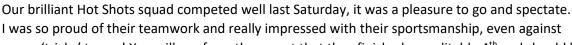
# BCS NEWS

# 23rd May 2025



some 'tricky' teams! You will see from the report that they finished a creditable 4<sup>th</sup> and should be really proud of each other.

A few members of Class 4 went along to Adderbury on Wednesday evening to join the 'Morris Men'....we had been invited by Richard, John and David who came into school to teach class 4 'Shepherd's Hey' ready for this afternoon. The class have remembered the dance really well and those who came along on Wednesday evening were able to dance with the whole Morris group troupe...great fun!

Yesterday, Mrs Deane and I accompanied Class 4 to the 'Royal & Derngate' theatre in Northampton where we watched the stage performance of 'Pig Heart Boy'. We have been studying the novel by Malorie Blackman this term and deliberately kept the ending for the play...so glad we did! We all thoroughly enjoyed it...the cast were brilliant, the stage setting was exciting and the storyline was gripping....fantastic to hear the children discussing it afterwards. We also took part in a Q&A with members of the cast which was avery interesting.

Preparations for this afternoon have been in place for many weeks, this includes donations and raffle prize gathering (thank you Becky Peel), as well as coordinating shopping, manpower and stalls; a mammoth task, superbly led by Louise Hutchins. On Monday evening we met to fold raffle tickets, sort tombola prizes and name teddies, thank you to everyone who was able to help with this.

Well, what can I say about this afternoon? Wonderful, fantastic and thank you!! The dances were brilliant, from Shepherd's Hey to Eye of the Tiger, beautiful beaming smiles from the children who loved performing for you. Great violin playing from Grace, accompanied by Lily, Austin and Annie. Our very own 'Ant & Dec', Jack and Tegan were brilliant comperes, keeping us on track, speaking clearly and warmly congratulating everyone throughout. Thank you to staff for preparing the children for today.

HUGE, HUGE thanks again to the fabulous FOBCS, the stalls were really busy, so many people came out with armfuls of prizes and cakes. Well done to year 6 for their superb organisation with their stalls too, from nerf targets to 'what's in the box?'! I'm sure your money total will be really good.

Well done to everyone who won a raffle prize... over 30 prizes! After half term, we will be in touch with winners who couldn't collect today.

It just leaves me to say 'Happy half term', hope the nice weather sticks around for some of the week at least. Look forward to seeing you all on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.** 

Thank you for your ongoing support and to everyone who was able to make it to the Spring Fair this afternoon. Best wishes

Mrs Stevenson x

\*\* Lost item – one of our year 6 children lost their wallet this afternoon – grey material one – please let us know if you happen to have picked it up. Thank You \*\*

## Stars of the Week

<u>Making us smile:</u> Theo D Ezra Stanley

Austin Izzy Willow Amber

Values - Courage: Harriet Francesco Ethan W Rose W

## **FOBCS Updated**

## **Dear Parents/Carers**,

#### **Father's Day Stall**

We will be running our Father's Day stall again this year on Wednesday 11th June in school, and are asking for donations of either chocolate or socks (new).

A donation box will be in Reception from Tuesday 3rd June.

Many thanks for your continued support, it is greatly appreciated and makes a real difference.

#### **FoBCS Team**

# **House Point Totals**

| Ospreys | <mark>Hawks</mark> | Falcons | <b>Eagles</b> |
|---------|--------------------|---------|---------------|
| 2787    | 2780               | 2827    | 2851          |

# Dates for your diary (updated regularly)

#### 2024/2025

#### Term 5

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> June INSET DAY

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> June Class photos & Whole School photo

Weds 11<sup>th</sup> June Father's Day stall

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> June KS 2 Quad Kids – PM at Warriner, PICK UP from Warriner at 3.45pm

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June Celebration assembly – families welcome, 2.45pm

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day – from 1.15pm

Mon & Tues 30<sup>th</sup>June/1<sup>st</sup> Jul Induction Day(s) at Warriner / BGN / NOA / Wykham Park

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July Celebration assembly – families welcome, 2.45pm

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> July Class 4 play –1.30pm & 6pm

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> July End of year DISCOs

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> July End of term – Leavers service at 11am, followed by picnic at 12, finish at 1pm

We will continue to invite families to join us for Friday afternoon celebration assemblies, usually fortnightly

# HOT SHOTS success – Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May









The BCS Hot Shots team was one of 24 Teams that progressed through to the Hot Shots Regional Finals, from over 200 Schools participating in the qualifying rounds. A worthwhile reminder that the BCS Hot Shots team won their qualifying tournament. In the group with both the reigning Champions, and tournament favourites, the BCS should be super proud of their efforts with the team displaying great sportsmanship and teamwork throughout their games finishing 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the group of 6 and just 1 point off 3<sup>rd</sup>. All supporters (parents and siblings, plus Mrs Stevenson) were super proud.

