



Sunningwell Primary School

Newsletter - October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

The term is now well underway, and the children appear to be settled into the routines of school. The 'new' statutory start time of 8.40am is helping children to prepare for the day with learning activities. Please try to ensure that your child is in school for this time as it can be disruptive for them and their class if they arrive late. Thank you for your support with this.

Events this term

Non School uniform day – Thursday 5th October

We will be having a non-school uniform day in exchange for at least £1/child on Thursday 5th October. We will be raising money for Refugee Resource based in Oxford. Please pay on ParentMail.

All Hands DIY Morning -7th October

Please note that the DIY day planned for Saturday 7th will be rescheduled for another date in 2024. **The Spinney Dig will still be taking place on 7th October.** Please come along for some fun digging for treasure (we have found all sorts of things to date) and clearing the area around the old cottage.

Every Friday – Drop Everything and Read

Please do come to your child's classroom from 8.40am – 9.00am to read with your child.

Harvest Celebrations – 9th – 13th October

We will be collecting items for our Harvest Celebrations for the Abingdon Food Bank. The food bank would be very grateful for the following items:

- TINNED SOUP
- SAUCES FOR RICE EG CURRY, SWEET AND SOUR ETC
- SMALL TINNED BAKED BEANS OR SPAGHETTI HOOPS ETC
- SHAMPOO
- SHOWER GEL FOR MEN
- STURDY CARRIER BAGS
- WASHING UP LIQUID
- CARTONS OF LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE
- BOTTLES OF SQUASH

They have large stocks of pasta and large cans of baked beans, so, if possible, please do avoid these items. Children can take donations to their classroom from Monday 9th October to Friday 13th.

The children will participate in a special Harvest Worship on Friday 13th October.

School Photos - Tuesday 17th October

The photographer will be here to take photos of the children on Tuesday 17th October in the morning. Photos of children will be taken individually and also with siblings if they are in school/Pre-school. If you would like your child to have a photo taken with a younger sibling who does not attend our school, please do email the school office to book a space by Monday 16th October. There are limited spaces available and these will be on a first come, first served basis.

Invitation to see children's work – 19th October

This term we are looking at the cities of Oxford, Wrocław (Poland) and León (Nicaragua). We are looking forward to celebrating the work that the children will do related to this topic on Thursday 19th October from 3pm. Parents are welcome to attend a gallery walk of children's work.

Don't forget Friday 20th October is an inset day and then it is half term the following week.

Reminders

School Start Time

Can we please remind you that **8.40am is now the statutory start time** - children should be at their classroom doors by this time, registers will be taken at 8.45am. If children arrive after registration, they will be marked as late.

'Drop and Go' starts at 8.30am.

Lost Property

We have a few items of unnamed lost property in the school office from Class 2. If your child has lost any items, please email the school office.

Please do ensure that all items of uniform, bags, water bottles etc are named. We will be donating any items of uniform that are unnamed/unclaimed to the pre-loved uniform stock as we no longer have the space in school for lost property.

