



# Enstone Primary School Newsletter

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24 October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**HALLOWE'EN COSTUMES:** The children looked wonderful today in their Hallowe'en Costumes. Thank you for supporting FoES by donating your £2.00 for this. Don't forget the bake sale after school, and please bring small change to buy your treats.

**KILVROUGH RESIDENTIAL TRIP:** We are excited to welcome our Year 5 and 6 pupils and our dedicated staff team back from Kilvrough Manor today. It sounds like the children have had a wonderful time and really challenged themselves with the activities. Thank you so much to Mrs Callaghan, Mrs Slark and Miss Young for accompanying this trip. It is always a rewarding experience but is also incredibly hard work and I am sure they are more than ready for their half term holiday!

**DESIGN A POPPY FUNDRAISING COMPETITION:** Our School Council are running a competition to design (craft) a poppy to coincide with Remembrance Sunday and raise money for the Royal British Legion. Please see the end of the newsletter for all the details. Entries in by 5<sup>th</sup> November, please.

**POPPY MERCHANDISE:** School Council will be selling poppies w/c 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Please send your child in with cash if they wish to purchase poppy merchandise.

## REMINDERS:

- **Evenlode Class Assembly** – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 9:00am in the school hall.
- **Years 5 and 6** – don't forget to hand in your homework after the half term break (work set before half term) in order to get those last few precious Dojo points.

**TERM DATES:** School finishes for the half term holiday break at 3:15pm today, Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October, and we return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs S. Mann

Headteacher

## Poppy Competition

Create your own unique red poppy to honour Remembrance Day. Use any craft material you like — including pens, paint, collage, LEGO, clay, or plasticine — to design a poppy that symbolises remembrance and respect. Let your creativity bloom as we remember those who served.



**£1 per entry** – money raised will be donated to the **Royal British Legion**

One winner from each class will receive a prize



Bring your  
entries and  
donation in on  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**November**

# HALLOWEEN ROLLER DISCO

Chipping Norton Leisure Centre

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2025

2.15pm - 3.45pm

Entry £6 Skate Hire £1

**FREE DONUT** for first 20 admissions in full costume



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17 October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**BOCCIA FESTIVAL:** Well done to our Boccia team, who attended the partnership festival on Wednesday. The children played really well and reported back confidently in assembly. Some wins, some draws, some losses, and a good time had by all!



**HALLOWE'EN COSTUMES:** A reminder that on Friday pupils may come to school dressed in a Halloween costume, for a donation of £2.00 to FoES. Please see last week's newsletter for full details, but the headlines are:

- Costume must be suitable to wear for a normal day in school
- No masks
- Not too scary for our youngest children

**HALLOWE'EN BAKE SALE:** FoES would be very grateful for donations of Halloween themed cakes and cookies for an after school bake sale on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Please bring items into school on the Friday morning. Please bring cash in small change to purchase your treats.



**SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS:** School photograph proofs have been sent home with your children. Please order directly with Tempest, using the instructions in the pack.

**REMINDERS:**

- Children going on the Kilvrough Residential Trip on Monday need to arrive in school at **7:30am**. Please don't be late!

**TERM DATES:** School finishes for the half term holiday break at 3:15pm on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October and we return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

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*S. Mann*

Mrs S. Mann

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10 October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**U9 GIRLS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT:** On Wednesday, Miss Young and I took six of our Y3/4 girls to compete in the West Oxfordshire Girls' Football tournament in Witney. Our girls played amazingly well, losing only one match (to the eventual tournament winners) with our goalie, Rosie Holt-Karawita, conceding only two goals in the whole tournament! We saw super attack and defence gameplay from Chloe Vale, Scarlett Silman-Faria and Jessica Woolcock, leading to some brilliant goals scored by Daisy Trinder and Ava Eaglestone. In a competition between 17 Oxfordshire schools, our little school placed 6<sup>th</sup> overall. What a triumph for our team!



