for a school crossing patrol officer to assist children and parents to cross the road at the end of Old Reading Road and The Street. The hours would be 45 mins before school and 45 mins after school (7.5 hours per week) and the rate of pay is £7.56 per hour. Full training, uniform and equipment would be given. If you know anyone who might be interested, please contact the school office for an application form.

PTA NEWS

Disco and Cake Sale

Thank you to all parents for supporting a busy week last week. The disco and

cake sale were both a fantastic success and the children had a great time!

PTA Funding Votes

Thank you to all parents who voted. Parents voted in favour of all three requests from the school, so the PTA will be providing the outdoor clothing to Class R, another Table Tennis Table for the KS2 playground, and we will be funding the Production Company coming into school in December to work with the children and produce their own play in a day. Fantastic news!

Christmas Fair Helpers

We are looking for parents and grandparents who are able to help man stalls at the Christmas Fair on 15th December, 17.30 – 19.30. If anyone has an hour to spare to help serve refreshments, or to help on the games and crafts stalls, please either email me, leanne.miller@outlook.com or send me a message on Facebook. Or you can add your name to the list on the PTA board in reception.

PTA Facebook Page

The school PTA Facebook page has been really successful. If you haven't already, please look us up 'Crowmarsh PTA' on Facebook and send a request to join the page.

Visit Santa at the Christmas Fair

To help make Santa's life a little easier and for you to plan your visit to the school Christmas Fair, there is a Santa's Grotto sign-up form attached. We will then allocate a time for the children to meet Santa and receive their gift and send you confirmation of this. A payment of £3 per child is needed to see Santa. Please pay this at the office when handing in your form. Thank you.