



Newsletter - Date of Issue 3rd November 2017

School News

Bonfire and Bangers Evening: tickets are still available for our bonfire and bangers evening from 5.00pm to 6.30pm. We hope the families have lots of fun this evening but please remember to read the safety notice in this newsletter.



School Photographs: The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 7 November for the children's individual school photographs. If you wish your child to have their photograph taken with their sibling who is NOT in school there will be some slots available to do so from 8:00 am but these MUST be booked via the office. Unlimited slots will be available from 3:15pm which do not need to be pre-booked. In school sibling photographs will be taken throughout the day.



Remembrance Day: Wristbands, reflectors, bracelets, snap bands and traditional poppies available from Monday in the school office.



Grendon Residential meetings for parents
Year 4 parents on **Thursday 9 November at 3:30pm**
in Mrs Foreman's classroom and Year 5 parents
on **Friday 10 November at 3:30pm** in
Mrs Foreman's classroom.



Healthy lunch boxes

Parents and children will notice our new stickers given for a healthy lunch box. Please look out for them next week as we encourage children to make healthy food choices. Thank you for your support.



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Nursery

Is your child 3 years old before 31 December 2017? Now is the time to check if you are eligible for 30 hours childcare. All 3 year olds children receive 15 hours childcare per week (term time).

Children of working parents may be eligible for an additional 15 hours. Visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk now to find out if this applies to you. If you don't apply before 31 December you will have to wait until April 2018 to take up your additional hours. If you are already benefiting from the 30 hours don't forget to re-validate your eligibility every 3 months via your online childcare service account.

Nursery Open Morning Thursday 30th November from 10.00am – 11.00am

Looking for a Nursery place for your 3 year old? Join us for some festive fun and see how we can give your child the best start on their learning journey.

We provide an engaging, stimulating and nurturing environment for your child to develop their full potential in readiness for their move into Reception. Our children experience a wide variety of activities to support all their learning and emotional needs with the support of a caring teacher led staff. Staff will be available to discuss any questions or requirements you may have.



Story Bash is back at Banbury Museum.

Saturday 11 November 2017, 10am – 5pm.

Story Bash day is the museum's biggest event of the year. It is a simply brilliant day celebrating the wonderful stories of Banbury and bringing the museum collections to life. Live music, crafts, civil war displays and marching, face painting, Tooley's boatyard tours and ... All Story Bash activities are FREE! Donations very welcome.

Please note admission charges still apply for entry into our Special Exhibition 'Brick Wonders'. Come along to your local museum and have a super day out.

www.banburymuseum/story-bash

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BRICK WONDERS
AT BANBURY MUSEUM

HAWKINS
TRUSTED IN CONSTRUCTION

The Wonders of the World in LEGO bricks

16 September
18 November 2017

Stay safe on Bonfire Evening

- Always stay behind the barrier and keep a safe distance from the bonfire.
- Use Sparklers in the special Sparkler Zone & put used sparklers in the marked bins.
- Children under 5 years old cannot handle the sparklers and older children will need to be supervised by an adult.
- Always hold the sparkler at arm's length while another person lights it for you
- Wear gloves while holding the sparkler! Remember – safety first.

Snack at break-time

Please remember the only snack the children are allowed to have at break-time is fruit. Thank you for your support with our healthy eating programme.

Bluecoat Vouchers for school uniform

The vouchers will not be issued after 1 January 2018. Parents can still apply for vouchers through the school office until 31 December 2017 and these vouchers will be valid until 31 March 2018.

Administering Medication in School

Parents are reminded to bring medication for their children to the school office so that that it can be stored safely. Parents will then be asked to complete a form so that the school can administer the medication. Please note that only prescribed medication can be administered to children at school.

Food donated from Tesco

We are also pleased to distribute free food when available from Tesco Extra on most Thursdays from the Year 3 classroom (Mr McLeod) during term-time. Please note that the school does not take any responsibility for this food or any allergic reactions when the food has been consumed.

School Policies

If you wish to review a school policy, they are available on the school website: www.orchard-fields.oxon.sch.uk and on request from the school office.

Dates for your Diary

Event	Date
Individual photos	Tuesday 7 th November
Netball – Banbury Academy (Years 5 and 6)	Thursday 9 th November – 9.45am – 12.15pm
Children singing for children concert performance at St Marys church	Thursday 9 th November – 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Anti-Bullying Week	Monday 13 th November – Friday 17 th November
Key Stage 2 Christmas Rehearsal	Wednesday 8 th November
Children singing for children concert performance at St Mary's Church	Thursday 9 th November – 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Year 4 Grendon Meeting	Friday 9 th November - 3.30pm