(report written by Mr Voigt)

# Morris Dancing in Adderbury - Wednesday 21st May



Class 4 theatre trip, Northampton – 'Pig Heart Boy'



Contemplative, Compassionate and Courageous

# Spring Fair – 23rd May 2025

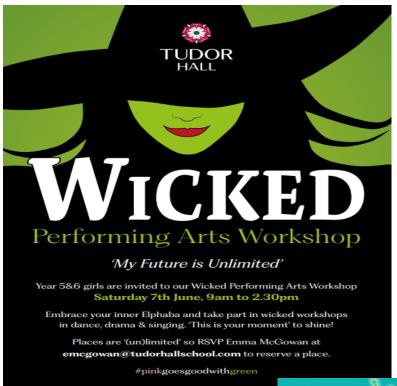


**Our Comperes for the afternoon** 



Apologies, I didn't get any photos, if you have some to share, I would like to see them and will use on fb page...would be good to have one each dance and the 'royal party'.

## Half term activities





# Join us on Thursday 29th May from 10am to 4pm

at Lock29, Castle Quay, Banbury where we celebrate

# **NATIONAL CHILDREN'S GARDENING WEEK**

During the day there will be 4 themed areas, where we will showcase:

# RAINWATER COLLECTION

Discover how you can catch and reuse rainwater at home!



### COMPOSTING

Get hands-on with composting and learn how everyday food scraps can turn into garden gold!



#### **PLANTING**

Little green thumbs can get planting, by sowing easy-to-grow seeds.



## FACE PAINTING & BUG TALK

Pick your favourite garden insect – bee, butterfly, ladybird or beetle – and get your face painted!





Come along, join in the fun and improve your gardening knowledge!

#### PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

We have a vacancy for a parent governor and would welcome nominations from any potential new governors committed to raising educational outcomes of all children at our school.

You should have a willingness to;

- Work positively with others as part of a team to provide strategic leadership and challenge to the head.
- Develop their knowledge and understanding of their role and of the key issues and priorities facing schools by; attending training, reading papers, attending evening meetings, and visiting the school during teaching hours.

Governors sit on our Academy Committee which forms an important part of the Governance structure of the Warriner Multi Academy Trust. Its responsibilities are those delegated to it by the Trustees of the WMAT, the most important being the scrutiny of our curriculum offer and our attainment data. It also works strategically in partnership with the head teacher and staff to identify the most important aspects of the school that need to be improved, approving plans to achieve this and ensuring progress.

Parent Governors are representative members of the parent body, not its delegate and have the same collective responsibility as all Governors to the school as a whole. You'll also play a vital role in ensuring that the Academy Committee is connected with, and is aware of the views of parents and the local community.

Parents or anyone who has parental responsibility for a pupil on the school roll at the time of the election can stand for election. You can nominate yourself for election and can vote in the election.

#### Essential skills for governors to have:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for children
- An ability to work positively with others as part of a team
- An ability to challenge effectively within meetings
- A willingness to develop their knowledge and understanding of their role and of the key issues and priorities facing schools

#### Useful skills/experience for governors to have:

- Experience in analysing performance data
- Experience in professional leadership or experience of Chairing Governing Bodies or committees
- Experience in performance management
- Experience in PR and Marketing.

If you wish to stand as a parent governor, please could you complete the nomination form below and email it to the Governance Professional at <a href="mailto:e.james@warriner.oxon.sch.uk">e.james@warriner.oxon.sch.uk</a> by midday on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June. If we receive more applications than there are vacancies, a secret ballot will be held. We will inform you following the deadline date for nominations if we have to do this.

If you have any queries about this process or would like to find out more about the role, please contact Liz James, the Governance Professional e.james@warriner.oxon.sch.uk

## **TERM DATES 2024-2025 - FINAL**

#### TERM 1

Inset Day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

Inset Day Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

Start of Term 1 – Wednesday 4th September 2024

End of Term 1 - Thursday 24th October 2024

Inset Day Friday 25th October 2024

#### TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 4th November 2024

End of Term 2 - Friday 20th December 2024

(TBC Friday 20th Dec – Christingle service, early finish, 2pm)

#### TERM 3

Inset Day Monday 6th January 2025

Start of Term 3 - Tuesday 7th January 2025

End of Term 3 - Friday 14th February 2025

#### TERM 4

Start of Term 4 – Monday 24th February 2025

End of Term 4 - Friday 4th April 2025

### **TERM 5**

Start of Term 5 - Tuesday 22nd April 2025

End of Term 5 – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025

Bank Holidays - Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025

#### **TERM 6**

Inset Day Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

Start of Term 6 - Tuesday 3rd June 2025

End of Term 6 - Tuesday 22nd July 2025

(Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Leavers service at 11 am, family picnic afterwards, 1.15pm finish)

