



Sonning Common Primary School

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Weekly Newsletter 14th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy News and Stars of the Week

Kites have had a lovely week celebrating Remembrance, finding out about the meaning of poppies. On Friday we had a spot-tastic day, learning all about Pudsey and Children in Need. We even wrote our own Pudsey stories.

Star of the week is Bonnie F.

Year 1 had a fabulous day on Tuesday playing with lots of different toys from the past and making toys of their own.

Star of the week is Isla H-J.

Year 2 have had fun creating Bog Baby from clay and using paint to make him come to life!

Star of the week is Lily W.

Year 3 have made some creative stockings for our Christmas display. We are very excited to show them off at the Christmas fair!

Stars of the week are Jasper B and Ivy L.

Year 4 have enjoyed finding out what happens to the Iron Man after he is buried in a pit and learning the notes for Jingle Bells on the Glockenspiels.

Stars of the week are Flavia M and Phoebe H.

Year 5 had a brilliant time at the Milestones Museum!

Stars of the week will be awarded next week.

Year 6 have written some fantastic leaflets all about Woodlands, enjoyed playing hand chimes with Mr Marples and met their Year 1 buddies!

Stars of the week are Isla P and Eliza G.

Children in Need

Thank you for helping us to raise an impressive £407.93 today!

World Kindness Day

Yesterday we celebrated World Kindness Day with a special assembly run by Mr Spencer. During this assembly, he reminded the children of the importance of being kind to everyone, regardless of their interests, looks or beliefs. All classes read a book relating to kindness and diversity and discussed ways in which we can show kindness in everyday life. Everyone drew a picture which will be used to create a Kindness display in school.

After school club need your help!

ASC need lots of empty cereal boxes for a craft project. Please either bring to reception or hand to your child's teacher. Thank you!

Cross Country

Last Saturday (8th November) a team of runners attended the cross country races at MECE. They represented the school brilliantly, showing great determination and sportsmanship. Well done to all.

Kites: Harriet S 4th (running in the Y1 race!)

Year 1: Thomas G 7th

Year 2: Isaac C 1st

Year 3: Maxime 2nd

Year 4: Laurence H 2nd, Myles S 5th; Mhairi R 5th, Tegan B 9th

Next race: Saturday 6th December. All welcome!

Gymnastic success

We are delighted by the recent successes of Samuel W in Y4, who qualified for the Men's Artistic Gymnastics Nationals after placing first in his age group at the South National Gradings Qualifier in Portsmouth. In half term, Samuel represented the South Region at the Nationals in Telford, Samuel and his team achieved an impressive bronze medal, placing third in England. Individually, Samuel finished 5th nationally and has been invited to a three-day training camp at Lilleshall, home of British Gymnastics. We are very proud of Samuel, who has shown amazing commitment to his training.

Christmas Trees for sale

We are once again selling high quality Christmas trees at competitive prices:

5-6 ft - £37

6-7 ft - £47

2-3 ft pot grown at school, £20

Send your order to pta@sonning-common.oxon.sch.uk by **MONDAY 24TH NOVEMBER**. You will be sent details of how to make payment.

Tree collections at school 5th December 4pm to 5pm or 6th December 10am to 11am

PTA Christmas Fair Saturday 29th November 12 noon - 3pm.

Volunteers

In order for us to be able to hold the Christmas Fair we need YOU! We rely on volunteers to help us set up before and help on the day. If you could find some time to join in the fun, please fill in this form <https://forms.gle/Fi1X3nnrBkjuVxHA>

Santa

Tickets to visit Santa's Grotto are available to purchase on MCAS now. Tickets are £3 per child.

Prepayment

Tokens can be used on stalls instead of cash this year. 10 tokens for £5 are available to purchase on MCAS now. These will be available for you to collect at the fair entrance. Additional tokens (in £5 blocks) can also be purchased at the fair.

Christmas Orders

The Class Fundraising shop will be open again for orders from 21st November until 1st December. Orders cannot be placed after 1st December. <https://shop.classfundraising.co.uk/>

Community Noticeboard

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

Rachel Salmons
Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

NOVEMBER 2025	
Mon 17 th to Fri 21 st	KS1 Road Safety Week
Tuesday 18 th	Year 3 visit from a Rabbi
Tuesday 25 th	Christingle
Wed 26 th to Fri 28 th	Scholastic Book Fair
Thursday 27 th	Year 5/6 Girls' Football Tournament at Moulsoford Prep
Friday 28 th	Non-Uniform Day
Saturday 29 th	Christmas Fair
DECEMBER	
Tuesday 2 nd	Parent Consultations, 4-5pm in person, 5.30-7pm online
Thursday 4 th	Open Morning 9.30am to 11am
Thursday 4 th	Year 5/6 Boys' Football Tournament at Moulsoford Prep
Thursday 4 th	Parent Consultations, 4-5pm in person, 5.30-7pm online
Saturday 6 th	Cross Country at MECE 10am
Thursday 11 th	Gift Room – details to follow
Friday 12 th	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 15 th	Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance pm (exact timings TBC)
Tuesday 16 th	Years 1 & 2 Christmas performance am (exact timings TBC)
Wednesday 17 th	Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 17 th	Carol Concert 6pm
Friday 19 th	Last day of Term 2, school finishes at 1.15pm

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