



Crowmarsh Gifford C.E. Primary School

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Week 3

Term 1

September 21st, 2017

Masekane School

On Monday we again welcomed Eve Evans, from the CHOKO charity based in Cholsey, who came and spoke about Masekane School and the upcoming visit in early October. For those who don't know, our school is linked with Masekane School, a school in South Africa. Two years ago we hosted the headteachers of both this school and another South African School. We are very excited to be hosting the headteachers again, along with 16 other teachers and

educators from their school partnership in South Africa. They are coming here to undertake research into different teaching styles and approaches we have here in the UK. Our children will be learning more about our link school and benefit from having some lessons taught by the teachers while they are here! Please help us welcome them when they arrive.

Parent and Child Internet Safety Session

Once again our Internet Safety Sessions will begin on Tuesday the 7th of November. Matt Lovegrove, Google Certified Teacher and CEOP trainer, will offer another thought-provoking session on keeping your family safe online. This is open to all parents and children from year 4 upwards. If you have not yet been, we cannot stress how important these sessions are. The session will begin at 6:00 in our school hall. Please note this date in your diaries and hope to see you there.

Coffee Morning

Don't forget our coffee morning will be held on Wednesday 4th October at 8.45. Come and meet our parents and have a chat about how the first few weeks of school have been going. We hope you are able to make it and look forward to seeing you there.

Family Fun Session!

Come to our family fun session with children's author and guitarist James Carter. On Monday November 13th, children will attend workshops and assemblies throughout the day, to help inspire their writing. Right after school in our year 5 classroom, we are inviting parents of children in year 2 upwards, to come and enjoy an afternoon of fun. We look forward to seeing you there!

Brass Lessons!

Don't forget that if you would like to learn more about brass instrument lessons in school, please visit brassinclass.com for more details.

Dates for the Diary

Please note the dates for the diary at the end of this newsletter. New dates will be added regularly.

Extra Curricular Clubs

There are spaces in KS1 Multi-skills Club on Tuesday and in Basketball Club for Years 3 – 6 on Thursday. Please let the school office know if your child is interested.

What prayer have you put on your stone for our reflection area?

The Week Ahead...

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**Monday : The Hobbit Play
Prayer Space Begins**

Tuesday: Multi-skills to 4:15

Wednesday: Football to 4:15

Thursday: Basketball to 4:15

Choir to 4:00

Friday: No Clubs

*IF YOU THINK YOU CAN OR
YOU THINK YOU CAN'T,
YOU'RE RIGHT.*

-HENRY FORD

Vacancy for Parent Governor

The school has a vacancy for a parent governor. Please see the attached letter and information sheet for details.

P.E.

Chiltern Edge and Gillots Family of Schools have joined together to offer some cross country races over the winter. The dates of the races are

Saturday 7th October
Saturday 4th November
Saturday 2nd December
Saturday 24th February.

The schools are asking for parent help on these dates between 9.00 and 10.30am to help with car parking and marshalling. Please let me know if you are able to help at any of the races. Many thanks.

Mrs Scott. PE Co-ordinator

School Meals



We are delighted to announce our new partnership with Kites Kitchen of Sonning Common Primary School, who will be overseeing our school meals. Please bear with us until half term with the menus as there may be slight changes however, when we return to school at the end of October, Kites Kitchen will have fully occupied our kitchen and everything will be up and running smoothly. More information to come shortly.

Attached is the revised menu for next week. The main change is that curry will be served on Thursday instead of Toad in the

Thanks to the PTA, we are excited to welcome Mrs Bun the Baker into school to teach cooking from Reception to Year 6 during curriculum time. She will be coming every big term to help children with their culinary skills. Look out for delicious samples coming your way!

Hole. There is no need to re-book but please contact the school office to advise of any changes to your order.

Playground

Just a reminder that every morning a member of staff will be in the playgrounds at 8:30.

Parents may leave their children after this time. If you remain in the playground until the children walk into their classrooms please may we remind you that children should be standing in their class groups and not playing on school equipment or running around.

May we also remind you that this is not an appropriate time to talk to the teacher, if there is a quick message you need to relay to class teachers, please write it down and pass it to the teacher at this point. As always, if you would like to have a meeting with the teacher, you are welcome to come into the office, or e-mail the office to make an appointment. Thank you for your understanding.

Your headteacher Mrs Barton and the team at Crowmarsh Gifford CE Primary School.

Community News

We are happy to include community items when space permits but readers should be aware that events and activities advertised have not been researched by the school.

Church Services at St Mary Magdalene, Crowmarsh, which may be of particular interest to families are:

Sunday 24th Sept at 11.00am
Family Communion
Sunday 1st October at 11.00am
Family Service.

Quiz'n'chips at St Mary Magdalene

Our autumn quiz'n'chips night will be Friday 13th October, doors (and bar) open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Entry forms are available from Crowmarsh Stores or from the Church, and should be returned by Sunday 8th October so we can get the food ordered. Contact Sarah Nesbitt with any queries at sjn62@icloud.com or on 07770 930756.

Crowmarsh Parish Neighbourhood Plan Exhibition.

Come to a public exhibition in Crowmarsh Gifford Village Hall on Saturday 23rd September from 10am till 4pm and at North Stoke Village Hall on Saturday 30th September at the same time. The Neighbourhood Plan is being created by the Parish Council and local resident with the help of SODC. Help to make a development plan for the parish for the next fifteen years.