**FUNDRAISING HALLOWE'EN COSTUME DAY AND BAKE SALE:** In order to raise some money for FoES (whose contributions support so many of the nice things our pupils do) we will be having a fund-raising dressing up day on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October**.



For a **£2.00 donation**, children may come into school dressed in their spookiest Hallowe'en outfits. Face paint or hair dye will be permitted, but please remember that your child will need to be able to get through a normal school day in their costume and make-up so don't go overboard!

**No face masks** may be worn, as these will be impractical and potentially too frightening for our little ones. Please ensure that your child's costume is not too gruesome – remember our youngest pupils are only 4 years old! If your child prefers not to dress for Hallowe'en, they may still come in ordinary non-uniform for a £2.00 donation.

At the end of the school day, as we break up for the half term holiday, FoES would like to hold a Hallowe'en themed bake sale and would be very grateful for donations of appropriately themed cakes, cookies and biscuits to sell. Please bring cash in small denominations for the bake sale. We also hope to have a stall of "good as new" uniform available.



**PYJAMAS FOR SWIMMING:** Children in our current swimming group need to bring a pair of lightweight, long-sleeved/legged pyjamas on Tuesday, ready for a personal survival session. Please make sure they have their swimming costumes as well!!

**CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS:** The deadline for ordering packs of your child's Christmas card design and/or other goods is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October. You need to log into **parent pay** to make your payment, but please ensure you **return your order form to school** so that Mrs Reeve can match your payment to your order. Without the order form, we may not be able to process your order.

**THANK YOU FOR SPONSORSHIP MONEY:** Thank you so much to everyone who has sent in sponsorship money from the "Welly Wang". So far, we have collected £394.00, to add to the £50.00 raised by the welly design competition. If anyone else has sponsorship money to return, please could we have this on Monday (13<sup>th</sup> October).


**DONATION FROM THE DITCHLEY ESTATE:** The Ditchley Estate recently held an impromptu "pick your own sunflower" event in the fields of the farm. Lots of local families came and left with armfuls of flowers. The donations they made have been shared between Charlbury Primary School and Enstone Primary School, and we were very grateful to receive a cheque for £333.00.

Picture below, Amanda Ponsonby with Year 6 School Councillors and Eco Warriors.



### **Important Safeguarding Notice: Children's "Spy" Books**

We want to make you aware of a recent issue affecting some popular children's books by Andrew Cope, including the *Spy Dogs*, *Spy Cats*, and *Spy Pups* series.



Some editions of these books include a printed web address at the back. This link used to go to the author's website, but the domain is no longer under his control. It has since been taken over by another party and now leads to inappropriate adult content.

The publisher, Puffin, has paused sales and distribution of the books and is working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have stressed that the website has no connection to the author or publisher.

**What this means for you:**

- If your child has any *Spy Dog*, *Spy Cat* or *Spy Pups* books at home, please check the back for website links and make sure they do not try to visit the site.
- It is safe for children to continue reading the stories themselves — the concern is only with the outdated link.
- We recommend talking with your child about the importance of not following web addresses in books without checking with an adult first.

**REMINDERS:**

- **School Photographs (siblings and individuals)** will be taken on Monday morning (13<sup>th</sup> October). Best sweatshirts and best smiles at the ready!
- **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October – BOCCIA Tournament at Chipping Norton School.** Please refer to your letter from Mrs Slark if your child is attending this.
- **Kilvrough Medications** – if your child will require prescription medication during the Kilvrough Residential Trip, please make an appointment to see Mrs Mann as soon as possible to sort out the necessary paperwork. Please also remember to return your **analgesics (essential) and travel sickness medication** (if required) in the signed envelopes which were sent out this week.
- **Please return sponsorship money by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October.**
- **Deadline for Christmas Card orders is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October.**

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs S. Mann

Headteacher

# Tune Tots

## Chipping Norton

Fun and interactive music classes for parents/carers and babies/toddlers (0-18 months, older siblings also welcome)



