

# DUCKLINGTON C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023

## Headteacher's Thoughts

We received great news this week to confirm that we have been awarded the Artsmark Gold award from the Arts Council (banner below). The arts is an area that we firmly believe is important for everyone to experience particularly on their journey through the school. It is great that our work has been recognised through the Artsmark and encourages us to continue to develop this further in future years. I have included the feedback from the Arts Council on the school website, click [here](#) to read more. Thank you to Ms Carolan, who has collated all the evidence and completed the paperwork for our submission.

Next week seems full of exciting activities from the **Year 5/6 production of 'Cinderella Rockerfella'** on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. On Wednesday, **Farmer Gow's farm** are visiting nursery and KS1 in the morning and in the afternoon, the **parents' sharing afternoon** is from 2:30pm for the children to share their work and books with their parents in their classroom. This sharing session is for parents of all classes from Reception to Year 6, do come along. Finally, Thursday is the **Year 3 Strings Concert**. What a week to look forward to.

Mr. Leigh

### Our Christian Value for this half term is:

## Self-Control

Self-control is essential to success, in relation to our daily habits, our character, our attitude, our emotions, and our actions. We are able to control ourselves in order to do what needs to be done to make us successful.

*'Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful.'*  
(1 Corinthians 13 4-5)

### Future Diary Dates.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July – Y5/6 practising at Cokethorpe  
 Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>/Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Y5/6 Production  
 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Farmer Gow's visit to KS1  
 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – 2:30pm – Parents Sharing afternoon  
 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July - 2:30pm Y3 Strings Concert  
 Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July – 9:15am – Leavers Service followed by Giddy Assembly for Year 6 and their parents  
 Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July – 9:15am End of term service in St Bartholomew's Church (school only)



**Artsmark  
Gold Award**  
Awarded by Arts  
Council England

## Bikeability Level 3

### Holiday courses

- Boost your skills and confidence
- Negotiate traffic lights, roundabouts and town centres

Sessions on 24<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023, leaving from Windrush Bike Project. 152 B Corn Street Witney.

Book your place:  
[www.bookwhen.com/windrushbikeproject?tag=bikeability](http://www.bookwhen.com/windrushbikeproject?tag=bikeability)



## Ducklington & Hardwick Produce Association

### 71st Annual Village Show



#### Produce, flowers, baking and crafts - AND MORE!

- Sports bar & BBQ
- Pimms and Gin Bar
- Tea and cake stand
  - Ice cream van
  - Fairground Rides
- Free children's activities
  - Arena displays
  - Putting green
- Classic cars / steam engines
- U8's football tournament
- Aunt Sally competition
  - Local stalls



Free Magic and fire-eating show



Vouchers for winners of the youth classes!

 Search 'Ducklington & Hardwick Produce Association'

 Visit [www.ducklingtonvillageshow.co.uk](http://www.ducklingtonvillageshow.co.uk)

## August Bank Holiday Monday 1pm - Ducklington Sports Field

Please come along and support this wonderful community event!





Your child is invited to sign up for this year's **Summer Reading Challenge**.  
Sign up at your local library!

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to keep reading during the school summer holidays – and to enjoy anything they like to read!  
Children aged 4- 11 are invited to set a reading goal, and collect rewards for their reading.  
It's FREE to take part, and last year 75% of children taking part improved their reading skills over the holidays. With exclusive incentives to collect and plenty of brilliant books to enjoy, the challenge is the perfect summer activity to build your child's reading skills and confidence during the holidays.

Complete the challenge to win a medal and a certificate.

Find out more at [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/summer-reading-challenge](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/summer-reading-challenge) and check out fun activities and book recommendations at [www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk](http://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk).

## Summer Holiday Tennis Camps

EXCEL Tennis Academy

**For Ages 4 - 16**

- Witney Lawn Tennis Club
- Hanney Tennis Club
- Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor Tennis Club
- Morning, Afternoon and Full Day Sessions
- Childcare Vouchers Accepted
- Fun and Educational
- Flexible Bookings

Week 1: 24th - 28th July  
- Witney and Kingston Bagpuize

Week 2: 31st July - 4th August  
- Witney and Hanney

Week 3: 7th - 11th August  
- Witney and Kingston Bagpuize

Week 4: 14th - 18th August  
- Witney

Week 5: 21st - 25th August  
- Witney

Week 6: 29th Aug - 1st Sept  
- Witney

info@exceltennis.co.uk  
www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk

## INFLATABLE FOOTBALL FUN

SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAMME! AGES 4-12

Ducklington Sports Club, Aston Road,  
Ducklington, OX29 7US

Dates: Tues 25th - Thurs 27th July 2023  
Tues 8th - Thurs 10th August 2023  
Tues 22nd - Thurs 24th August 2023

Gateway Primary School, Netheravon Close,  
Carterton OX18 3SF

Dates: Tues 1st - Thurs 3rd August 2023  
Tues 15th - Thurs 17th August 2023  
Tues 29th - Thurs 31st August 2023

Time: 9.30am to 2.30pm  
(drop off as early as 9am, pick up to 3pm)

Cost: £15/day

To register your child, please go to  
[www.enrolmy.com/footy-kids](http://www.enrolmy.com/footy-kids)

All of our programmes are based around having lots of fun. No lines, drills or running around cones, instead games where all kids have a ball and are learning basic skills of football whilst having big smiles on their faces.  
Mini tournaments everyday! Coaches are qualified and DBS checked and are big kids at heart!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US AT

[www.footykids.org](http://www.footykids.org) | [tomspeers@footykids.org](mailto:tomspeers@footykids.org) | [Footykids](https://www.facebook.com/footykids)  
or call and speak to Tom on 07940 070 082



**Girlguiding**  
Oxfordshire  
county

**Rainbows**  
For ages 4-7



Rainbows welcomes all girls to come together to laugh, make a happy mess in a creative and safe space. It's a wonderful world of adventure, week after week, just for her.

**Brownies**  
For ages 7-10



It's full of firsts: she'll explore her creative side, get out into the great outdoors, and start learning to look after herself, others and the world we live in.

**Guides**  
For ages 10-14



Guides is a fun-filled space, she'll have one big adventure with friends, learn how to be herself, explore the things she loves and do stuff she's never done before!

**Rangers**  
For ages 14-18



Rangers is your space – you get together with other girls to have fun, give back, hang out, and just be you. Making a difference to the things you care about.

Find a group near you [girlguiding.org.uk](http://girlguiding.org.uk)



**Girlguiding**  
Oxfordshire  
county

**Volunteer with  
Girlguiding**

It's totally flexible and there's no commitment too small. You can volunteer in a group or use your skills behind the scenes, you don't need any guiding experience and everyone is welcome!

**We help all girls know they can do anything**



Volunteer today [girlguiding.org.uk](http://girlguiding.org.uk)