



# CHECKENDON C.E. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

16<sup>th</sup> June 2016

## Diary for Term 6

<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b> Tea and cake on Checkendon Village Green 5pm Thanksgiving Service at St. Peter and St. Paul 6pm	Join our local church community and members of staff to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's birthday!
<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>Rhino Class Trip to Slough Water Treatment Works</b>
<b>Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Owl Class Trip to Byways Dental Practice</b>
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2:45 in the school hall</b>	<b>All Welcome!</b> Farewell to Katy Brereton, Dawn Cox, Louise Jessel, Marilyn Maddock and Elise Way

## What have we been learning in school this week?

### Owlet Class

Children in Owlet Class have been learning about friendship through the book 'Rainbow Fish'. In maths we have been learning about addition by counting on. We have been continuing our topic about growing.

### Owl Class

Children in Owl Class have been looking at biographies, in particular, biographies of people who make a difference, including Bradley Wiggins. On Wednesday the children enjoyed an archery session run by Ignite; they have also been completing the phonics screening checks.

### Panda Class

In Panda Class this week we have been developing our problem solving skills in maths. In literacy we have begun reading Friend or Foe by Micheal Morpurgo and learning about evacuees. We have been linking this to our topic about London. Also in our topic about London we have been identifying famous London landmarks on aerial photographs.

### Rhino Class

In Rhino Class children have been writing extended adventure stories using descriptive vocabulary and including dialogue to make it interesting for their reader. In science they have been learning about William Harvey and his investigations into the heart and circulation.

## School Value for Term 6 RESPECT

This term we will be focussing in school on the value RESPECT. Please see the separate attachment for more information on what you could do at home to accompany our work within school on this value.

### **Swimming Success**

Congratulations to Poppy, Jacob, Finn, James, Joshua, Perdy, Jemima and Maisie who took part in a swimming competition at The Oratory School and achieved 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The kindness and encouragement the pupils showed towards each other was particularly outstanding.

### **School Council News**

This week in School Council we reviewed the Litter Action Plan and decided that it is going well. Responsibility for taking out and bringing in the bins and milk carton tray will now pass from Rhino to Panda class for the rest of this term.

We also reviewed the 'Meet and Greet' procedure whereby School Council members welcome visitors to the school when they come into their class. We talked about how each class has decided whose turn it is to talk to the visitors and whether they prefer to do this individually or with a partner.

As many children now enjoy bringing their scooters and skateboards to school we will be asking Class Councils to discuss whether they think children should wear helmets to do these activities.

### **Mr David Lane to join Checkendon Primary School**

We are very pleased to announce that David Lane will be joining Checkendon Primary School as the Panda Class Teacher for Years 3 and 4 in September. We are looking forward to welcoming Mr Lane back to Checkendon and from the excitement raised by the children when they saw him in school, it would appear that they are looking forward to his return too!

### **Dogs**

Please be advised that well behaved dogs can be left tied to the large gate by reception and the footpath to the main road during pick up and collection.

### **Early Closure of the Office on Friday Afternoons**

For the rest of this term on a trial basis, the school office will be closed from 15.00 on Friday afternoons. If you have an urgent query after this time, we ask that you speak to your child's class teacher; for non-urgent queries please email the office. We would welcome feedback about this arrangement; let us know what you think over the course of the next few weeks and this will help us plan for 2016-17.

### **The Goring Gap Festival**

As you may be aware we have been supporting the GAP Festival in school with a few projects which can be found at the following link - <http://www.thegapfestival.org/school-activities.html>

For those who helped Suzannah Lovegrove create the cygnet, it will be on display in the grounds of the Swan Hotel at the weekend. You can also help create The Big Sculpt, the accompanying Swan, at 10am on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June. This is a free activity.

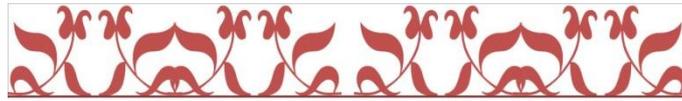
### **Flash Mob - Sunday 19 June 12.15pm Gardiner Recreation Ground**

The whole school participated in learning the routine for this event so why not pop down to the Festival to see the children in action!