**FREE**

Tuesday mornings at The Branch  
9:15 - 10:15  
16 Market Place, Chipping Norton, OX7 5NA

14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> October  
4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> November  
2<sup>nd</sup> December

**BOOK HERE**



or email  
[ellen.warburton@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:ellen.warburton@oxfordshire.gov.uk)



**GIRLS  
ALL  
AGES**



**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct**  
Bring a friend and  
give Rugby the  
**Try!**  
19:00 start  
18:45 Registration

**Banbury Rugby Club**  
The GR&AF UK Stadium  
Bodicote Park  
OX15 4AF



# **PITCH UP & PLAY**

If you've never played or  
already love the game  
come along for Fun,  
Training and Questions.



**FREE**

Q & A with  
Pro Rugby  
Superstar  
Caity  
Mattinson!



**WOMENSRUGBY@BANBURYRUGC.CO.UK**

# Junior Squash Coaching

**AGES** 8 - 16

Calling all future squash superstars! Dive into the world of squash with our action-packed sessions. Whether you're just starting out, or already familiar with the game, there's a place for you in our fun-filled coaching events run by Andrew Wilson (England Squash Lvl 2 Coach).

When: Saturday morning  
Where: Chipping Norton Leisure Centre  
Cost: £2 per session  
Beginners: 09:20  
Intermediates: 10:00

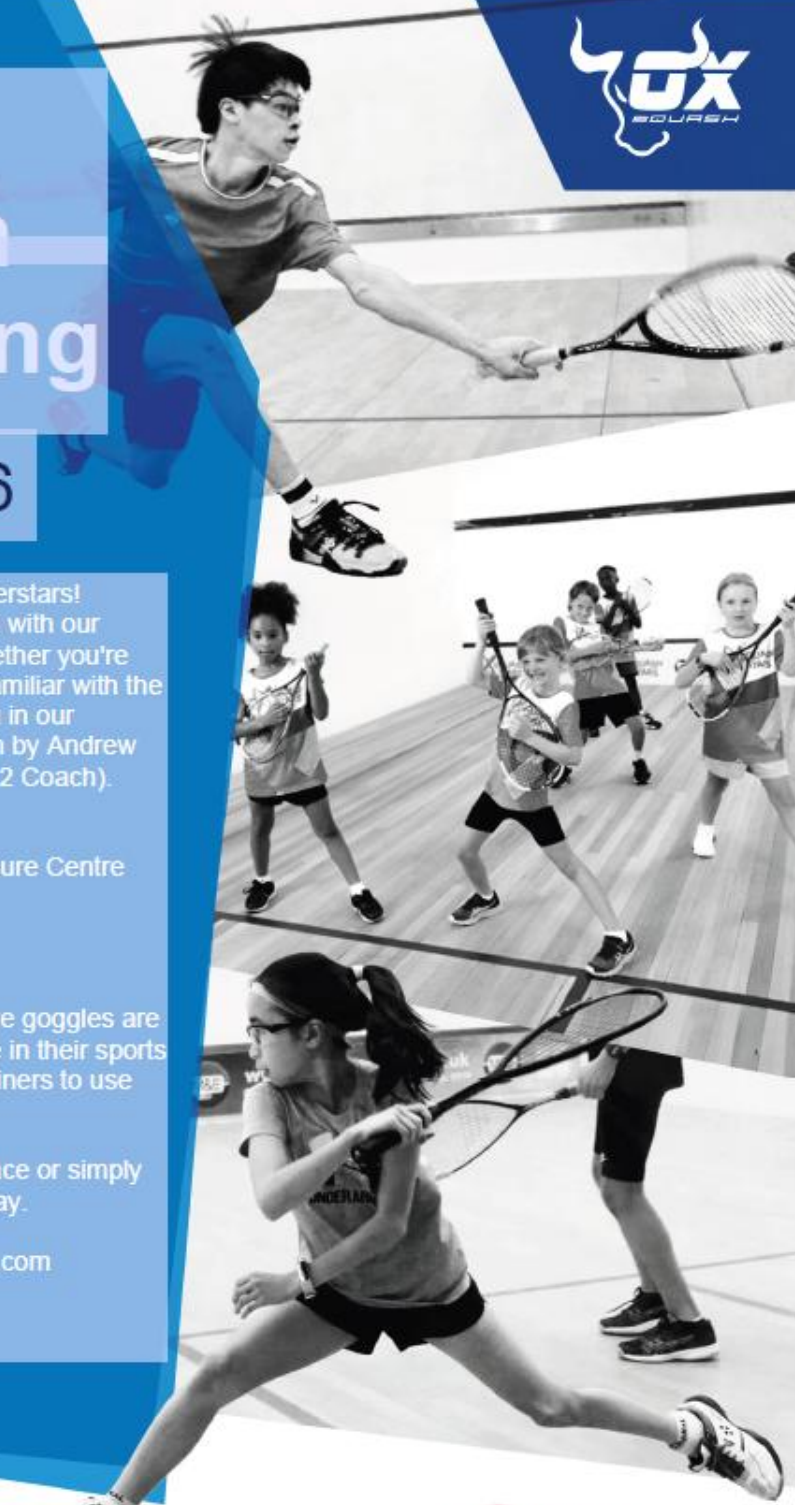
Racquets, balls and protective goggles are provided. Players must come in their sports kit and have non-marking trainers to use on court.

