

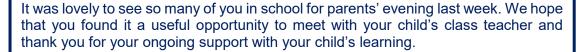
THE ACORN NEWSLETTER

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Mighty oaks from little acorns grow

Dear Parents and Carers



The children have worked really hard this half term and I am sure that they are looking forward to a well-deserved break over the next week. We hope that you have a happy and safe half term break and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 3rd November.

Kind regards, Holly Marchand Headteacher







Community Police Visit

We welcomed PC Robin Dakin, Community Police Officer, into school for an update on local issues We gave him a tour of the grounds, as he has not visited our site before.

He is hoping to pop in more frequently to get to know our school.

Absence From School

Please could we ask you to be more specific when reporting your child's absence, rather than just stating "poorly" or "unwell".

Please try and make your child's medical appointments outside of school hours, where possible. A lot of learning time is currently being lost by children leaving to attend appointments during the school day.

If possible, please could you provide a copy or photo of the appointment letter or reminder to help us determine whether the absence will be authorised. Thank you for your support with this.







The Gortham Toy APPEAL SALVATION SALVATION ARMY

This year, we are once again supporting the Salvation Army by trying to collect new toys for their Christmas Present Appeal.

If you would like to donate a new toy or game, please send to school by Friday 21st November. All toys should be new and unwrapped.

Thank you for your continued support with our community partnerships.

A Warm Coat for the Colder Weather

Please remember to send your child into school with a warm coat, and possibly gloves and hat, now that we are experiencing











Diary Dates

Fri 24th Oct PD Day Mon 27th Oct Half term week

Thu 6th Nov Photographer (individuals/family groups)

Tue 11th Nov Remembrance Assembly
Thu 20th Nov Crucial Crew Visit – Y6
Fri 21st Nov FOS Meeting – 1.30
Wed 3rd Dec Christmas Dinner

Mon 8th Dec Y3/4 Christmas Production 2.00/5.30
Tue 9th Dec Y1/2 Christmas Production 2.00/5.30
Wed 10th Dec EYFS Christmas Production 10.00/2.00
Thu 11th Dec Y5/6 Christmas Production 10.00/2.00/5.30

Tue 16th Dec Pantomime – Whole School

Wed 17th Dec Christingle Service
Thu 18th Dec Christmas Party Day
Fri 19th Dec Visit to Church

Fri 19th Dec Last day of Autumn term

Mon 5th Jan PD Day

Tue 6th Jan First day of Spring term
Tue 13th Jan Stone Age Visitors – Y3/4
Fri 16th Jan FOS Meeting – 1.30
Tue 10th Feb Safer Internet Day

Fri 13th Feb FOS Non School Uniform Day Fri 13th Feb FOS Meeting – 1.30/Cake Sale 3.15

Mon 16th Feb Half term week
Thu 5th March World Book Day
Tue 17th March Parents' Evening
Thu 19th Mar Parents' Evening

Fri 27th March FOS Meeting – 1.30/Cake Sale 3.15

Fri 27th March FOS Non School Uniform Day

Fri 27th March Visit to Church

Fri 27th March Last day of Spring term Mon 13th April First day of Summer term

Mon 4th May
W/c 11th May
Y6 SATS week
Fri 15th May
FOS Meeting – 1.30
W/c 18th May
Science week
Mon 25th May
Mon 8th June
Sports Day

Fri 19th June FOS Non School Uniform Day

Fri 19th June FOS Cake Sale – 3.15

Fri 19th June **Summer Fete** Mon 29th June Reserve Sports Day Wed 1st July Y6 Leavers' Disco Tue 7th July Y6 Production Evening Thu 9th July Y6 Production Evening Fri 10th July Reports out to Parents Fri 10th July FOS Non School Uniform Fri 10th July FOS Meeting – 1.30

Mon 13th July Y6 Leavers' Assembly (+ Parents)

Fri 17th July Visit to Church

Fri 17th July Last day of Summer term



<u>Applications for</u> <u>High School</u>

A reminder for our Year 6 parents that the closing date for applying for your child's high school place is 31st October 2025.



A big thank you to our families who kindly donated new fidget toys for use in the classrooms.

Squirrels



A reminder to book your child(ren) into the Breakfast and After School Clubs using the SCOPay app to ensure there are spaces available on your chosen days.

Please contact the school office for assistance, if needed.



Bonfire Lunch Menu Wednesday 5th November

Hot Dog
Veggie Hot Dog
Served with Jacket Wedges
& Beans & Sweetcorn

Dessert: Ice Cream



Happy Half Term

We wish you a restful half term and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on

Monday 3rd November.

