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School Christian Value: Perseverance

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Dear parents and carers,

It is hard to believe that we are approaching the end of term already! As always, school life is busy, and children are enjoying their learning. As we continue to be an active school, we are very excited to be working with the Learning through Landscapes Trust after being awarded a local school nature grant. With this grant, we have purchased den building equipment, planting equipment and some staff training. Next week we have training on den-building and cannot wait to share this with the children as we continue to enrich, enhance, and inspire outdoor learning and play.



Road Safety

Councillor Nigel Simpson visited our school following the successful funding for new, flashing road safety lights to keep our children safe. We are looking forward to getting them installed. The children presented Nigel with thank you cards and sang for him.



Forest School

Wahoo! Children in year 3 had an amazing afternoon on the new rope swing at forest school. They built fantastic dens and were visited by the resident frog!



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Rowan Class News

Rowan class have been engaged in many exciting topics.

In their current topic 'Our Wonderful World', they worked together to create maps with key features and labels after looking at examples. In maths, children have been thinking carefully when creating repeating patterns. In RE, children are learning about Judaism and next week they will find out more from our special visitor.



RE in Oak Class

Oak class have been learning about Shabbat in RE. Jewish people have a special day of rest starting from sunset on Friday until nightfall on Saturday. The children enjoyed the blessing and the Challah (bread). The creation story is remembered including the seventh day as a day of rest. We discussed our own weekends and compared with Shabbat.



Restorative Practice and Well-Being

Our new Wellbeing Ambassadors led an assembly through drama about restorative practice at our school. We call it 'Mend It' and that's what we do if there is a friendship fallout.

Flu, COVID and scarlet fever (Strep A) As you will have seen in the news, flu, COVID and scarlet fever (caused by strep A) are all currently circulating at high levels. At school we will continue to practice good hand hygiene and ensure good ventilation. Please could we ask that you do not send your child to school if they feel unwell and have a fever. As always, we welcome donations of tissues for the classrooms. You can find more information on our absence page.

<https://kirtlington.oxon.sch.uk/information/parents-information/child-absence/>



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Change of footwear

Please remember that children should have a pair of trainers and a pair of welly boots in school for use during outdoor play. On PE days, they should come in their school shoes and will change into trainers when they do PE.

Facebook Page Reminder

Keep liking and sharing so that we can continue share the good news and achievements from our wonderful children and school. <https://www.facebook.com/Kirtlington-CE-Primary-School-103702855403042/>

Free School meals

Should your circumstances change over the next few weeks or months, please see this link for further support. <http://schools.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/free-school-meals>

Breakfast club and After School Club

Remember if you require wrap around care provision, please contact High Flyers www.highflyers.org.uk

Dates and reminders

30 th Jan – 3 rd Feb	National Storytelling Week
Tues 31 st January	Oak Class - planetarium at school
6-12 th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Tues 7 th February	Safer Internet Day
Weds 8 th February	Oak Class French Play – time TBC
Fri 10th February	End of term – 3pm
Mon 20th February	Term starts – 8:40am
Tues 28 th February	Bringing books to life dance workshop
Thurs 2 nd March	World Book Day
Fri 31st March	End of term – 1:30pm

Safeguarding

If you have urgent concerns about a child, please call 999. For other concerns, please contact the MASH team on 0345 050 7666

<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/business/informationproviders/multi-agency-safeguarding-hub>

As always, thank you for your continued support. We hope you have a lovely weekend.

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