Sign up now to book your place or simply turn up and register on the day.  
Contact Andrew Wilson:  
[andrewgeorgewilson@gmail.com](mailto:andrewgeorgewilson@gmail.com)

**BETTER**

**ENGLAND**  
**squash**

Chipping Norton Leisure Centre, Burford Road, Chipping Norton OX7 5DY  
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3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**HARVEST FESTIVAL ASSEMBLY:** It was lovely to see lots of you joining us for the Harvest Festival assembly this afternoon. Congratulations to all the children who contributed and especially to our competition winners, as follows:

**Welly Wang Champions** – Fynn, Ruben C, Ava, Ambrose, Leo, Tati and Zavier.

**Welly Design** – Dottie, Barnaby and Keegan.

Please collect any sponsorship money as promptly as you can and bring it into school next week. Many thanks for your support.

Thank you also for your kind contributions to the Food Bank collection, which were very much appreciated by the collecting team.

**U11 FOOTBALL:** Well done to our U11 football teams, who took part in the partnership tournament on Wednesday. I am pleased to share the following match report from the staff who accompanied them.

*“The girls didn’t concede a single goal! Scarlett B scored a brilliant goal, and Penny made some great saves! Scarlett SF and Zara worked really hard in defence, and Daisy and Briana did really well in midfield. They all put in a great effort. The boys suffered only one defeat to great Tew. Fantastic goals from Harrison and James and some awesome saves from Fynn. They all got stuck in!”*

Both teams came second in the small schools’ competition! 😊

## REMINDERS:

- **DON’T FORGET TO BOOK YOUR PARENTS’ EVENING SLOTS FOR NEXT WEEK.**

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

*S. Mann*

Mrs S. Mann      Headteacher



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26 September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**HOUSE MORNING:** This morning the children spent some time together in their house groups, working on an art activity to display on their boards in the school hall. It was lovely to see our new pupils welcomed in by their house teams, and to see our new House Captains and Vice Captains confidently leading the way.

**CLASS DOJO:** Teachers in all classes have checked in with the children to let them know how many Class Dojo points they have so far earned for their homework and reading. Lots of children are doing well, but some are lagging a bit. We have included some information in homework folders to show you how your child is getting on. If their dojo points are a bit low, please support them to get this week's homework done and handed in on time. A bit of help and encouragement from parents does make all the difference, as does building in good homework routines early on in their school career.

