



As you are aware, we carried out a 'Lockdown' drill on Thursday morning. This did involve the alarm sounding, lights off, doors locked, complete silence and hiding. We recognise that this seems a scary prospect, and it is indeed sad that we need to do this, however, our objective is to ensure we can act quickly, in a prepared manner in the event of an emergency. An example of when this would be required is if we had an intruder on our site, we have not shared this example with the children. The drill was carried out extremely well, with everyone responding as they should.

Onto some more cheery news!

Yesterday, our year 5 and 6 Hi 5 netball squads competed in the festival at The Warriner. We had 2 squads, year 6 (with Albert & William) and year 5. There was quite a lot to remember with new positions and playing areas but everyone picked it up really quickly. Our experienced Hotshots basketballers transferred their passing and shooting skills perfectly. Our year 5 squad finished 3rd in their league with lots of very close games. Meanwhile, our year 6 (+2!) squad were CHAMPIONS of their league, finishing first! Very proud of all our players, thank you to Mrs Lewis for helping out too.



Well done to Chloe, Ethan W, Ava, Willow, Indigo, Siena, Rose, Grace, Jaymes, Carys, Izzy, Poppy, Emma, Albert, Blake, Sebastian, William, Oliver, Alicia.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs Stevenson

This is the link for the DISCO booking: <https://forms.office.com/e/LxuL2XkLfq>

**** OPEN DAYS - Tuesday 18th November and Thursday 4th December AM ****

House point totals

Ospreys	Hawks	Falcons	Eagles
628	840	673	687

Stars of the Week

Great teamwork:

Kai P Elsie M Rex

Theo Br Jack H Sebastian William

Values – Thankfulness:

Bella Ava H Teddy O Ava U Izzy

Contemplative, Compassionate and Courageous

Dates for your diary (updated regularly)

2025/2026

Mon 13 th Oct	Flu vaccinations -PM
Thurs 16 th Oct	Football (5 a side) – Year 3/4 girls and boys – numbers and details TBC – 4pm pick up from Warriner (spectators from 3.15pm)
W/B 20 th Oct	Parent consultations – details to follow
Fri 24 th Oct	2.45pm Celebration assembly – families invited FOBCS DISCO – details to follow End of term 1
Mon 3 rd Nov	Start of term 2
Thurs 6 th Nov	Year 5 mental health workshop wk1 (in school time) Year 5/6 girls and boys football at Warriner 1.30 – 4pm – pick up from Warriner
Fri 7 th Nov	Photos – portraits and siblings
Tues 11 th Nov	Children singing for children - St Marys - Class 3
Thurs 13 th Nov	Michael Rosen Poetry Day – TBC KS1 cross country – TBC at Tudor Hall in school time
Fri 14 th Nov	Children in Need 2.45pm Celebration assembly – families invited
Tues 18 th Nov	Open Day for prospective parents - September 2026 entry
Thurs 20 th Nov	Year 1 and 2 Dance workshop at Warriner AM (in school time) – no spectators
Tues 25 th Nov	Governors 2
Thurs 27 th Nov	Year 3/4 dodgeball 9 – 11am – in school time – no spectators
Fri 28 th Nov	NON UNIFORM DAY – donations for the festive fayre 2.45pm Celebration assembly – families invited
Thurs 4 th Dec	Open morning for prospective parents - September 2026 entry
Friday 5 th Dec	FESTIVE FAYRE – 2.45 – 4.00pm – details to follow
Tues 9 th Dec	Whole school trip to the PANTO (oh yes it is!) - OXFORD playhouse
Fri 12 th Dec	2.45pm Celebration assembly – families invited
Mon 15 th Dec	Class 1 and 2 Nativity performance – PM & Eve
Tues 16 th Dec	IROCK concert – PM – time TBC
Weds 17 th Dec	Christmas lunch Class 3 and 4 Christmas performance – PM only
Fri 19 th Dec	Christingle at Broughton church – 1pm start, pick up from church at 2pm

