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Weekly Newsletter 19th June 2026

Happy News and Stars of the Week

Kites have had a smashing time completing an egg drop challenge!

Star of the week is Kasper L-O.

Year 1 have performed their 'Hatching' poem to the Kites and did a brilliant job!

Star of the week is Willow O R.

Year 2 have been using the ChompSaw this week to create a standing dinosaur. They created a habitat to match what their dinosaur needs.

Stars of the week are the whole class!

Year 3 have enjoyed practising for Sports Day and are very proud that their plant sale raised over £76!

Stars of the week are Bella N and Ronnie W.

Year 4 have thoroughly enjoyed themselves on their residential at Ufton Court.

Year 5 have been making some stop-motion animations in Computing.

Stars of the week are Sam M and Ethan B.

Year 6 have been writing letters to Year 5, sharing memories, advice and encouragement.

Stars of the week are Josh G and Ben H.

SCPS explained

Reports will be handed out on Friday 3rd July. This year we are trialling also making them available to you via MCAS and you will be sent instructions on how to access them nearer the time.

This is part of our commitment to improving communication with parents and we will be interested to hear your views.

OPAL

Thank you for the on-going donations. In next week's heat, we will make sure that our mud kitchen has plenty of water and we have purchased a couple of additional water sprays to keep everyone cool.

KS2 Quad Kids: South Oxfordshire Final

On Thursday we took one Y3 team and two Y5/6 teams to Didcot for the South Oxfordshire Final of the outdoor athletics season. Find out how we did here:

<https://sonningcommonprimary.co.uk/sport/2026/06/18/ks2-quad-kids-so...y-18th-june-2026/>

Summer Fair 27th June, 12pm to 3pm

We are trying to minimise the amount of cash at the fair so we will be using tokens as we did for the Christmas Fair to pay for certain stalls. These can be purchased now on MCAS and then picked up at the fair or bought on the day. £5 for a sheet of 10 tokens.

This year's competition is to PAINT A PEBBLE. We will then use these to create a "pebble beach" at the fair. Bring them into school (name and class on the back) in the week leading up to the fair or the day of the fair itself. Prizes for the best ones in each year group. They will be displayed for all to see at the Fair.

Volunteers sign up form: <https://forms.gle/pfq6UG7xEzxVMGA7>

Summer Fair timings

12.15pm - Maypole Dancing, first Kites and then Year 1

1pm-1.30pm Live music from Within the Blood

1.45pm - 2pm Choir and Glee

2pm-2.30pm Live music from Within the Blood

2.30pm-2.45pm Mrs Duncan's dancing group

2.45pm Raffle

Friday 26th June is a non-uniform day for the children. On this day, we ask that you bring in a donation for the Summer Fair of either:

Bottle for the adult's tombola

A jam jar filled with sweets or little toys for the children's tombola

Preloved toys for our sale

Suitable donations for our raffle

Colour Run - New Date & Time

Please note our Colour Run will now take place after school at 3.30pm on Friday 10th July. Tickets are available to purchase on MCAS. If you are able to help throw paint at the children and adults as they run around, please email us at pta@sonning-common.oxon.sch.uk

KS2 dinners

We are proud to have had Kites Kitchen as our school dinner provider since 2012. Kites Kitchen shares our commitment to ensuring our pupils have access to tasty and nutritious lunches that contribute to their wellbeing and concentration. Following a benchmarking exercise against local primary schools, from September 2026 the price of our school dinners for KS2 children will be increasing to £2.75 per meal. This will allow us to continue to provide a varied menu catering for diverse tastes and dietary needs that prioritises the use of high quality, fresh ingredients. We also remain committed to on the day lunch choices for children, with no need for parents to order meals in advance. We do request that school dinner balances are kept topped up and do not fall into arrears to prevent the accrual of large debts.

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

| JUNE | |
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| Tues 23 rd | Ice lolly sale 3.20pm, £1 each cash only |
| Wed 24 th to Fri 26 th | Scholastic Book Fair |
| Friday 26 th | Non-uniform day, please bring in a Summer Fair donation |
| Saturday 27 th | Summer Fair 12pm to 3pm |
| Sunday 28 th | Sonning Common Village Day |
| JULY | |
| Wednesday 1st | Sports Day, KS1 & KS2 in the morning – New date |
| Wednesday 1 st | New Kites induction session 2-3pm |
| Friday 3 rd | New Kites induction session 10-11am |
| Tuesday 7 th | Year 2 Seaside Day (£19) |
| Thursday 9 th | Choir at Shiplake College |
| Friday 10 th | PTA Colour Run, 3.30pm |
| Monday 13 th | Piano Concert 2.15pm |
| Tuesday 14 th | Year 6 Performance to parents 1.45pm & 6.30pm, followed by the Year 6 Leavers' Ceremony |
| Friday 17 th | Last day of Term, school finishes at 1.15pm |

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

OPAL Wish List

- Outdoor rugs
- Cushions – all types: large or small, outdoor ones or even sofa cushions
- Blankets
- Small world toys, e.g. cars, Playmobil, small figures, dinosaurs, animals
- Bubble wands, bubble mixture
- Clothing which would be suitable for dressing up, e.g. hats, scarves, waistcoats, dinner jackets, leather jackets, builder's hardhats, lab coats - anything unusual!
- Suitcases on wheels
- Pegs
- Chalk
- Musical instruments like tambourines, small drums, maracas, bells, ukeleles
- Brooms and dustpan and brushes
- Yoga mats or camping roll mats