**HARVEST FESTIVAL ASSEMBLY:** You are warmly welcomed to join us for our Harvest Festival assembly on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October at 2:15pm in the school hall. The theme is “**Give hunger the boot**” and we have two different fundraising initiatives this year – a collection of goods for North Oxfordshire Food Bank and a monetary collection for Farm Africa.

Many of you are familiar with the annual collection we make for the local food bank. Posters are up around the school site to remind you of the types of goods we need to collect. There is also some information at the end of this newsletter. **Please bring goods to school on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.**



Farm Africa is a charity which works at grassroots level with rural communities in Eastern Africa, providing long-term support for sustainable farming practices. To raise money for this charity, we will be doing a sponsored “Welly Wang” next week and also running a competition to design a stylish welly boot (£1 entry fee). Your child

will be coming home today with the sponsorship form and the welly boot template, which you will also find on the school website under the parent tab and “copies of letters”. Please encourage your child to have a go at the competition and help them to find a few sponsors to support their efforts with the welly wang next week. We will provide the welly boot to be thrown – children do not need to bring their own.

## REMINDERS:

- **JUNIOR CITIZEN** – Children in Year 6 need to be in school at **8:15am** on Monday, ready for their trip to Junior Citizen. They will eat their packed lunch when they return to school, in the early afternoon.
- **BREAK TIME SNACKS** – If your child brings their own break time snack, please remember this must be fruit or vegetables only. Please do not send your child with any other snack foods for playtime.

Have a good weekend.

Yours sincerely,

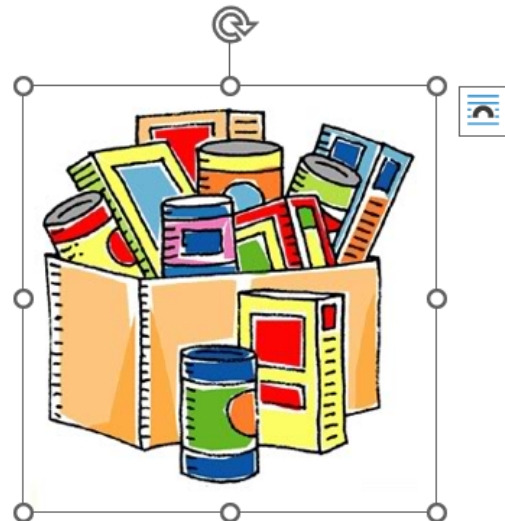
*S. Mann*

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Headteacher

### ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE FOOD BANK COLLECTION

- Tins of fruit
- Tins of custard or pudding rice
- Tins of soup
- Pasta sauce
- Tins of meat and fish (e.g. tuna)
- Tins of vegetables
- Tinned potatoes or instant mash
- Tins of baked beans
- Tins or cartons of tomatoes
- Rice
- Pasta
- Breakfast cereals (NOT OATS)
- Coffee
- Small packets of sugar
- Long life semi-skimmed milk
- Long life fruit juice
- Biscuits
- Jam
- Tea bags
- Toiletries
- Feminine hygiene products



**PLEASE DO NOT SEND** any fresh or frozen food – it must be long life for storage.

**Please bring goods to the school hall at drop off time on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.**

# VINTAGE PLOUGHING MATCH & OPEN FARM



4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 10 AM - 3PM  
THE WARRINER SCHOOL FARM, BLOXHAM

FREE ENTRY, DONATIONS WELCOME

COWS, GOATS, PIGS, SHEEP, DONKEYS, POULTRY, RABBITS,  
GUINEA PIGS & REPTILES

PLOUGHING 10 AM - 2PM



BBQ,  
TEA & CAKES,  
TRACTOR & TRAILER RIDES,  
GAMES & TUPPING TOMBOLA





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19 September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**LUNCHTIME CLUBS:** Lunchtime Clubs forms were sent home earlier this week. Please return these forms by Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September if your child (Y1 – Y6) wishes to join one of the clubs. (Clubs will be opened up to children in Reception after Christmas when they've had a chance to settle into school routines).

