

Dear Families,

It's been another productive term with lots of wonderful learning opportunities provided by the class teachers. I'll share a snapshot of some of the photos we have taken along the way.

Well done to our Year 6 children who completed their end of Key Stage tests (SATs) recently. We were so proud of their determination and resilience. One of the maths papers was especially tricky, but they worked their hardest to apply all that they had studied. The rest of Upper School so kindly moved around the school like quiet little mice—it was like they weren't even there!

After the holidays, our Year 4 pupils will sit their multiplication check—this is a national test which assesses any further support that the children need with their times tables. The National Curriculum expects that children should know their times tables (up to 12 x 12) by the end of Year 4. The work to learn times tables doesn't start in Year 4—please support children from Year 1 to Year 6 to ensure that they are able to remember their times tables. The Year 4 children are only given 6 seconds per question. Why not have a try for yourself? It's pretty quick!

[https://talkingtimestables.uk/y4\\_ks2\\_mtc\\_practice\\_tests\\_multiplication\\_tables\\_check.php](https://talkingtimestables.uk/y4_ks2_mtc_practice_tests_multiplication_tables_check.php)

Our Year 1 children will also take part in their phonics screening. This is an opportunity for them to show all that they have learned in their Read, Write Inc lessons. They have worked very hard to be able to decode real and 'alien' words and are ready to show off their skills. Here is a useful link giving you some further information:

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/year-1-phonics-screening-check/>

As you read further through this newsletter, you will see some of the key dates/ events coming up this term. We look forward to welcoming families in for sports day and all the other lovely end of term bits which will soon creep up on us. Have a lovely half-term. We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Tuesday 4th June (Monday 3rd is an INSET day for staff).

Mrs G. Sherwin  
*Head of School*

### Other key dates

- 13th June: Class photos
- 8th July: Nursery Sports Day (10.30am)
- 15th July: Lower School Sports Day (1.15pm)
- 16th July: Upper School Sports Day (.15pm)
- 19th July: Reports home
- 22nd July: End of term (1.30pm finish)
- 23rd July: INSET day (school closed to children)
- 4th September: The new school year begins



### Reading

Don't forget that children in Years 1 to 6 can keep up with their reading on MyOn: <https://www.myon.co.uk/login/>

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need the login details.



## **FOOTBALL WINNERS**

You may have seen the news on our school Facebook or Instagram pages that our Year 5 and 6 girls WON the TKAT football competition. The girls won all matches during the regional stages, progressing to the finals at Leyton Orient FC. The team then played in the quarter final, winning 2-1. They moved to the semi-final, winning 2-0 and then on to the final, winning an impressive 3-1. A special mention to Lola B-B for scoring a hat-trick in the final. The girls were a credit to their families and the school: kind, polite, well-mannered and a brilliant team.



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## **OFSTED**

Hopefully, by now, you have had a chance to have a look at our Ofsted report or have heard about how we remain a GOOD school. We're so proud of the children of Dame Janet who continue to achieve above average results in their national tests. Ofsted rightly recognised the good work that the school does to support the children. Here are some of the highlights:

'Pupils from all backgrounds, including those who are most disadvantaged are well known. There is great emphasis towards their care and their emotional well-being is a high priority'.

'Pupils meet the school's high expectations by behaving well and working hard. They participate in lessons with enthusiasm and want to do their best. They are proud to be part of the school and live up to these expectations daily through their behaviour and learning'.

'The school has designed a curriculum that is ambitious for all pupils. It sets out and breaks down the knowledge that pupils should learn and remember. This is particularly strong in English and mathematics'.

'Pupils enjoy coming to school because they see the value in the educational experiences offered to them'.



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We've published next year's key events on our school website. Please make sure all holidays are booked for the school holidays. Please note that this year, term 6 ends on 22nd July (1.30pm).

**Dame Janet Term Dates 2024-2025**

September 2024

- 2nd - INSET
- 3rd - INSET
- 4th - Term 1 starts for children
- 12th - Kent Test (Yr 6 children registered by parents)

October 2024

- 10th - World Mental Health Day (wear yellow, donation)
- 17th - Parents Evening (1.30pm finish for children)
- 22nd - Individual pupil photos
- 25th - Term 1 ends
- 31st - Secondary School Application deadline

November 2024

- 4th - Term 2 starts
- 10th - Remembrance Sunday
- 11th - 15th - Anti-bullying week
- 15th - Children in Need (own clothes, donation)
- (New intake) Open day: 13th Nov
- (New intake) Open day: 21st Nov
- 22nd - Share the Learning (2.15pm)
- TBC - Flu Vaccinations - Years R-6
- 29th - Christmas Trees and hoops up

December 2024

- Through December: Bespoke new entrant tours
- 12th - Year 3 & 4 Songs Around the Tree
- 13th - Year 5 & 6 Songs Around the Tree
- 16th - Nursery Songs Around the Tree
- 17th - Reception Nativity
- 18th - Christmas lunch
- 19th - KS1 Songs Around the Tree
- 19th - Term 2 ends
- 20th INSET

January 2025

- 6th - INSET
- 7th - INSET
- 8th - Term 3 Starts for children
- 15th - Primary School Application deadline
- 24th - Dame Janet and the Victorians Day

February 2025

- 3rd -9th - Children's Mental Health Week
- 11th - Internet Safety Day
- 14th - Share the Learning (2.15pm)
- 14th - Term 3 ends
- 24th - Term 4 starts

March 2025

- 6th - World Book Day (dress up, no donation)
- 13th - Parents Evening (1.30pm finish for children)
- TBC - Red Nose Day (own clothes, donation)

April 2025

- 1st - Easter Bonnet entries into school
- 4th - Term 4 ends for children
- 22nd - Term 5 starts

May 2025

- 5th - Bank Holiday
- 12th - 15th - Year 6 SATS week
- 23rd - Term 5 ends

June 2025

- 2nd - Term 6 starts for children
- 2nd - Year 4 Multiplication checks (two weeks)
- 9th - Phonics Screening Year 1(1 week)
- 12th - Class photos
- 26th - Share the Learning (2.15pm)

July 2025

- 4th - INSET
- 7th - Nursery Sports Day (10.30am)
- 9th - Lower School Sports Day (1.15pm)
- 14th - Upper School Sports Day (1.15pm)
- 17th - Year 6 Graduation & Prom
- 18th - Reports home to parents
- 21st - Term 6 ends for children at 1:30
- 22nd - INSET

CLUBS:

- Term 1: w/c 9th Sept, 16th Sept, 23rd Sept
- Term 2: w/c 11th Nov, 18th Nov, 25th Nov
- Term 3: w/c 13th Jan, 20th Jan, 27th Jan
- Term 4: w/c 3rd Mar, 10th Mar, 17th Mar
- Term 5: w/c 28th Apr, 5th May, 12th May
- Term 6: w/c 9th June, 16th June, 23rd June



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