



School Newsletter

Issue 4, 18th October 2019

The Golden Book Awards

These awards are given out weekly for outstanding efforts; children will be named here in each newsletter!

Golden Book Awards for week ending the 4th and 11th October are:

RECEPTION: Charlie and Elena

MAPLE: Sean and Jackson

BIRCH: Sienna and Harley

OAK: Bradley and Beatrice

CHESTNUT: Pawel and Danny

EUCALYPTUS: Finley and Isabella



Values and Virtues – Grateful and Generous

These awards are given out weekly to children showing the values and virtues; children will be named in each newsletter! The value and virtue this term is Grateful and Generous.

The Values and Virtues for the week ending the 4th and 11th October are:

BIRCH: Jonny and Lexi

OAK: Charlie and Joana

CHESTNUT: Joseph and Lily

EUCALYPTUS: Logan and Michael



School Council

Our School Council for this academic year are: Amaziah, Paige, Emily W, Emmett, Joana, James, Millie, Jayden, Cian and Evie. Well done!



Refugee Prayer by Chestnut Class

Jesus, friend and brother
you know what it is like
to be hungry and thirsty.

You know what it feels like
to be a stranger who to be made to feel unwelcome.

You know the suffering
of all who have lost everything.

We pray that by welcoming refugees
we may show love for our neighbour
and be closer to you.

Amen

Parent information and School Reminders

We would appreciate if parents, especially those new to the school, could take the time to read this section as there is some important information regarding our school. If you have any queries, please do contact the school office.

- Nut Policy – Due to a severe nut allergy in school, we have a no nut policy. If you require further information, please see the school office.
- Leave of absence – only in exceptional circumstances (such as a funeral) will leave be authorised. If you need to make a request for absence, please submit a request in writing giving full details as to why the absence must be taken during term time.
- Dogs are not allowed onto school property. This includes the area outside the front of school, the car park and the driveway.
- Please name all uniform and items brought to school. Any lost property brought to the school office will be returned frequently if it is named.
- Absence from school due to illness - Reasons for absence may be offered verbally, by phone or left on school voicemail but must be followed by a letter on the child's return to school if the absence is for more than two days. Please contact the school no later than 9.30am on the first day of your child's absence.
- Arrival at School: Please can children be taken to the rear playground to line up before school. Please do not wait at the classroom doors (except Elm / Reception) as teachers will come to the rear playground to escort children into the classrooms. For children in Elm class; once the classroom doors are opened, please drop your children off and leave as quickly as possible to promote independence.
- Please be aware that school staff are not present in the playground until 8.45am. Please supervise young children until this time.
- There is no parking at school for parents. You are welcome to park at St Joseph's Church for drop off and collection times. If you are parking on local streets, please park responsibly as we do receive regular complaints regarding this.
- Please download the School Gateway app. Even if you do not need to make payments to the school, we would be grateful if you could register as it enables the school to send all text messages to you free, which we currently pay a fee for.
- **School meal payments must be paid by start of school on Monday morning** (or the first school day of the week). There are several ways you can make payments:
 - Via our online app school gateway, available at all times. We encourage all parents to book and pay for school meals this way even if your child receives free school meals
 - Pay at the school office from 08.45 with cash
 - A clearly marked envelope handed to breakfast club staff with cash
 - A clearly marked envelope for your child to hand in to the school office with cash

Kidz Care Club Payments

Please book your Kidz Care Club and Breakfast Club sessions via the school gateway app. You can do this if you pay via bank transfer, childcare vouchers or cash.

For School Gateway App – Choose the club you would like to use and select the chosen dates. You can book as far in advance as you like but you must pay at the time of booking. You must make the first gateway payment via a computer to register your card details. If you do not have access to a computer at home, please see the school office.

For Childcare Vouchers – Please send the payment with your child's name and BC or KCC as the reference. If you would like the voucher split between more than one club then please email the office your preference. Once the payment has been received, it will be credited to your school gateway account. You will then be able to book the sessions you require. Please send the childcare vouchers in enough time for them to be processed before your required session.

For Cash – Please bring the correct money in an envelope marked with your child's name followed by BC or KCC and the date. The money can then be credited to your school gateway account where you will be able to book the required sessions.

If you have any queries, please see the school office.

Fundraising 2019-20

Here is where you can see all the fundraising we have taken part in this year and how much we have raised:

School Attendance

**Half way through and at the end each small term children with perfect attendance will receive an award sticker in assembly.
Every day counts!**

Class	This week	Year To Date
Maple	92.4%	94.1%
Birch	100%	96.7%
Oak	95.8%	97.7%
Chestnut	100%	98.7%
Eucalyptus	100%	96.8%
Whole School	97.5%	96.8%

**At St. Joseph's, we take attendance very seriously!
For more information, please visit our attendance page on our website.**

<http://www.stjosephsprimarycarterton.co.uk/about-us/attendance-1>

Dates for the diary:

October:

Mon 21 st	Multi-Cultural Week
Tue 22 nd	Book Fair Arrives
Tue 22 nd	Parents Evening, 3.30pm – 5.30pm
Tues 22 nd	T4U Shoe boxes will be available for collection after school
Wed 23 rd	School Photographs
Wed 23 rd	Parents Evening, 5pm – 7pm
Thu 24 th	Years 3 -6 West Open Cross Country Event at Chesterton Sports Club (Team has been selected and letters have been sent out)
Fri 25 th	School finishes at 3pm for October Half Term (Kidz Care Club open until 6pm)

November:

Mon 4 th	School Returns at 9.00 am (Breakfast Club opens at 7.45 am)
Mon 4 th	Last Day of Book Fair (Collected on Tuesday 5 th November)

Wednesday

23 rd October	Oak
6 th November	Birch
13 th November	Maple
20 th November	Eucalyptus
27 th November	Chestnut

Thursday

24 th October	Class
7 th November	Whole School
14 th November	House
21 st November	Class

Friday

25 th October	Oak
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JUNIOR SATURDAY ART CLUB

FOR 8 - 12 YEAR OLDS

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- photography (darkroom and digital)
- graphic design
- animation
- printmaking
- textiles
- fashion
- ceramics
- 3D
- painting and drawing

The course takes place on Saturday mornings from 10am-12pm and parents are very welcome to attend with their child at no extra cost.

For full course information and to enrol visit:

www.activatelearning.ac.uk/Junior-Saturday-Art-Club



October School Holiday Activities



Sat 26 Oct 12.30-3.30pm: Guide Dogs experience day. Free

Tues 29 Oct 10.30-11am: TOM-TOTS Fun for under-fives. Free

Tues 29 Oct 2-4pm: TOM-ART Print fun £2 child/£5 family

Wed 30 Oct Dinosaur workshop with Science Oxford £8

Thurs 31 Oct 2-4pm: TOM-ART Letter design £2 child/ £5 family

W: Oxfordshire.gov.uk/museums T: 01993 814106

October half term



Activities
kick off on
28 Oct
2019

are here...

see over for details

Your essential guide to October half term
holiday activities for 5 – 15 year olds.

Book online from 1 October at:

www.cherwell.gov.uk/holidayactivities

Earlybird discount 1-6 October inclusive

For more information contact 01295 221803



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