**FOOTY KIDS:** All children had a “Footy Kids” session on Tuesday afternoon. A lunchtime club will be running on Thursdays this half term and children will be able to sign up on the day, with different classes and groups taking turns to have a session, as we did in the summer term.

**BOOK BAGS:** Please make sure your child has their book bag in school every day. All children require a book bag – no exceptions. Thank you. If you need to buy one, please ask Mrs Reeve in the office.


**READING AT HOME:** We are becoming increasingly concerned that many children regularly fail to complete their reading homework, which is to read at home with a supporting adult at least three times a week. We understand that life is busy but helping your child learn to read really needs to be a priority activity. We are trying to incentivise the children with Dojo points, but we really need parents to be part of “team reading”.

## Why Hearing Your Child Read Matters

Reading at home with your child is one of the most powerful ways to support their learning. When you listen to your child read, you give them the chance to practice sounding out words, build confidence, and develop fluency. Just a few minutes each day can make a big difference.

Children also benefit from the special attention and encouragement you provide. Hearing your feedback helps them feel proud of their progress and motivated to keep improving. It's not just about decoding words—it's about enjoying stories together and nurturing a lifelong love of reading.

Try to set aside a quiet time each day to hear your child read. Celebrate their successes, gently help with tricky words, and most importantly, enjoy the journey together.



**150 YEAR ANNIVERSARY TEA CLOTHS:** We still have plenty of 150 year anniversary tea cloths to sell. They are £5 each or 3 for £10. If you haven't yet bought one, please do consider supporting us with this fund raising effort. They make great Christmas presents for grandparents, aunts and uncles, etc. See Mrs Reeve in the office if you would like to buy one.

**REMINDERS:**

- Young sports leader training for Year 5 pupils on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September.  
**Please make sure your Y5 brings a packed lunch that day.**

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,

*S. Mann*

Mrs S. Mann      Headteacher

**REMINDER ABOUT PENCIL CASE RULES FOR YEARS 3 TO 6 (*information first sent home in July*)**

**The Perfect Pencil Case**

Children in Years 3 to 6 are permitted to bring their own pencil case to school. This is by no means compulsory, and we will provide children with the necessary equipment if they choose not to bring their own.

**Pencil cases must be of sensible size and design. Before buying your child any new equipment, please take careful note of the following guidelines.**

**Suggested contents:**

- **1 rubber (eraser)** – small standard type
- **1 pencil sharpener** – compact with a shavings container.
- **1 short ruler** – ideally 15cm, fits better in a small case than a 30cm ruler.
- **A small selection of coloured pencils** – basic colours.
- **1 or 2 fluorescent highlighter pens**
- **1 purple biro**
- **1 small glue stick**
- **1 pair safety scissors**
- **1 or 2 writing pencils** – HB pencils are perfect for most schoolwork.

Please do not include **Sharpies, sparkly gel pens, scented pens, novelty pens, novelty rubbers, etc.** If children are distracted by their pencil case contents, the items will be confiscated and sent home.

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### **Pencil Case Requirements:**

- **Size:** Small and flat enough to fit easily into your school desk drawer.
  - **Design:**
    - **Plain fabric or plastic material** – easy to clean and not distracting.
    - **No keyrings or other attachments**
    - **No fluffy faces, animals, or characters**
    - **Zip closure** – secure and easy to use.
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12 September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

**CLASS LETTERS TO PARENTS:** Today we are sending home letters from your children's class teachers outlining some of the plans/activities/routines for this term. Please take a moment to read the letters carefully and make a mental note of P.E. days, homework due days, etc. The letters also explain more about our new homework incentive scheme on Class Dojo.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL AND ECO WARRIOR ELECTIONS:** Congratulations to the following children who were elected to our school leadership teams for this academic year.

