**Weekly Newsletter – Thursday 12th October 2017**

Dear Parents,

**Keeping our pupils safe and healthy**

We take the safety and health of our pupils very seriously so have decided to add this as an extra item to all of our newsletters. Do let us know if you are aware of any items which should be included.

Please can parents note that they must avoid parking on the zigzag lines outside of school. The lines in Lea Road are now a little faded but nevertheless, please avoid them as this is especially unsafe for children who are crossing the road.

**Year 5/6 Girls’ 7 a side Football League**

***Sonning Common 7-0 Carswell***

On Monday 9th October, the Sonning Common year 5/6 girls’ put in a fantastic performance to record our first ever win in a girls’ league competition. A first half hat trick from Millie B, combined a superb team effort, saw the girls go in 3-0 up at half time. The girls continued their excellent performance into the second half, with Amelia S making some great saves in goal to help us keep a clean sheet. Millie went on to score two more goals to make the score 5-0, before one goal each from Kimberley E and Gemma P made the final score 7-0 to us. A superb performance and effort all round, well done girls!

The team was: Amelia S, Neve B, Alicia B, Kimberley E, Alice K, Gemma P, Millie B, Anna W, August B, Charley L and Harriet M.

***Wantage 2-1 Sonning Common***

On Wednesday 11th October, the year 5/6 girls’ football team made the trip to Wantage for their second game of the league season. To their amazement, the pitch was on a slope and the grass was very long. To their credit, the girls adjusted to this quickly and were unlucky to go in 1-0 down at half time. Not long into the second half, Millie B equalised to make it 1-1. With the game nearing an end, and both teams going for the win, it was Wantage who popped up with the winning goal. Another fantastic effort from the girls, and with 5 games left there is a long way to in the league season.

The team was: Amelia S, Neve B, Alicia B, Gemma P, Kimberley E, Alice K, Millie B, August B and Anna W.

**Pokémon Cards in KS1**

Please could KS1 children not bring Pokémon cards into school as we are finding that it is impacting on learning time. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Cross Country**

It was the first Chiltern Edge meet on Saturday 7th October. Our children ran well and we felt really proud of them all.

Y2 : Ruby E 3rd, Lily G 19th, Chloe E 23rd; Dominic E 11th, George H 15th

Y3 : Eliana M 21st, Isla H 26th; Oliver S 8th, Oliver M 25th

Y4 : Jemimah O 2nd, Sophie W 3rd, Emily E 12th, Violet M 15th; Joshua H 4th

Y5 : Kimberley E 10th, Emma G 16th, Kacie S 26th, Alice B 27th, Nina G 31st; Devon S 6th, Charlie A 7th, Joe A 12th, Freddie H 13th, Ben W 15th

Y6 : Blake M 10th

**Next race: November 4th and December 2nd. All welcome (we would particularly like some Year 1 children!).**

**Grandparents’ Week**

We are looking forward to welcoming our Grandparents into school in week 7. This year for Grandparents' Week we are going to share games that can be played using paper and a pencil. Each afternoon the activities will start at 1.45pm. We have allocated a day to each team in order to even out numbers, although this is not rigid. Please do not feel that they are not allowed to attend on the 'wrong' day. There is no need to book.

Tuesday 17th October - Grasshoppers

Wednesday 18th October - Ladybirds

Thursday 19th October - Wasps

Friday 20th October – Butterflies

**Reading Buses consultation on Caversham bus routes**

Reading buses are proposing changes to the bus routes serving Sonning Common and Caversham. The following link provides details of the plans and an opportunity to provide feedback as part of the consultation process.

<http://www.reading-buses.co.uk/articles/consultation-on-caversham-routes/>

**Diary Dates**

Please see below dates for your diary up to the end of December 2017.

**Your Head teacher**

Mr Chris Hirst

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (*Amendments and new dates in italics*)**

**OCTOBER 2017**

Friday 13th Year 3 Zoolab

 ***Science Oxford giving plant talk to Years 3&4***

Tuesday 16th  to Fri 20th 2pm Grandparents Week

Thursday 19th 4:15pm – 5:45pm KS1 Disco

 6pm – 7:30pm KS2 Disco

Friday 20th 3:15pm End of Term 1

**Monday 30th Start of Term 2**

**NOVEMBER 2017**

Friday 3rd Planetarium for years 1, 2, & 6

Saturday 4th 10am Cross Country

Wednesday 8th 3:15pm – 6pm Family photos – 15min appointments

Wednesday 15th Young Shakespeare for Years 5 & 6

Friday 17th Children In Need

Wednesday 22nd 3:15pm Christmas Book Fair

Thursday 23rd 3:15pm Christmas Book Fair

Friday 24th 3:15pm Christmas Book Fair

 Non Uniform Day

Saturday 25th 12noon – 3pm Christmas Fair

Thursday 30th Pantomime for the whole school

**DECEMBER 2017**

Friday 1stChristingle for KS1

Saturday 2nd 10am Cross Country

Tuesday 5th Victorian Christmas – Year 5

Thursday 7th 4:30 – 7:30pm Parent Consultations

Friday 8th INSET DAY – Parent Consultations 8am – 1pm

Monday 11th Nativity Dress Rehearsal

Tuesday 12th 2pm Years 1 & 2 Nativity Play for parents

Wednesday 13th 9:30am Years 1 & 2 Nativity Play for parents

Thursday 14th 2:30pm Kites sing to parents

 6 – 7pm Carol Concert in the KS2 playground

Friday 15th Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 19th Term 2 ends at 1:15pm