

DUCKLINGTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 1st April 2022

Headteacher's Thoughts

After their amazing victory last Friday against Madley Brook, the Y6 Football team have made it to the semi-finals of the Witney Partnership League, with the match due to be played this afternoon after school. Well done to the team for getting to this stage of the competition and we wish them luck for the match later.

Parents' Evenings were held this week on Tuesday and Wednesday, thank you to those who were able to attend online or via phone – I hope you found these meetings useful to complement your child's report from last week.

Today sees the biggest change to the 'Living with COVID' guidance especially with the removal of free LFD tests and with it comes a change to the DfE guidance. Yesterday the DfE daily update stated that the new guidance will advise:

- *adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature*
- *children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college, or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend*
- *adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. **For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days***

You are welcome to join us for the 'The Easter Experience', which is being held outside in the school grounds from 2:30pm (weather permitting) on Thursday 7th April. Classes are preparing in a variety of ways the Easter Story from Palm Sunday through to Easter Sunday. Each station will have representatives of the class there to explain their work around the theme.

Next Friday is the last day of the Spring Term, school will close at the usual time of 3:05pm for the Easter Holidays.

Mr. Leigh

Achievements Assembly

A big well done to the children mentioned in our achievement assembly this week.

Cygnets:	Joel Wright
Ducklings	Jack Mason, Freddie Fowler
Owls:	Dinis Pinto, Isla Blackford
Mandarins:	Ben Buckard
Eagles:	Lennon Umney
Robins:	Amelie Baldwin, Max Fitzpatrick, Sophie Day, Arthur Bowman
Kingfishers:	Ellie Frisby
Red Kites:	William Truman, Finley Buckard

Our Christian Value for this half term is:

Self-Esteem

We will be thinking about its meaning to develop our own feeling of confidence in what we do and feel prepared for everyday challenges. Also considering ways to improve our own self-esteem as well as helping others.

*For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart.
(Samuel 16:7)*

Future Diary Dates.

Friday 1st April 3:30pm – Y6 Boys Football match (at school)

Wednesday 6th April – U11 Tag Rugby Tournament

Thursday 7th April – Easter Experience

Friday 8th April – 3:05pm End of Spring Term

Monday 25th April – Summer Term starts

Monday 25th April – 5pm P & S Governor Meeting

QUIZ NIGHT

Book your babysitters, it's time to get quizzical!
Enjoy a Child Free Evening, while testing your general knowledge!

Friday 6th May 2022

Ducklington Primary School Hall

Doors open at 7:30pm, quiz starts at 8pm

Teams of 6 (4 minimum)

Bar available serving prosecco, wine, beer
soft drinks and snacks

£5 per person

Entry fees can be paid on ParentPay or can give cash to a member of Fods



Around the School

Here are a few photos from Ducklings class.



The children are playing the different percussion instruments. They are learning to take turns in being the conductor whilst using hand gestures to indicate when the instruments are to be played loudly or softly, fast or slow.



Organising their own game of What's the time Mr Wolf?



Sharing books in the book corner in Explore Time.



We are being scientists in our science shed!



Enjoying swing ball and taking turns to bat.



Creating their own dice game and applying mathematical language.



Continuing to develop and apply capacity vocabulary.



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Witney Music Centre, run by the Oxfordshire County Music Service, are holding an Open Morning on April 2nd, from 9.00am-10.30am, in the main hall at **Wood Green School**, Witney. This is an opportunity for any prospective orchestral instrumentalists, ideally who have been playing for at least a year up to about grade 5 standard, to come along and join in our music centre for a morning – we run string groups, an orchestra, wind group and a guitar ensemble. Come and see what goes on, take part, try some ensemble playing and enjoy making music with other students.

Any parents are also invited to come along and play too, so dig out that old violin or clarinet from the loft and come and play with your children, or even help out as staff! Any questions please feel free to email the centre director Andy Bettle on andrew.bettle@oxfordshire.gov.uk. www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/residents/music-service