**School Council:** Chiara, Claudia, Dottie, Scarlett SF, Alice, George, Wilfred and Briana G

**Eco Warriors:** Zara, Stanley, Ruben C, Anna, Todd, Sophie, Fred and Felix

Well done and thank you to all children who stood for election. We had some great posters and election speeches. Children: please don't be discouraged if you weren't chosen this time – have another go next year!

**BEGINNERS' RECORDER GROUP:** If any more children would like to join the beginners' recorder group, the slip is still available at the end of this newsletter. Please return it by Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,

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Mrs S. Mann

Headteacher

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**RECORDER LESSONS**

My child (insert name) ..... in Year 3 / 4 would like to join the beginners' recorder group this year.

Signed: ..... Print name: .....

(Please do not purchase any instruments or music until you receive a letter explaining what your child will need).



CHIPPING NORTON SWIFTS

# RECRUITMENT

FOR THE U11 TEAM

Does your child want to play football for their local club?  
Will they be in Year 5 or 6 in September 2025?

**COME AND JOIN THE SWIFTS!**

To register your interest in being part of the U11 for  
September 2025 please email our club:

[registration@chippingnortonswifts.co.uk](mailto:registration@chippingnortonswifts.co.uk)

## INFORMATION ABOUT CHIPPING NORTON SWIFTS FC

Each season starts in September, and we field teams in the Witney & District Youth League and Oxfordshire Girls Football League across several age groups, from U7 to U16.

Teams play 5x5, 7v7, 9v9, and 11v11 format matches depending on the age group.

All our volunteer coaches are FA qualified including first aid, safeguarding, and DBS cleared by the FA.

The club committee consists of a chairperson, secretary, welfare officer, and treasurer.  
All of them are local volunteers responsible for running the club.

CLUB WEBSITE: [WWW.CHIPPINGNORTONSWIFTS.CO.UK](http://WWW.CHIPPINGNORTONSWIFTS.CO.UK)

 **Charter  
Standard  
Youth Club.**



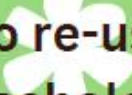
# West Oxfordshire

## Hand me on - Families

LENDING  
LIBRARY

**GOT OUTGROWN SCHOOL  
SHOES OR UNUSED LUNCH  
BOXES? HAND THEM ON OR  
FIND WHAT YOU NEED.**

STAY LOCAL

Join our community of families to re-use items needed for children or households. Everything is free, just hand on again for another family to use later. 

Family Group

[www.facebook.com/groups/handmeonwestoxon](http://www.facebook.com/groups/handmeonwestoxon)

Community Page

[www.facebook.com/handmeonwestoxon](http://www.facebook.com/handmeonwestoxon)



The hand me on community group is for families of all backgrounds within West Oxfordshire. Our aim is to reduce our carbon footprint while helping families.



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05 September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,


**WELCOME BACK:** Welcome back to the start of a new school year. It has been lovely to reconnect with everyone and hear about all the exciting things the children have been up to over the summer break. We are delighted to welcome some new families to our school community and hope this will be the start of a very happy journey for you all.

Next week, you will receive a letter from your child's class teacher which outlines some of the topics we will be covering this term and explains class routines, homework arrangements, etc. Don't forget that the weekly newsletter is also an important source of information, as is the school website. Important dates for the term are available on the website calendar, and you are able to sync your smartphone to this.

**SWIMMING:** Swimming lessons begin next **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September**. Children in **Years 4 and 5** will be going swimming, along with any Year 6 children who have yet to pass the Key Stage 2 swimming standard. You will be informed by letter if your child is in the **Year 6 booster group**. Please remember that all children need their swimming costume or trunks (Lycra/close fitting, not board shorts), a hat and a towel. If your child prefers to wear goggles, please complete and return the slip at the end of this newsletter. This applies to all swimmers – we start afresh with permission slips for the new school year. Please do not send your child with shampoo or talcum powder. If your child has not been swimming with school before, a quick chat about their confidence and capabilities is always helpful. Please speak to any of the Evenlode Class team, or to Mrs Slark who also accompanies the swimming group.

