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Weekly Newsletter 20th December 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Christmas Carol Concert

A big thank you to all children, parents and teachers who supported the Christmas Carol Concert yesterday evening. It was a magical event.

Our collection for Shelter Box raised £243.53. Thank you for your generosity.

Headteacher's Awards

Kites Isaac N, Olivia W, Isaac C and Marlow P.

Year 1 Evie C, Tristan B-M, Billy W, Lana H, Saif H-G and Rudi D-C.

Year 2 Ariel D, Wilfie Y, Ella W, Anya C, Sophie B and Alexis S.

Year 3 Finn W, William C, Darragh F, Nanaka S, Tilly H and Harvey B.

Year 4 Isla P, Oliver J, Poppy C, Noah B, Oscar P and Bella B-L.

Year 5 Sebastian A, Hana R, Toby D, Georgie Q, Jonah W and Noah S.

Year 6 Arthur S, Theo T, Jake P, Jack T, Zac N and Ben L.

December's Big Thank You

Congratulations to Mr Burrows for winning December's Big Thank You!

Mr Burrows was nominated by many members of staff for his hard work with both the Christmas video and advertising the school as well as for always being friendly and kind.

Thank you to One Stop for their kind donation.

Terracycle

Don't forget that we are still recycling lots of rubbish.

Pringle tubes – not the plastic cap which can be recycled through your kerbside collection.

Toothpaste waste.

We now desperately need boxes – size 60cmx60cmx50cm. Please hand into the school office if you have any spare.

Interhouse competition Term 2

This term the challenge was a Christmas quiz. In KS2 they were answering questions about Christmas all over the world and in KS1 they were guessing the Christmas items from zoomed in images. This is how each house did:

- Air earned the most points, gaining them 350 team points overall
- Water were hot on their heels, gaining them 310 team points overall
- Fire were not far behind them, gaining 270 team points overall
- Earth managed a final total of 220 team points overall

Sonning Common Library

We are to say goodbye to Rosemary Dunstan, who will be retiring from her position as librarian after 20 years. We are pleased that she will continue to be involved in school, running our school Book Club and leading reading groups in Years 5 and 6.

Looking for something to do in January, before the schools go back? Look no further....

There will be a Lego MasterBuilders session in the library at 10am on Wednesday 3rd January. The theme is 'An Arctic Adventure', and it will end at 11.30am – so that's that morning sorted! Tickets cost £10 and MUST be paid for in advance, preferably by cash in the library before Christmas. If you're too busy to think of anything after Christmas just yet, tickets can also be booked and paid for online

through: www.friendsofsonningcommonlibrary.org.uk

Contact the library for more information.

The staff and I wish you all a Happy Christmas and a safe and healthy New Year.

We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 8th January 2024.

Your headteacher

Mr Chris Hirst

Dates for your Diary

January 2024	
Monday 8 th	First day of Term 3
Tuesday 16 th	Year 3 Ancient Egypt Day
Thursday 18 th	Science Oxford Workshop (Kites & Y6)
Friday 19 th	Science Oxford Workshop (Y2 & Y6)
Saturday 20 th	Cross Country 10am Oratory Prep Winter Dash
Monday 22 nd	Young Voices Choir Trip
Wednesday 24 th	Year 3 Author Workshop
Tuesday 30 th	Eco Council visit to Ardley Waster Recycling Centre
Wednesday 31 st	Year 5 Ancient Greek Day

Space to learn Space to grow
Space to be inspired

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