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Weekly Newsletter 7th June 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy News

Headteacher's Award for this week is Edith W (Year 6).

Headteacher's special mention for outstanding commitment to school – Isaac C (Kites).

Kites have loved Theme Week, learning all about jobs, focusing on who we call in an emergency! They have also built a gigantic fire engine to put out all the 'fires'.

Stars of the Week are Ffion W and Vinnie F.

Year 1 have enjoyed interviewing lots of members of staff and finding out all about the jobs they do with some brilliant questions!

Stars of the Week are Brody D and Sanaya G.

Year 2 have had a fantastic Theme Week. We have created our own superheroes and really enjoyed the visits from parents to share their exciting careers with us.

Stars of the week are Mia H and Taraneh A-G.

Year 3 loved exploring a range of careers this week. We have looked at structural engineering; civil engineering; becoming a commercial pilot; becoming a firefighter; how to be a museum curator; being an archaeologist and what it takes to become a world-renowned musician. Thank you Dr Jay, Rhianna, Dani and Cara for coming to visit us!

Stars of the Week are Ava H and Sam M.

Year 4 We have LOVED theme week and learning about all the different careers. We have had visits from musicians, pilots, firefighters and archaeologists, so much fun!

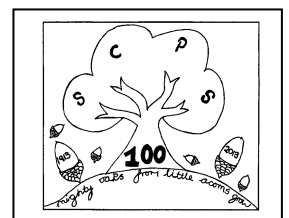
Stars of the Week are Andy B and Albie H.

Year 5 enjoyed the activities of Theme Week – they learned lots about different jobs and careers.

Star of the Week are Sienna D and Lexy S.

Year 6 have learned about a variety of jobs: careers with animals, sports manager, music performers, computer programmers, graphic designers, aircraft engineer and mechanic.

Stars of the Week are Jack T (awarded by Dr Loader), Bell B and Eva M (awarded by Mr Andrews)



Bell-boating

On Friday 24th May a team of adults and children represented school for an evening of bell-boating on the Thames. Both the adults' team and the Year 5/6 team were victorious, returning the trophy to the cabinet at school for another year! Well done all!

Year 5: Louie B, Felix C, Toby T, Toby D, Georgie Q

Year 6: Evie Q, Elsie D, Edith W

Adults: Mrs Lowe and Mr Foley, plus parents Mr Reid, Mr Bird and Mrs Davis

Quad Kids

On Thursday our KS2 Quad Kids teams ventured to Didcot for the South Oxfordshire Final of the Quad Kids competition, hoping to defend our titles from last year. Find out how we got on by clicking this link:

<https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/sport/2024/06/06/ks2-quad-kids-so...fordshire-finals/>

Sport in Mind challenge results

Before half term, school council launched the walking challenge and the active bingo. The winners of each challenge were revealed in the whole school assembly on Monday.

Active challenge prize winners were: Rafael F and Elliana D, both from Year 3.

The winners for the Walking challenge in KS1 were Miss Snowden's class and in KS2 it was Mrs Ash's class.

Both classes walked over 74,000m throughout the week which is over 45 miles!

Inter-house results from Term 5

Each year group created some excellent pieces of art using geometric shapes. Some were artier, and some were more mathematical, but all winners listed below created something excellent!

Year 1: 1st Jonas, Rudi C and Ruken; 2nd Bella, Nelly, Alex, Brody, Joseph and Rudi DC; 3rd Jared, Oliver, Zack, Grace and Albie; 4th Zoe, Ivy and Evie F.

Year 2: 1st Sophie W and Sam W; 2nd Ocean, Jesse and Toby J; 3rd Tegan, Phoebe, Ariel and Anya; 4th Ellie, Evie, Joey and Toby T.

Year 3: 1st Rafael, Sam T, Gracie, Ava and Harlow; 2nd Elliana, Phoebe D, Leo, Georgie and Vivienne; 3rd Albie, Darragh, Jacob, Jack D, Jack S and Sam A; 4th Nia, India, Ethan, Casper and Zac W.