**MUSIC LESSONS:** MFSF music lesson will start next week. Recorder lessons will also start for those who are already learning. If your child is in Year 3 or 4 and would like to join the **new beginners' recorder group** this year, please complete and return the slip at the bottom of the newsletter.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL AND ECO WARRIOR ELECTIONS:** Next Thursday, we will elect our new School Council and Eco Warrior teams for this academic year. If your child would like to stand for one of these pupil leadership roles, please support them to create a campaign poster and have a think about how they will promote themselves to their peers. Children in Windrush and Evenlode Classes are asked to stand up and tell their year group why they would like to be involved and what ideas they have. Children in Glyme Class do not need to do a presentation; however, if any of the Year 1's would like to make a campaign poster we would be really happy to see this.



**LUNCH BOXES:** If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please ensure that this is a balanced, healthy meal, with plenty of complex carbohydrates for energy and plenty of fruit/vegetables. We are concerned that many pre-packed “lunchbox foods”, including those that promote themselves as having good nutritional content, are actually high in salt and sugar and low in health benefits. In addition, many foods bought for lunchboxes are individually wrapped in single use plastics, which as a school we try to discourage. Please remember that **sweets and chocolates are not permitted in lunchboxes**. A chocolate covered biscuit, e.g. Club, Penguin, KitKat is acceptable as “dessert”, but not packets of chocolate buttons, bars of chocolate, etc. **Please try to limit salty foods such as crisps and sweet treats such as biscuits or cakes to one item per lunchbox.** Some information and ideas are included in our Whole School Healthy Eating Policy (available on the school website). It is important that our children develop good eating habits now, which they take through into adulthood, and the partnership between school and home is key.

**PLEASE PARK RESPONSIBLY:** The car park and the roads around the school get very busy at drop off and pick up time. If you need to bring your car, please ensure that you drive and park it safely. In particular, please do not block the car park entrance, or park too close to the T-junction at Lidstone Road/Cox’s Lane. If drivers cannot see clearly to pull out, it puts our children at risk. Please ensure you are following the Highway Code which means not parking within 10m of a junction or in front of dropped curbs. Thank you for your consideration.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN A BAT SAFARI:**

 **Enstone Eco Bat Safari Saturday 13 September at 7:15pm. Places are limited.**

<https://www.enstone-eco.co.uk/events>

Oxfordshire Bat Group Guide, Frank Lucas, will lead a 90 minute magical night-time walk to discover the bats of Enstone. With bat detectors provided, this family-friendly event (ages 8+) promises a unique glimpse into the hidden world of our nocturnal neighbours. £10 per adult, Children free.

We will be meeting at St Kenelm’s Church. Parking is available on the Little Tew road, near the gate to the old churchyard. Please bring a torch and wrap up warm.

Booking in advance and paying by bank transfer is essential so we can put on the event. Please RSVP on our website [link here](#), then transfer funds to our business account - *Enstone Eco* - 08-92-99; 67297762. You will get a confirmation email once your place is booked.

Have a great weekend.

Yours sincerely,

*S. Mann*

Mrs S. Mann      Headteacher

**SWIMMING GOGGLES**



I wish my child (insert name) ..... to wear goggles during their school swimming lessons.

- I will provide suitable swimming goggles, which comply with British safety standards.
- I take responsibility for my child's safe use of the goggles and understand that if they are misused, my child will be asked to remove them.
- I understand that for certain activities, for example personal survival skills practice, goggles may not be worn even if a permission slip has been completed.

Signed: ..... Print name: .....

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### **RECORDER LESSONS**

My child (insert name) ..... in Year 3 / 4 would like to join the beginners' recorder group this year.

Signed: ..... Print name: .....

(Please do not purchase any instruments or music until you receive a letter explaining what your child will need).