### **Lunchtime helpers required**

We would be very interested in hearing from you if you would be willing to volunteer to assist during the

lunch hour from 12 – 1pm. During this time you would assist the children whilst eating their lunch and assist supervising the playground. We would welcome offers from volunteers or applicants for a paid position.



**St Peter and St Paul, Checkendon**

**Thanksgiving Service**

for the 90th birthday

of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2.

**Sunday 19th June at 6pm.**



Tea and Cake on the Village Green from 5pm

**Everybody welcome !**



**Extra-Curricular Activities Term 6**

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	YEARS	ORGANISERS
<b>Monday</b>	8.00-8.40	<b>Dodgeball (06.6.16-11.7.16)</b>	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
	Lunchtime	<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	3.30-4.30	<b>Drama Factory (18.4.16-11.7.16)</b>	3-6	Berzerk Matt 07976 652742
<b>Tuesday</b>	12.00-12.45	<b>Judo (19.4.16 – 28.6.16 )</b>	1 – 6	linkai Tel: 0118 9885822
	Lunchtime	<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
		<b>Guitar</b>	All	Ian Marriss Tel: 07926 383737
	During school	<b>School Council</b>	2-6	Gill Peeling
	3.30-4.30	<b>French Club (19.4.16-12.7.16)</b>	2-6	Tutorbox Tel: 0118 9841684 Irene Casey
3.30-4.30	<b>Quidditch (07.6.16-12.7.16)</b>	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890	
<b>Wednesday</b>	(S.R.Pavillion) 8.00-8.30	<b>Running Club</b>	3-6	Chris Lee Elise Way
		<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
		<b>Violin</b>	All	Elestr Lee Tel: 0118 9478685

	3.30 – 4.30	<b>Badminton (08.6.16-13.7.16)</b>	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
<b>Thursday</b>	8.00-8.40	<b>Archery (09.6.16-14.7.16)</b>	1-6	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
	Lunchtime	<b>Woodwind</b>	All	Lucy Robertson County Music Service Tel: 07958 537157
<b>Friday</b>	Lunchtime	<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	(Outside/Hall) 3.30-4.30	<b>Football (22.4.16-15.7.16)</b>	All	Pro-Direct Tel: 07921 726332

## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Rhino Class trip to Slough Water Treatment Works
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Year 6 Langtree Taster Day
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Owl Class trip to Byways Dental Practice
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Mobile Library (last one – collection only)
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	2.15pm: Rhino Class Production
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	6.30pm: Rhino Class Production
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Olympics Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole school learning project: The Olympics
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day reserve
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	2:45 Farewell to staff
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	1.15pm Leavers Assembly
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Term 6



Please see the separate attachment for more information of the Oxfordshire Science Festival.

*Checkendon C of E Primary School accepts no responsibility for the organisation of external events.*

# THE OXFORD & CAMBRIDGE SINGING SCHOOL

## Summer 2016

25<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016

Merton College, Oxford

### About us

Established in 2013, *The Oxford and Cambridge Singing School* is for boys and girls aged 7-13 who love to sing. The singing school was established to give children the opportunity to sing great classical music with world class coaches in a relaxed and fun environment and to develop their confidence and ability in singing and performing.

### About the course

Held at Merton College Oxford, pupils will learn some beautiful music and at the same time gain a background in vocal technique, music theory and history. In honour of the Queen's birthday, this summer we will be working on some of the greatest pieces by Henry Purcell, considered to be one of the finest English composers; and Handel's *Zadok the Priest*.

Families are most welcome to come and listen to a mini-concert at the end of each day. Courses include whole-group singing, musical games and exercises to improve sight reading, small group vocal coaching and much more.

*"How lucky are these young singers. They are brilliantly taught and have a lot of fun, and you will be amazed at what they achieve in just a few days - and all in the most beautiful surroundings". Bob Chilcott*

Places are limited. Please book early to avoid disappointment.



We have regular courses in Oxford, Cambridge and London. For more information and to book a space, please visit our website.

[www.oxbridgesingingschool.co.uk](http://www.oxbridgesingingschool.co.uk)