



Sonning Common Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter 23rd May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy News

Kites had a great time on their trip to Bucklebury Farm. They fed the animals, played in the park and went on a tractor ride.

Star of the week is Sully G.

Year 1 Miss Bartlett's class loved their trip to Odds Farm Park this week! Miss Snowden's class have enjoyed exploring fractions and cutting cakes in half!

Star of the week is Lyra P.

Year 2 loved making smoothies for DT day. They used measuring skills to make a delicious berry concoction.

Stars of the week are Reuben C and Evie C.

Year 3 have been hard at work writing speeches and improving their presentation skills. They all delivered their speeches brilliantly today!

Stars of the week are Leo C and Sophie W.

Year 4 have made some bright fabric samples inspired by the rainforest. Watch out the design world!

Stars of the week are Vivienne R-H and Casper T.

Year 5 loved painting their Mayan masks and testing the solubility of different materials.

Stars of the week are Lili F and Krisan J.

Year 6 have had a lovely week, both working hard and celebrating the achievements of this term.

They have enjoyed a virtual reality experience on the environment, some themed maths creating and budgeting for their own theme park designs and writing in formal and informal styles. We rounded the week off with some extra time outside in recognition of all their hard work.

Stars of the week are Teddy C and William A.

Save Your Pool

Last Friday's lolly sale raised £143 towards the pool and will be repeated again soon. Thank you to those who have offered to deliver leaflets around the local area over half-term. On our Crowdfunder site, there have been some generous donations and lots of kind, encouraging comments from past and current users of the pool. Progress will be announced regularly on social media channels – please continue to share as widely as you can.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/save-your-pool>

SCPS Explained

Last week, Year 6 completed their SATs. They had a Grammar and Punctuation Paper, plus a spelling test on Monday. On Tuesday, they completed a reading comprehension. On Wednesday, they had an Arithmetic paper AND a problem-solving paper. Thursday was a final problem-solving paper. Results are back around 5th July and will be included in the end-of-year reports.

May's Big Thank You

This month's recipient is Dave Foley who was nominated for leading SATs and being a great team member.

Y5/6 Girls' Football Match v Stephen Freeman (away):

Last Monday we travelled to Didcot for our final match of the league season - could we avoid defeat and claim the title? Read on below:

<https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/sport/2025/05/13/y5-6-girls-footb...3-sonning-common/>

KS2 Quad Kids Local Round at MECE:

On Tuesday we began our annual Quad Kids tournament with a trip to MECE. Read below to find out if we qualified for the South Oxfordshire Final:

<https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/sport/2025/05/20/ks2-quad-kids-local-round/>

Y5/6 Girls' Football - Oxfordshire Football Festival Final:

On Thursday we travelled to the home of Oxford City FC aiming to be county champions. Read below for the girls' final football adventure of the school year:

<https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/sport/2025/05/22/y5-6-girls-footb...1-festival-final/>

Achievements

Well done to Camilla B who is the new voice of Norrie the Mouse in Hey Duggee!

Well done to the Year 2 boys who are part of the under 7s team at Rotherfield FC – they won a football tournament at the weekend beating the other Rotherfield FC team in the final!

MCAS Balances

Please ensure that any outstanding balances for school dinners, breakfast club and after school club are cleared on your child's account.

Unlock Your Child's Confidence with LAMDA at Sonning Common Primary!

Starting this September, afternoon LAMDA lessons will be offered at Sonning Common Primary School –these drama lessons are a fantastic way for children to build confidence, improve communication skills, and express themselves creatively. Small group classes will be led by Katie Girdler, who has over 18 years of experience teaching Drama and LAMDA to children. To learn more or sign up, contact Katie directly at Katie.lamda@outlook.com . Further information is available on the community noticeboard or from the school office. <https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/community/community-noticeboard/>

PTA News

EasyFundraising

Raise money for School when you shop online! Over 8,000 brands will donate part of your spend when you shop from the Easyfundraising web site or app. For example, Tesco will donate 1% of your weekly online shop.

1. Go to easyfundraising.org.uk
2. Search for a cause - **Sonning Common Primary School**
3. Sign up to create your profile

Space to learn, grow and be inspired

www.sonningcommonprimary.co.uk

4. Download the browser extension called Donation Reminder. It will pop up on every retail site where a donation is available, so you don't have to go to Easyfundraising first.
5. Track your donation.

Once a quarter School will receive the donated money from Easyfundraising. Easy!!

Summer Fair

We are pleased to announce that our Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 28th June 12-3pm. There will be lots to enjoy and we hope you can join us on the day. We will be hosting many games and activities, but we will also be joined by local companies and charities. If you have or know a company or charity that would like to host a stall at our Summer Fair, please get in touch with us on pta@sonning-common.oxon.sch.uk To be able to hold the Summer Fair as best we can, we need plenty of volunteers to help us set up before and help on each stall during the fair. Without enough help we may not be able to hold all the activities we'd like to. We would be very grateful if you could find some time to help us with the Summer Fair by clicking the link below and filling out the form. <https://forms.gle/rFoexsx7vb1R7PY7>

Community Noticeboard

Remember to look at the [Community Noticeboard](#) for local events and activities.

Rachel Salmons
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

MAY 2025	
Mon 26 th to Fri 30 th	Half Term
JUNE 2025	
Monday 2 nd	First day of Term 6
Sunday 8 th	On Your Bike
Mon 9 th to Fri 13 th	Year 6 at Woodlands
Tuesday 17 th	Year 2 visit to Cotswold Wildlife Park
Thursday 19 th	Year 4 cake sale
Tuesday 24 th	Sports Day (KS2 9.30am, KS1 1.30pm)
Thursday 26 th	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 27 th	Non-uniform Day
Saturday 28 th	PTA Summer Fair
JULY 2025	
Tuesday 1 st	New Kites Induction Session 2 – 3pm
Thursday 3 rd	New Kites Induction Session 10 – 11am
Friday 4 th	INSET day – no children in school
Wednesday 16 th	Year 6 Performances at 1.45pm & 6.30pm
Thursday 17 th	Year 2 Seaside Workshop in school
Thursday 17 th	Year 6 Water Sports Day, Mr Witcomb's class
Thursday 17 th	Kites singing to parents 2.45pm
Friday 18 th	Year 6 Water Sports Day, Mr Foley's class
Tuesday 22 nd	Last day of Term 6, school finishes at 1.15pm

Link to website calendar for further dates: <https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/parents/calendar/>