



# CHECKENDON C.E. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017

### Diary for Term 1

<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b> Last Day of Term 1	<b>Non-uniform Day:</b> please bring in an item for the fireworks tombola. <b>After school Cake Sale</b> to raise money for ShelterBox ( <i>please bring your cake donations and place them in the kitchen</i> )
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>INSET DAY:</b> no children in school
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	First Day of Term 2
<b>Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October – Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	<b>Kaleidoscope Days: Science</b> children in all classes will go off-timetable to take part in a range of exciting science activities.
<b>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b>	School Association Fireworks
<b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November</b>	3pm Community Worship in the School Hall: all welcome
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Flu Vaccination (Reception to Year 4) <i>Consent forms will be sent out on 31<sup>st</sup> October</i>
<b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December</b>	6pm: Parent and Child Online Safety Workshop for children in Years 4, 5 and 6

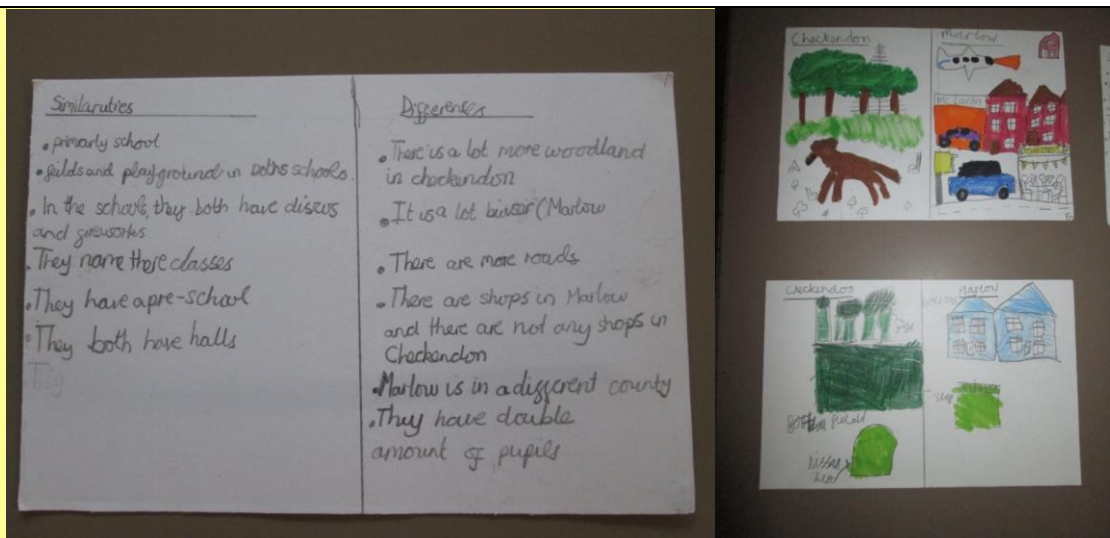
### Learning Projects for Term 2

<b>Owlet Class</b>	'Up, Up and Away'		
<b>Owl Class</b>	Fire! Fire!	Nativity	
<b>Panda Class</b>	History: The Roman Empire and its impact on Britain	Science: How could we cope without electricity?	RE: Should Christians worship Mary
	Music: Animal Magic		
<b>Rhino Class</b>	History: The Anglo-Saxons	Science: Classifying and changing materials	DT: creating puppets and using them to perform

### Learning highlights this week...

Children in **Owlet Class** have been learning all about Diwali. They have made Diya lamps, Rangoli patterns and listened to the story of Rama and Sita. The children have also sampled lots of Diwali sweet treats.

Children in **Owl Class** have finally finished their *Guide to Bournemouth*, seascapes and seaside list poems! Please pop before school tomorrow to have a look at their brilliant work. Children in **Panda Class** had a really interesting visit to Foxes Piece Primary School in Marlow to deliver their *Guide to Checkendon*. Panda Class pupils enjoyed interviewing Year 6 pupils and we received an email from the host teacher commending them on their excellent behaviour. Not only were the children excellent ambassadors for our school but they also gleaned a good amount of information for our contrasting locality study *The Town Mouse and The Country Mouse*.



Children in **Rhino Class** have been outside sketching views of the woodlands and landscapes around the school. They have then been using paint to develop their landscapes.

### Trainee Teachers

After half term we will be welcoming four trainee teachers from Oxford Brookes University: Zoe Mobbs and Caitlin Riordan in Owl Class (2<sup>nd</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup> November) and Jessica Lloyd and Holly Mundy in Rhino Class (6<sup>th</sup>- 15<sup>th</sup> November).

### Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Tomorrow you will receive in book bags a leaflet and letter regarding the Samaritan's Purse shoebox appeal which we are pleased to be participating in this year. Please return all filled shoeboxes to the School Office by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November. A ladies shoe box is an ideal size. Please remember to cover the lid separately from the box as all boxes have to be checked before being sent on. Thank you in advance for supporting this campaign and sending some Christmas joy to children who are less fortunate.

### Can you help?

We have a few big items that need taking to the tip. Does anyone have a spare van or trailer to take them to the tip? If you can help, please contact the school office. Thanks.

### Football

Out of hours and playtime football will re-commence after the half term break. Children will need to use lightweight plastic balls to avoid accidents. Suitable balls will be provided for them during the school day. If you provide a ball for your child to play with after school, please ensure that it is lightweight, to prevent causing injuries.

### Checkendon Pre-School Assistant Vacancy

Due to the success of the pre-school, they are looking for a pre-school assistant to join their team after Christmas. Do pop in and see them in the village hall if you are interested.

### Village Car Park

This is just a reminder that when parking in the village car park (adjacent to the recreation ground) if it is busy you can park right up to the posts and not just on the gravel area. This is will be handy on our fireworks night.