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	End of term 2
Mon 5 th Jan	INSET
Tues 6 th Jan	Children return to school
Weds 14 th Jan	Junior citizens – Year 6 – AM
Thurs 22 nd Jan	Sports Hall athletics – year 5/6 – pick up from Warriner at 5pm
Weds 11 th March	Mother's Day stall
w/b 16 th March	Class 4 Residential – Yenworthy (Mon-Fri)
Thurs 23 rd April	Year 5 Benchball festival 2 – 4 .30pm (pick up from Warriner)
	Year 5 Open Evening at Warriner
Fri 1 st May	Non uniform – donations for the Spring festival
Weds 7 th – Fri 8 th May	Class 3 Residential
Thurs 7 th May	Year 1 and 2 multi skills at Warriner – AM in school time – no spectators
Friday 22 nd May	Spring Festival
Thurs 11 th June	Quad kids – year 3 / 4, year 5/6 – pick up from Warriner at 3.30pm
Weds 17 th June	Father's Day stall
Thurs 18 th June	Cricket festival- class 4 – details TBC
Friday 26 th June	Sports Day
Friday 17 th July	End of school year – Leavers service, Broughton church 11am

Message from FOBCS

Dear Parents/Carers,

This term FoBCS are excited to announce our first event of the school year, our Autumn discos. These will be held on Friday 24th October in the school hall, and timings are as follows...

5:00 - 6:00pm for Key Stage 1 (class 1 & 2)

6:15 - 7:15pm for Key Stage 2 (class 3 & 4)

Entertainment will be provided by Pulsation Roadshow (to include games and prizes).

Entry fee will be £3.00 per child (payable on Arbor) and this will include a drink and snack.

Only parent helpers (agreed beforehand) will be permitted in the hall during the discos.

This is the link <https://forms.office.com/e/LxuL2XkLfq>

Deadline for booking will be Friday 17th October.

Many thanks,
FoBCS Team



HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



The October half term is coming to life in a park near you! Join our Youth Activators for free sports and games.

The sessions are inclusive and suitable for kids aged five and over. They are drop-in, so you can come and go as you like.

WHERE YOU'LL FIND THE FUN

BANBURY	Tuesday 28 October: 11am - 12pm Tuesday 28 October: 1pm - 2pm	Chandos Park Princess Diana Park	Multi Skills Multi Skills
BICESTER	Wednesday 29 October: 11am - 12pm Wednesday 29 October: 1pm - 2pm	West Bicester Community Centre park East Bicester Spider Park	Multi Skills Multi Skills





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FARM & FOREST

HOLIDAY CLUB

@ WARRINER SCHOOL FARM

28TH - 30TH
OCTOBER

AUTUMN
HOLIDAY
CLUB




- Wildcrafts
- Den building
- Campfire cookouts
- Meet the animals
- Mud kitchen
- Tree climbing
- Rope swing
- & More!





Warriner School Farm

AM 9am-12pm, PM 1-4pm
& Full-day sessions available:

TUES: KIDS (AGE 6-8)
WED: TWEENS (AGE 9-12)
THUR: TWEENS (AGE 9-12)

Email farm@warriner.oxon.sch.uk or
call 01295 721471 to register

JUNIOR SATURDAY ART CLUB **FOR 8 - 11 YEAR OLDS**

Junior Saturday Art Club welcomes all young creative 8–11-year-olds to enjoy a mixture of art, design, and craft in our specialist art workshops!

You will have the opportunity to experience a range of fun, inspiring and challenging activities in our art studios

Our art studios and facilities are second to none and will provide an inspiring and creative environment for you to explore all sorts of creative disciplines. Come and have fun!

All abilities will be catered for. Activities are varied each series to accommodate returning students.

