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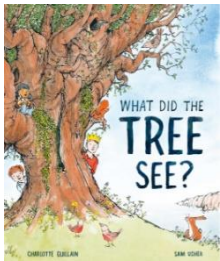
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School Christian Value: Service

23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable and restful half term. We have had a busy few weeks back at school since half term. The weather has warmed up and we are enjoying our summer activities. We are pleased to see the children coming to school with hats, wearing suncream and with water bottles. As always, we will encourage children to play in the shade and keep a close eye on rising temperatures.



### **New Library Opening**

We were very excited to invite an author along to open our new library today.

Charlotte Guillain, the author of 'What Did the Tree See', visited us to run a workshop (based on her book) with the children. The story is told in gentle rhyming verse, a

beautiful non-fiction picture book follows the story of an oak tree on a hilltop as it witnesses life changing around it over the course of hundreds of years. Charlotte cut the ribbon to declare our library officially open and the children will be able to start borrowing books next week.



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## Lamb Ale Event

We were once again delighted to host the yearly Morris dancing event, one of the ancient Whitsun feasts which can be traced back to the early 1600s and took the form of a village festival and feast. Children from the school were asked to lead the procession through the village and up to the church. They also performed a traditional country dance. Many Morris dancers attended, from up and down the country. The event was enjoyed by many people. Thanks to all who were able to help with organisation.



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## Quad Kids

Oak class participated with other schools in the partnership at a Quad Kids event held at the Marlborough School. They took part in many different sports and enjoyed cheering each other on. The children showed perseverance, determination, and resilience. Well done to Oak class!



## Willow Class

Children have been practicing their athletic skills in PE. They are enjoying their sessions and have demonstrated some great teamwork.

The children have been extremely enthusiastic too!

## High Flyers breakfast and afterschool club

Henry Lanham is our Highflyer of the week.

This week we have made blow straw rockets and octopus and lots of fun outside with bubbles and water also been drawing with dobber pens.

Breakfast Club: We currently have a couple of places available. Breakfast runs from 8:00 AM Tuesday to Thursdays. If you need childcare after school, and somewhere for your child to come and play, we are open Mondays until 4:30PM and Tuesday to Thursdays until 6:00 PM.

You can book through our website: <https://www.highflyers.org.uk> For next year's booking use our new booking platform: <https://highflyersoxfordlimited.ipalbookings.com/>



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## Dates and reminders

26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Y5/6 Residential to Yenworthy
Weds 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Willow Class and Y4 Trip to The Living Rainforest
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Y1-6 Girls football day at The Marlborough School
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Willow Class Roman Day
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day at the Village Hall Playing Field – 9:30am
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 transition day at The Marlborough School
Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Whole School Transition morning (children in next year's classes)
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Oak Class Play
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Oak Class trip to the Ashmolean
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Term homework hand in day
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	KSF Summer BBQ – 5-7pm
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 leavers assembly – 1:30pm
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> July	iRock Concert – 9:30am
Weds 16 <sup>th</sup> July	French Café hosted by Oak Class – 9am
<b>Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Term ends at 1:30pm</b>
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July</b>	<b>INSET Day</b>

### **Polite Parking Reminder**

Please avoid parking outside the school when dropping off and picking up. The road is extremely busy at this time of day – try to use the village hall carpark and walk up to school.

### **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](http://www.highflyers.org.uk)

### **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>



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**On-line Safety Link**

<https://kirtlington.oxon.sch.uk/information/online-safety/>

As always, thank you for your continued support. Have a wonderful weekend!

*Joy Baker and the team*



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