### Extra-Curricular Clubs

Unfortunately we are still waiting to hear from Ignite as to whether they can offer gymnastics and archery clubs after half term. We will send out the details as soon as we have confirmation.

## Fundraising

### ShelterBox

Our next fundraising event will be a cake sale on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017 (last day of term 1). Nicky and Joseph West are going to run the cake sale so please bring in your cake donations on the day. Thank you.

### Christmas Cards

This year's Christmas card order has now been placed. If you have missed the deadline, please let the school office know as we may place a further order.



## School Association

### Fireworks display 3<sup>rd</sup> November

We very much need your support to make the evening a success so please spread the word. Caroline Herbert, Carolyn Robb and Kate Pullan are heading the organisation of the event but desperately need more volunteers to come forward to help in the run up and to help on the evening itself. **IN PARTICULAR WE NEED 4/5 PEOPLE TO HELP WITH LIGHTING THE FIREWORKS ON THE EVENING.** So if you would like to help in whatever capacity, please speak to Caroline, Carolyn or Kate who will be very grateful and happily assign you a role or email Kate at [kate.pullan@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:kate.pullan@yahoo.co.uk)

## TOMBOLA PRIZES FOR FIREWORKS NIGHT

We need your donations please for the Tombola at our Fireworks Night.

We'd love any of the following:



Bottles (wine, beer, cider etc.)

Chocolates, gifts, toys or books



This is a great opportunity to give away some unwanted gifts that are maybe cluttering your cupboards, but please make sure items are NEW.

Children can wear their own choice of clothes on Friday 21st October **in exchange for donating a Tombola prize.** Please bring your donations to the collection point at the school entrance.

The fireworks cake stall needs your delicious cakes.

Please bring in your donations for our cake stall and leave them in the school kitchen on the morning of Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The cake stall is always a big success and helps raise lots of money for the school. *The more cakes the better!*



So get baking please!



## Term 1 - Extra-Curricular Activities

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	YEARS	ORGANISERS
<b>Monday</b>	Lunchtime	<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	3.30-4.30	<b>Drama Factory (11/9/17 – 27/11/17)</b> No club on 30 <sup>th</sup> October due to inset day	Yrs 2-6	Berzerk Tel: 07976 652742
<b>Tuesday</b>	(S.R.Pavillion) 8.00-8.30	<b>Stoke Row Running Club (restarting 12/9/17)</b>	Yrs 3-6	Stoke Row Running Club Elise Way - eliseway@hotmail.co.uk
	Lunchtime	<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	3.30-5.15	<b>Equestrian Club (31/10/17 – 28/11/17)</b>	All	Checkendon Equestrian Centre Tel: 01491 680225
	3.30-4.30	<b>Gymnastics Club <i>tbc</i></b>	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
<b>Wednesday</b>	Lunchtime	<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	Lunchtime	<b>Violin (restarting on 20/9/17)</b>	All	Elestr Lee Tel: 0118 9478685 elestr.lee@btopenworld.com
	3.30-4.30	<b>Dodgeball <i>tbc</i></b>	All	Paul Meakin
<b>Thursday</b>	08.00-08.40	<b>Music Club (7/9/17 to 14/12/17)</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	14:15	<b>Woodwind</b>	All	Lucy Robertson County Music Service
	3.30-4.30	<b>Archery Club <i>tbc</i></b>	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
<b>Friday</b>	08.00-08.45 (Panda Classroom)	<b>Relax Kids (10/11/17 to 15/12/17)</b>	Yrs 1-6	Sophia Cleverly Tel: 07811 268990 relaxkidssouthoxfordshire@gmail.com
	08.00-08.45 (School Hall)	<b>'Big Christmas Sing' Choir</b>	Yrs 3-6	Bill Boyer 01491 680693
	Lunchtime	<b>Piano</b>	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	3.30-4.30	<b>Football (15/9/17 to 8/12/17)</b>	All	Pro-Direct Tel: 07921 726332
	3.30	<b>Guitar (restarting on 22/9/17)</b>	All	Russ Payne Tel: 07921 087816

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	2:30pm Reception & KS1 Nativity Play
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	5:30pm Reception & KS1 Nativity Play
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Lunch
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	6pm Christmas Service
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term 2, finish at 2pm
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	First date of term 3
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January	3pm Community Worship
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	from 3:30pm: Parents' Evening
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	from 3:30pm: Parents' Evening
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Last day of term 3, finish at 3.20pm
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Spring Holiday
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Inset day – no children in school
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	First day of term 4
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February	3pm Community Worship
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term 4, finish at 3.20pm
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> March – Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holiday
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	Inset day – no children in school
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of term 5
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	3pm Community Worship
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs week
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of term 5, finish at 3.20pm
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> May – Fri 1 <sup>st</sup> Jun	Summer Holiday
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Inset day – no children in school
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	First day of term 6
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	3pm Community Worship
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Annual Reports issued
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term 6, finish at 2pm



PLANETARIUM  
SHOWS  
Ages 3-11



# Calling Junior Astronauts!

SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER  
10am-12pm

Book your place online [www.cranfordhouse.net/juniorspaceday](http://www.cranfordhouse.net/juniorspaceday)



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Philip has had a workshop in Checkendon since 1984.

in **Checkendon Village Hall,**

**8.00pm Friday 17th November**

Doors open at 7.45pm. Talk starts at 8.30pm

Ticket £8.00 - to include canapés

Tickets from: [sj.endacott@googlemail.com](mailto:sj.endacott@googlemail.com) tel: 0118 9843858

Ticket proceeds in aid of the upkeep of Checkendon Church and graveyard.

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