



Autumn

11th November 2022

Nurturing each and all. Guiding, Trusting, Inspiring and Celebrating

Dear families,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. This week, the stage was erected and preparations for Christmas are underway. This term is looking to be a busy one with many dates already in the calendar. Last week, Charterville and Cotswold visited the Living Rainforest in Newbury to enrich their learning on Brazil. Our Year 6 pupils have undertaken Sports Leader training and they will be leading playtime games very soon. Next week, we will be taking a team of 5 pupils to compete in Boccia (Bowls) at Carterton. We are thrilled that Mrs Edginton is leading Forest School, after Mandy Warwick's retirement and, currently, Year 5 are enjoying outdoor learning. We hope to be able to offer a Forest School Club in the new year.

This morning, classes marked Remembrance Day. On Sunday 13th November, Hope and Lola will be representing the school, laying a wreath at the memorial and reading the Role of Honour. Thank you to everyone who supported our poppy collection in school.

Our value for this term is Thankfulness. *"This is a wonderful day. I've never seen one like this before."* Maya Angelou.

Year 5 Forest School



Dovecote Maths



Year 3 / 4 Rainforest visit



Children in Need

Children in Need this year is Friday 18th November. Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform in exchange for a £1 donation.

Anti-bullying Week

This year, Anti-bullying week is from 14th-18th November. This is an annual UK event which aims to raise awareness of bullying and to highlight ways of preventing and responding to it. This year, the theme is 'Reach Out'. We are encouraging everyone to come to school, on Monday 14th November, in odd socks to show our individuality.

Online Safety

Please be reminded that we will be holding an Internet Safety meeting on Wednesday 16th November at 6pm in the hall and you are all welcome to come. Please can I encourage you to regularly monitor your child's online activities and ensure that they are playing and watching age appropriate material. Please visit our website where you will find information for you to support your child in the Online Safety Information tab under the Information section.

Respect, Honesty, Friendship, Compassion, Thankfulness, Wisdom

Harvest Collection

Thank you to Mrs Ayris, who delivered all the Harvest donations to the Witney Food Bank. These were gratefully received and will be used to support local families in need. Thank you for your generous contributions.

Christmas

We are looking forward to welcoming you to our Christmas performances. Little Minster will be performing *A Miracle in Town*, Key Stage 1 (Dovecote and Wenrisc) will be performing *Christmas with the Aliens* and Key Stage 2 will be performing *Scrooge*. Please see the table below for your class performance time. Each family will receive 2 tickets for the relevant performance. Tickets are limited due to the number of people we can have in the hall. Further details will follow.

Monday 5 th December 9.30am	Monday 5 th December 2pm	Tuesday 6 th December 2pm	Wednesday 7 th December 2pm
Little Minster	Wenrisc/Dovecote	Cotswold/Charterville	Lovell

Christmas lunch and parties will take place on Wednesday 15th December.

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening last week. If you haven't met with your class teacher yet, please notify the office and we will be able to arrange a time.

Best wishes,

Catherine South.

