



Sonning Common Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back

We are pleased to see everyone back looking so happy and healthy and we are working hard to settle children quickly into their new classes. Teachers and PTA have planned some great events and activities for the year ahead, which we look forward to telling you more about in the coming weeks.

Happy News and Stars of the Week

Kites have had a fantastic first few days getting to know each other at school. They have particularly enjoyed making first day at school handprints and playing parachute games!

Year 1 have loved getting messy with creating handprints using paint.

Stars of the Week are Ffion W and Quint O-R.

Year 2 have had a fantastic start. They have been thinking about what they would like to achieve this year and roleplaying how to be a good friend.

Stars of the week are Logan C and Eviee F.

Year 3 have settled back into school life nicely, and particularly enjoyed learning how to draw a toucan to start off our Rainforests topic.

Stars of the Week are Sophie W and Ariel D.

Year 4 have really enjoyed starting the year with a design and technology project making their own healthy flapjack.

Stars of the Week are Zachary H and Theo G.

Year 5 have settled back into school really well this week, impressing their new teachers with their enthusiasm and hard work!

Stars of the Week are Zac E and Ben N.

Year 6 have made an excellent start to the new academic year. They have come back raring to go!

Stars of the Week are Olivia Z and Georgie G.

PE uniform stock issues

Earth Uniform have assured us that all sizes in PE t-shirts and hoodies should be available to order by the end of next week.

We have a limited quantity of new branded uniform items to purchase from the school office. ease pay on the MCAS app and collect from the school office.

Volunteers

We have been working hard over the holidays to maintain and, in places, improve aspects of our school grounds. We are fortunate enough to have interesting, low-maintenance and eco-friendly grounds. We know we could do more to improve our school grounds, if we are able to have a few more people involved.

We are looking for a group of volunteers who would be able to be involved in school ground maintenance projects on a regular basis (monthly). The types of maintenance tasks we need assistance with are:

- Ongoing weeding and pruning
- Planting trees, shrubs and bulbs
- Looking after Christmas trees and the fruit orchard
- Managing brambles, mile a day track, and ivy at forest camp.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the school office.

Community Noticeboard

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

New – Girls' football free taster session at Caversham AFC

Rachel Salmons
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

SEPTEMBER	
Mon 9 th to Thurs 12 th	Junior Active Leaders course
Monday 9 th	5.30pm Kites curriculum sharing meeting
Tuesday 10 th	4.30pm Year 6 curriculum sharing meeting 6pm Year 2 curriculum sharing meeting
Wednesday 11 th	5.30pm Year 3 curriculum sharing meeting
Thursday 12 th	5.30pm Year 1 curriculum sharing meeting
Saturday 14 th	Cross Country at Greys Court, Years 1 to 6, races start at 9am
Friday 27 th	INSET day – children not in school
OCTOBER	
Tuesday 1 st	Open afternoon
Sunday 6 th	Sonning Common 10K run
Saturday 12 th	Cross Country at MECE, Years 1 to 6, races start at 10am
Thursday 17 th	Year 6 French performance evening
Thursday 24 th	Open morning PTA children's disco after school – details to follow
Friday 25 th	Last day of Term 1
Mon 28 th – Fri 1 st Nov	Half Term