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*TERM DATES 2025-2026\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### TERM 1

Inset Day Monday 1st September 2025

Inset Day Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

Start of Term 1 – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

End of Term 1 - Friday 24th October 2025

#### TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025

End of Term 2 - Friday 19th December 2025

(TBC Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christingle service, early finish, 2pm pick up)

#### TERM 3

Inset Day Monday 5th January 2026

Start of Term 3 – Tuesday 6th January 2026

End of Term 3 - Friday 13th February 2026

#### **TERM 4**

Start of Term 4 – Monday 23rd February 2026

End of Term 4 - Friday 27th March 2026

#### **TERM 5**

Start of Term 5 – Monday 13th April 2026

End of Term 5 - Friday 22nd May 2026

Bank Holiday (term time) - Monday 4th May 2026

#### **TERM 6**

Inset Day Monday 1st June 2026

Start of Term 6 - Tuesday 2nd June 2026

End of Term 6 – Friday 17th July 2026

(Friday 17th June – Leavers service at 11 am, family picnic afterwards, 1.15pm finish)

Inset Day Monday 20th July 2026

## **REMINDERS/NOTICES**

- When waiting for the doors to be opened in the morning please remind children who are running about that
  the patio slabs are a little uneven in places. I also ask that they do not jump across the gaps at the top of the
  steps Thanks
- Please ensure you drive down School Lane towards school slowly, there are quite often children and their families walking down the road to school too.
- Is my child too ill for school? NHS (www.nhs.uk)
- Please use the office email <u>office.3302@bishop-carpenter.oxon.sch.uk</u> should you need to make any enquiries, I will ensure they are addressed as appropriate. This email address is checked by me, daily. I respectfully request that emails are not sent to staff after 7pm during the week or over the weekend, unless it is an urgent query/update. Most email accounts allow you to 'schedule' send emails rather than send instantly.
- Parking 1 the playground is priority parking for class 1 and 2 parents in the afternoon, also disabled drivers and the taxi.
- Parking 2 When parking in the village at drop off and pick up, please ensure you are not blocking driveways (including either side of gateways) and not using grass verges. There is additional parking along the road further up the village and it's just a short walk down. Please avoid arriving at school too early as this also blocks the road and residents can't get off their drives, gates will open at 3pm.
- It is lovely to meet your 'furry' friends but I politely insist that dogs are not brought (walked) onto the school site. Thank you for your cooperation with this.
- WMAT vacancies link

Vacancies - Warriner Multi-Academy Trust (warrinermultiacademytrust.co.uk)

- Punctuality Our school doors open at 8.30am and our learning day begins at 8.45am. We have a lot to pack into our day and week, and want all of our children to start at the same time. We are unable to start our RWI phonics programme (delivered Mon-Thurs) until all children are in school, so please make a positive effort to arrive punctually in the morning. Similarly at the end of the day, pick up time is 3.10pm, there are an increasing number of families arriving late (sometimes unavoidably), often past 3.20pm. Staff also have things to do, places to be at the of their working day and have sometimes been delayed. Thank you for your support and cooperation.
- Water bottles We have a small supply of paper cups for children to use when they require a drink
  of water. Please ensure your child comes to school equipped with a water bottle every day.
   Keeping hydrated is vital for their health and well-being, having a water bottle encourages good
  habits. Thank you.
- Just a gentle reminder that a Healthy snack can be included for your child to have at breaktime, this should not include sweets, chocolate, pepperami sticks, this also applies to packed lunches, in terms of aiming for a balance of healthy choices. There are some suggestions on this website:
   <u>Healthier snacks Food facts Healthier Families NHS</u>. We do provide a fruit/veg snack for KS1 children for their afternoon break, we are also a nut free school.

- Parking Parking on the playground can look quite chaotic at the end of the day. If you are in a rush, it may also mean that you are not fully concentrating, creating a risk of not noticing if a child/adult pedestrian is around. Please be mindful of making a sensible choice of where to park, this includes when parking in the village. Thank you.
- Please do not allow children to go onto the field and on the equipment after school at pick up time. There are many cars on the playground and often children are running off the bank straight onto the car park, without looking. Thank you.

There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children. One of these is roots, the other, wings.

In being rooted in knowing we are all loved by God, we are then able to be more aware of our God given wings to fly and to flourish, to bear fruit in our lives, fruit of the Holy Spirit, fruit that will last. (John 15 v16)