

Headteacher: Mr Jonathan Rodd

20th October 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

In our whole school Celebration assembly this morning, we celebrated the following pupils:

Gainsborough: Nevaeh, Sam, Morag and Ronnie

Medlycott: Tyler, Arthur, Arrietty and Isabella

Venn: Rudi, Marcas, Sophie and Isabelle

Kingsbury: Olivia, Alfred, Max and Szymon

Newtown: Iris, Charlotte, Lilly and Coby

Crackmore: Leo, Lacey, Freddie and Ami

It has been a busy but productive half term and I hope that Parents' Evening gave you the opportunity to both look at your child's work and celebrate his/her progress with his/her teacher. Thank you to our Year 5 and 6 guides who took parents from the Hall to the classrooms and to Mrs Westwell, who made sure the evenings ran to time!

We have an Inset Day on Monday 30th October and look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 31st. After school clubs will start on Tuesday 31st. If you would like to sign your child/ren up for Mrs Bright's ReBorne Club, please use this website:

<https://rebornechurch.churchsuite.com/events/ioogahi0> The cost of the club is £7 for the half term.

I am very disappointed to inform you that we won't be offering after school provision during the first week of next half term. The uptake has been much lower than expected, despite the high level of interest that was expressed in the questionnaires. Booking for 6th – 10th November will be available from Tuesday 31st October. If numbers do not increase, and the provision is not financially viable, we will look at offering it again after Christmas. We will, of course, keep you updated on our plans.

If you have not yet downloaded the SIMS app, please can I remind you to do so. It is essential that all of the information we have about your child is up-to-date in case we need to contact you in the event of an emergency.

After half term, Kingsbury Class will be having their Inspire Morning. This will take place on Wednesday 15th November, from 9.00 am until 10.00 am in the Hall. We hope that lots of parents will be able to attend as this provides valuable insights about how children are taught as well as what they are taught!

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Mrs Sweatman writes...

Kingsbury had a fantastic day at Carymoor learning about the Vikings. We dressed as Vikings, tracked animals, ground grain using a rotary quern stone and cooked bread over an open fire in the roundhouse. It was a super way to prepare for our Viking topic after half term. Many thanks to the PTFA for helping fund this and to all those helpers and supporters of our cake sale last week which also helped fund this high-quality learning experience for our children.



Mr Menage writes...

The group that attended the Tag Rugby tournament at King Arthur's were outstanding! Every one of them gave it everything. There was some brilliant rugby, and Mr Hayes, the organiser, particularly praised the girls: Olive, Ruby, Rosie and Molly B, who all got stuck in as the tournament progressed. We won three games, lost two and drew one. It was a very positive start to the tournament season. We couldn't have asked more from them. Our next tournament will be a Netball one – more information coming soon.

Monday 30 th October	INSET Day
Tuesday 31 st October	School begins
Friday 3 rd November	KS1 Celebration Assembly
Monday 6 th November	Medlycott class trip to Trent
Friday 10 th November	KS2 Celebration Assembly

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Tuesday 14 th November	Individual and family photos
Wednesday 15 th November	Inspire Morning – Kingsbury Class (9.00 – 10.00 am)
Friday 17 th November	KS1 Celebration Assembly Children in Need
Friday 24 th November	Whole school Celebration Assembly, including Sue Laughton award
Friday 1 st December	KS2 Celebration Assembly
Friday 8 th December	KS1 Celebration Assembly
Saturday 9 th December	PTFA Winter Fayre
Monday 11 th December	KS1 Nativity (a.m.)
Tuesday 12 th December	Carol Service in Church at 2.00pm
Wednesday 13 th December	KS1 Nativity (p.m.)
Friday 15 th December	Whole school Celebration Assembly, including Sue Laughton award

I hope that you all have a lovely half term break, and look forward to seeing the children again on Tuesday 31st October.

Kind regards,

Jonathan Rodd

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