Year 4: 1st Oliver, River, James, Eliza, Jenson and Freya; 2nd Ben, Anson, Harry and Keegan; 3rd Ella, Anaya, Emma, Elsie and Lyla; 4th Isabella, Claudia, Jaxon, Olivia and Issy.

Year 5: 1st Water; 2nd Fire; 3rd Earth and 4th Air

Year 6: 1st Maria; 2nd Olivia, Sophie and Elsie; 3rd Ptolemy; 4th Xavi, Max L and Riley.

The overall points are as follows:

Water: 300

Air: 290

Fire: 270

Earth: 240

The final inter-house competition of the year is Sports Day. We are looking forward to seeing many of you there!

Climate Action Count Down

https://letsgozero.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Climate_Action_Countdown_Calendar-3.pdf

As this is running until 5th July, we will be extending the Upcycling Competition throughout this period now ending on the 5th July. All current entries will be judged and prizes awarded to be fair to contributors submitting their entries on time.

Eco-council – half term Upcycling Competition

We are encouraging all pupils to take part in an upcycling competition over the half-term break.

The idea is to make either something that is functional or decorative from rubbish that you would ordinarily throw away. Here's some ideas: [65+ Upcycling Projects for Kids \(Super Fun Craft Ideas!\) - Upcycle My Stuff](#)

The Eco-council members will judge the competition and there will be prizes for the winners in each category. The categories are Kites, Year 1 and 2, Year 3 and 4, Year 5 and 6. There will be prizes for both functionality and looks.

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Please do not bring your entry into school but upload a picture of your entry to:

<https://photocomp.sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/>

Summer Fair – Saturday 29th June 12-3pm

We have our Summer Fair coming up soon and this year our theme is the Olympics. We will have lots of exciting activities with a sporty twist and our classic games, plus many stalls from local charities. If you would like a stall on the day, please contact us on pta@sonning-common.oxon.sch.uk

We will need volunteers from each year group to help us set up the fair from 10am, run the games and help us put everything away at the end. If you can spend some time that day helping us, please let your year rep know or email us on pta@sonning-common.oxon.sch.uk

We are particularly looking for someone to lead the BBQ team on the day. We will provide all the equipment and food. If you have an interest in helping us with this, please email pta@sonning-common.oxon.sch.uk

Sonning Common 10k

We are delighted to announce that entries for the second Sonning Common 10k on Sunday 6th October are now open! You can enter by visiting: www.soco10k.co.uk.

If you are not participating in the event but are willing to help on the day, we would be very grateful to hear from you. Please email: sonningcommon10k@gmail.com.

Young Climate Warriors

Keep up to date with their weekly challenges via their website: <https://www.youngclimatewarriors.org/>

Community Noticeboard

Remember to look at the [Community Noticeboard](#) for events and activities that may be of interest.

Your headteacher

Mr Chris Hirst

Dates for your Diary

June 2024	
Tuesday 11 th	Year 6 Watersports Day (6RS/MF)
Wednesday 12 th	Year 6 Watersports Day (6DF)
Wednesday 12 th	Kites eye screening
Thursday 13 th	Whole School Photo
Wed 19 th – Fri 21 st	Year 4 Ufton Court residential trip
Wednesday 19 th	New Kites Induction Meeting 2-3pm
Thursday 20 th	New Kites Induction Meeting 2-3pm
Friday 21 st	Year 2 Cotswold Wildlife Park Trip
Tuesday 25 th	Sports Day (KS2 am, KS1 pm)
Friday 28 th	Non-Uniform Day
Saturday 29 th	Summer Fair 12 – 3pm
July 2024	
Wed 3 rd – Fri 5 th	Scholastic Book Fair KS2 playground at 3.20pm – Buy 1 Get 1 Free!
Thursday 4 th	Reserve Sports Day (KS2 am, KS1 pm)
Wednesday 10 th	Highdown School Year 5 Day
Friday 12 th	INSET Day – No children in school
Thursday 18 th	Year 6 Performance Evening & Leavers' Ceremony
Tuesday 23 rd	Kites singing to parents 2.45pm

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