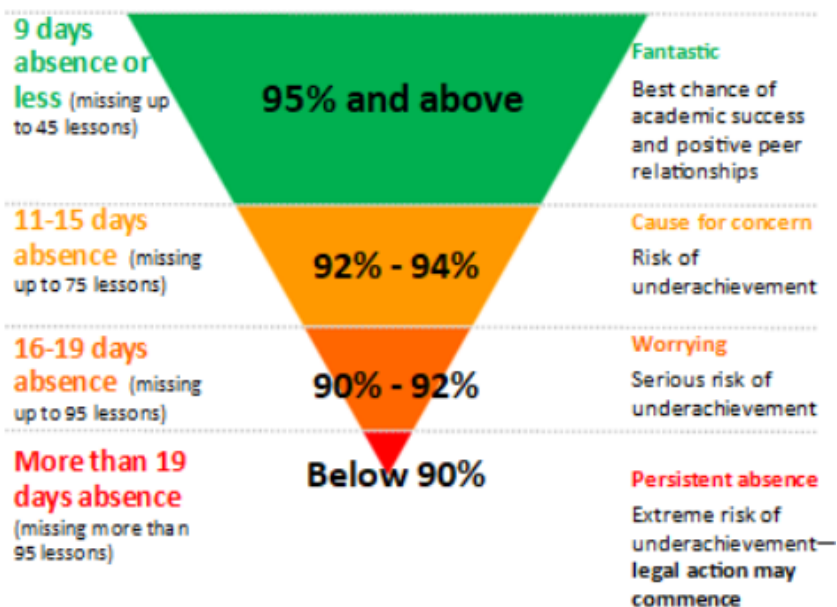
- ▶ Fee: £85 - all materials are included. Parents are very welcome to come along with their child, without extra costs.
- ▶ Timing: Series of 5 Saturday mornings 10am–12pm
- ▶ Date: See website for start date options
- ▶ Location: Banbury and Bicester College, Broughton Road, Banbury, OX16 9QA

For full course information and to enrol visit:
adult.activatelearning.ac.uk/ban-jr-art-club



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190 school days each year/950 lessons



PENALTY NOTICE FINES FOR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS CHANGING

FIRST OFFENCE

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The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child if paid within 28 days
Reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

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SECOND OFFENCE (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The second time a Penalty Notice is issued for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance the amount will be:

£160 per parent, per child to be paid within 28 days. No reduced rate will be offered.

The following changes will come into force for Penalty Notice Fines issued after **19th August 2024**.

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THIRD OFFENCE AND ANY FURTHER OFFENCES (WITHIN 3 YEARS)

The third time an offence is committed for Term Time Leave or irregular Attendance a Penalty Notice will not be issued, and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrates' Court. Magistrates' fines can be up to £2500 per parent, per child. Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on a Parents' future DBS certificate, due to failure to safeguard a child's education.

10 SESSIONS (5 DAYS) OF UNAUTHORISED ABSENCE IN A 10-WEEK PERIOD

Penalty Notice Fines will be considered when there has been 10 sessions of unauthorised absence in a 10-week period.

Please follow the link for the Publication that will start from 19th August 2024.
www.gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance

*******TERM DATES 2025-2026*******

TERM 1

Inset Day Monday 1st September 2025

Inset Day Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Start of Term 1 – Wednesday 3rd September 2025

End of Term 1 - Friday 24th October 2025

TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 3rd November 2025

End of Term 2 - Friday 19th December 2025

(TBC Friday 19th 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 July – Leavers service at 11 am, family picnic afterwards, 1.15pm finish)

Inset Day Monday 20th July 2025

REMINDERS/NOTICES

- 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 \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)
- Please use the office email office.3302@bishop-carpenter.oxon.sch.uk 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 \(warrinermultiacademytrust.co.uk\)](https://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: [Healthier snacks - Food facts - Healthier Families - NHS](#). We do provide a fruit/veg snack for KS1 children for their afternoon break, we are also a nut free school.

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

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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)