



CHECKENDON C.E. SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

26th May 2016

A good school with outstanding leadership!

We are celebrating following the publication of the recent SIAMS Inspection report which judges the school as good with outstanding leadership and management. The report highlights the work of the School Values Ambassadors, the focus on progress of individual pupils, the high standards of behaviour and the effectiveness of teaching and learning in R.E. Inspectors judged leadership and management of the school as outstanding and commented on the impact of the core Christian values, effective monitoring and the strong partnership between the school and church.

Please see the full report attached.

Diary for Term 6

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Friday 10 th June 2016	PSHE Day
Monday 13 th June 2016	3.00pm Community Worship, all welcome
Monday 13 th June 2016	3.30pm Year 6 Residential Trip Parents Information Meeting – Letters were sent in book bags today
Thursday 16 th June 2016	3.30pm Year 5 Residential Trip Parents Information Meeting – Letters were sent in book bags today
Friday 17 th June 2016	2.15pm Festival of Voices
Wednesday 22 nd June 2016	Year 6 Langtree Taster Day
Wednesday 29 th June 2016	Mobile Library – last one
Monday 11 th July 2016	2.15pm Rhino Performance
Tuesday 12 th July 2016	6.30pm Rhino Performance
Thursday 14 th July 2016	Olympics Day
Friday 15 th July 2016	Sports Day
Monday 18 th June 2016	Sports Day (reserve date)
Wednesday 15 th July 2016	1.15pm Leavers Assembly
Wednesday 15 th July 2016	Last Day of Term 6

What have we been learning in school this week?

Owlet Class

This week has been very exciting so far. Our caterpillars have turned into butterflies! We have been watching them closely and feeding them with sugared water and fruit. Let's hope the sun comes out for their release.

Owl Class

This week in Owl Class, the Year 1s have been to Whitchurch Primary School for a sports festival whilst the Year 2s practised their cricket skills on our field. Our French beans have been planted out and our potato plants are looking huge. (Watch out Owlet class, we think our crop will be bigger than yours: get watering!) We have also been investigating the size of puddles made by different containers and whether there is a link between foot size and the distance between your wrist and elbow.

Panda Class

This week the children in Panda class have been completing some assessments. They have worked really hard and shown the best of everything they can do. We have also been working on our Pointillism paintings to finish our French topic.

Rhino Class

This week the children have been learning about puppets. They have been looking at different types of puppets and the way they are used; both to entertain and inform people. They have designed their own marionettes of characters in 'Goodnight Mr Tom' and are currently constructing them from recycled materials. Year 6 had an excellent day at Ewelme Park, learning about Red Kites and the farm as well as finding out about the history of the Park and meeting birds of prey.

Teaching Assistant Appointments

We are very pleased to announce that Mrs Lamping, Miss Fisher and Mrs Tarbox are joining the team of teaching assistants at the school for the next academic year. Miss Fisher will be based in Owlets and Mrs Tarbox and Mrs Lamping will be in Panda Class.

Farewell to Mrs Way

It is with regret that we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Way this term, she will be greatly missed and we wish her all the best for the future.

Lunchtime helpers required

We are 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 be required to assist the children whilst eating their lunch and assist supervising the playground. We would welcome offers from volunteers or applicants for a paid position.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Please be advised that the sports clubs run by Ignite Sport finish this term and new courses will be starting in the first week of term 6. Details of the new clubs are in the timetable below and all bookings should be made directly with Ignite on their web site www.ignitesportuk.com

Governors' news

The Full Governing Body met on Monday evening. Items on the agenda included:- looking at school data on the Headteacher's report, updates on the School Development Plan, admissions for September and governor succession for 2016/17.

Mrs Griffin (Staff governor) has been busy gathering data and talking to the children about different aspects of school life. She will report back to the Achievement Committee and help us work towards setting targets for next year.

The governors would like to congratulate Mrs Seymour and all her staff on the fantastic report from SIAMS and thank them for all their continuing hard work for the school.

Circus fundraising total

Tracey has finally finished counting and we would like to say a massive thank you to everyone for helping us raise the grand total of £4,257 (after costs!) at the circus. It was a brilliant team effort - thank you!

Checkendon Church of England (A) Primary School

Oxfordshire
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Teaching Assistant

Temporary for one year

We are looking for a friendly person to join our school as a KS1 Teaching Assistant in Owl Class. The post is 14.65 hours and includes some lunchtime supervision: Monday & Tuesday 1pm – 3.20pm & Wednesday – Friday 12pm – 3.20pm, term time only and initially temporary for one year.

Salary Scale: Grade 4 Pt.11: £8.74 per hour (including holiday pay)

Checkendon School is a small, family school with motivated children, a great staff team and well-appointed facilities.

If you are interested in this position, please telephone the school office on 01491 680693 to be sent an application form and arrange to visit the school. Information regarding the post is also available on the school website.

Checkendon School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post requires applicants to undertake a Disclosure and Barring Service check.

Closing date: Monday 13th June 2016. Interview: PM Tuesday 14th June 2016.

Extra-Curricular Activities Term 6

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY	YEARS	ORGANISERS
Monday	8.00-8.40	Dodgeball (06.6.16-11.7.16)	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
	Lunchtime	Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	3.30-4.30	Drama Factory (18.4.16-11.7.16)	3-6	Berzerk Matt 07976 652742
Tuesday	12.00-12.45	Judo (19.4.16 – 28.6.16)	1 – 6	linkai Tel: 0118 9885822
	Lunchtime	Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
		Guitar	All	Ian Marriss Tel: 07926 383737
	During school	School Council	2-6	Gill Peeling
	3.30-4.30	French Club (19.4.16-12.7.16)	2-6	Tutorbox Tel: 0118 9841684 Irene Casey
3.30-4.30	Quidditch (07.6.16-12.7.16)	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890	
Wednesday	(S.R.Pavillion) 8.00-8.30	Running Club	3-6	Chris Lee Elise Way
		Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
		Violin	All	Elestr Lee Tel: 0118 9478685
	3.30 – 4.30	Badminton (08.6.16-13.7.16)	All	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
Thursday	8.00-8.40	Archery (09.6.16-14.7.16)	1-6	Ignite Tel: 01869 220890
	Lunchtime	Woodwind	All	Lucy Robertson County Music Service Tel: 07958 537157
Friday	Lunchtime	Piano	All	Emma Davies Tel: 01491 680252
	(Outside/Hall) 3.30-4.30	Football (22.4.16-15.7.16)	All	Pro-Direct Tel: 07921 726332

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