



## The Week Ahead

### What was the key message that you took away from the Fix Up Team?

**Monday:**  
No Clubs

**Tuesday:**  
KS1 Multi-skills

**Wednesday:**  
KS2 Football  
KS2 Basketball

**Thursday:**  
Choir

**Friday:**  
No Clubs

**“No bird soars too high if he soars with his own wings.”**

**~William Blake~**

## Weekly Newsletter

*Faith ♦ Service ♦ Integrity ♦ Responsibility ♦ Truth ♦ Excellence*

**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

### Parent Consultations

For your diary. We will be holding our parent and child meetings during the week of April 3<sup>rd</sup>. More information will be coming shortly.

### Spring Evening of Musical Performance and Poetry

As part of our focus on ‘oracy’ in school, we will be hosting an evening of poetry and music on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March 2017 at 6:30 p.m. We will have to ticket the event to ensure we have enough seating for everyone. Tickets are now available from the school office. Children will be allowed to play a musical instrument individually or in groups and/or recite and perform a piece of poetry. Children may recite memorised poetry in groups, however, we will expect every child to perform a part of the poem individually. If children are interested in taking part, there will be auditions held in school the week of March 13<sup>th</sup>. Please complete the attached slip if your child is interested in taking part. Deadline for returning the slip is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March. The school choir will also be performing on this evening. We look forward to what should be a #phenomenal evening!

### A Baby Girl!

We congratulate Miss Wagner on the birth of her baby girl last week, Ivy Rae. We also welcome Mrs Bennett to the team, who will be working in Year 1 alongside Mrs Nixon.

### #BePhenomenal

Don’t forget that we still want to hear about all the times your children do something phenomenal! We have attached our template again! Share your stories with us!

### Easter Dates

We will be holding another Easter reading morning on Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> of March in the hall from 8:00. Please come and enjoy some refreshments and a story with your child before school. The following week on Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> of April, we will be holding our Easter crafting morning in the hall from 8:00. Come and enjoy making Easter crafts with your children and enjoy a small bite to eat while you do. Hope to see many of you there!

### #YesUCan

We are delighted to have been chosen as one of ten schools to become a Champion #YesUCan school and ambassador of the growth mindset and ‘can do’ attitude towards mathematics. As you know, Purple Learning, is key to all learning that takes place in school, therefore being chosen to be a Glow Maths #YesUCan school is an honour. We will keep you updated!

### **Reception Class Meeting**

Miss Zimmerman will be holding a writing meeting for parents at 5.30pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March. All welcome.

### **Stamp Design Competition**

The Royal Mail is having a Christmas Stamp Design Competition. If your child is interested, please visit:

<http://www.ichild.co.uk/royalmailchristmasstampdesigncompetition/?/royalmail>

### **Teaching Awards**

The team at Crowmarsh is truly phenomenal. Did you know that you or your children can enter teachers for the Teaching Awards? Please take time to celebrate and support the exceptional effort that they put in every day to ensure your children can be their very best. Please see below further information as to how you can recognise your teachers.

The Pearson Teaching Awards - the "Oscars for Teachers" - recognise and celebrate the exceptional and life changing work of teachers across the country. Teachers change young people's lives, often in the most challenging circumstances, and their work cannot be valued highly enough. The Pearson Teaching Awards create a moment where we celebrate their work on a UK-wide scale. [www.teachingawards.com](http://www.teachingawards.com)

Our Awards give **you** an opportunity to celebrate with your peers, students and parents the brilliant work that takes place in schools across the country. **The deadline for entries is March 24<sup>th</sup>**, winners are announced in June, and the process culminates in a glittering UK Ceremony in October,

broadcast to the nation on BBC2.

We'd love to see you there, so nominate a colleague today who you see making an exceptional contribution to children's lives.

### **Interested in Coaching or Helping with Sports?**

As you know, our school is committed to providing as many different and varied opportunities for its pupils as possible.

We would like to participate in more 'in' and after school sporting competitions, however, need someone who could help with the 'coaching' aspect of this. The sports range from hockey, football, athletics, cross country to netball. If you would be interested in something like this, please can you get in touch with Mrs Barton. Thank you.

### **Class Blogs**

Don't forget to see what your children are doing each week on the class blogs on our website as well as the headteacher blog.

Also, follow us on @CrowmarshSchool for pictures and tweets throughout the week.

### **Mobile Phones**

Please can we remind all pupils and parents that if your child brings a mobile phone into school, they must be turned into the office to Mrs Rance and then collected at the end of the day. Thank you for your support.

### **Head Lice**

We have some cases of head lice in school so please check your child's hair and take action if necessary.

## **Church Services at St Mary**

**Magdalene** of particular interest to families in February are:

11.00am Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March  
Family Service

11.00 Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March  
Mothering Sunday Family Communion

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March, there will be a **Quiz 'n' Chips Night** at St Mary Magdalene Church. Doors open at 7.00pm, first round 7.30pm. Trophy for the winning team. £10.00 per head to include meal. £7.50 per head with no meal. Licensed Bar. Suggested team size is 6 to 8 people. Forms are available from Crowmarsh Stores or the school office or entries by email to Sarah Nesbitt at [sjn62@icloud.com](mailto:sjn62@icloud.com)

## **Playground Project**

Don't forget to sign up for the new village playground campaign on the sheet in the entrance hall. We need as many signatures as possible.

## **Governors' Email Address**

Parents wishing to contact the school governors may email them at [1gov5937@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:1gov5937@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk)

## **2017 THAMES RUN**

This year's Thames Run will take place on Sunday 21st May 2017 and will be again be raising money for Crowmarsh Primary School PTA and Style Acre.

The Thames Run is a multi-terrain 5 and 10k run in and around the historic town of Wallingford. It starts and finishes at Crowmarsh Gifford School, who will also be holding the summer fete, offering refreshments, ice-creams and burgers.

Whilst all the profits from registration fees are donated to Crowmarsh School PTA and Style Acre, remember you can also run and raise sponsorship money for your own choice of charity.

As well as encouraging people to enter the run, we also need volunteers to help out. Anyone interested in helping with the set up or marshalling of the run should email [thamesruncommittee@gmail.com](mailto:thamesruncommittee@gmail.com) or complete the volunteer form on the website <http://www.thamesrun.co.uk>

Early bird discounted entries to the Thames Run are available from <http://www.thamesrun.co.uk/register> until March 12th. In the meantime, keep the date free and watch this space for further details!

## **Energy Kidz Job Vacancies**

Energy Kidz, who run our Breakfast and After School Clubs, are looking for a manager and a playworker to join the team at Crowmarsh School. Hours are 3pm until 6pm. Level 3 childcare qualification is desirable for the manager role. Full training provided for playworkers. Manager's hourly rate is £9 - £10 per hour. Playworker's hourly rate is £7 - 8 per hour. Staff need to be willing to have fun and enjoy working with children.

Visit [www.energy-kidz.co.uk](http://www.energy-kidz.co.uk) for an application form or call Melissa on 07496962449.

Kindest Regards,

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