



Year 6 enjoyed their Bikeability training course this week from Monday to Thursday. Fortunately, their sessions were in the morning just before the temperature started to rise. They all passed the training and received their badges with certificates. Both of our instructors were complimentary about their engagement and ability, with all demonstrating a good awareness of road safety. Well done to them all.

We have been delighted to welcome back Miss Elliott this week and work is already underway for class 4 play preparations.

Today, we invited Tobias into school to run a Djembe drumming workshop across the whole school. The children enjoyed the experience, making some great rhythms together. Thank you to Oxfordshire music service for providing us with all of the drums.

I don't need to tell you how hot it is I know, but I would just like to remind you about providing children with a water bottle, hat and for them to be wearing sunscreen. We have given out cold ice lollies this week and encouraged lots of shade and rehydration.

You may have been made aware that our renovations are underway for our new library, this has involved the IT room being cleared ready for the decorators, who have been in for the past two days. A huge thanks also to Charlie P's Dad, Steve, for giving his time this week when we needed a last minute change to the electrics. We were deeply saddened at the loss of our friend and Chair of Governors, Charly Henney, last year, and overwhelmed with the generosity that her memorial donations raised to create this special space at BCS, a wish which Charly had for us. I will share the progress of the library over the coming weeks; Izzy, Jack and Rose were really pleased with the plans and met the designer last week too.

The weather looks very promising for Sports Day next Friday and we look forward to welcoming you on the top field for a prompt 1.15pm start. Sensible parking will be available on the top field and you are welcome to bring picnic blankets, sun shades and chairs; there is a possibility that we may ask if a few people have a 'shelter' that we could borrow so we can provide sun protection for our athletes...I will let you know next week. One last request, we ask that the **children wear a top in their house colours for sports day**.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes

Mrs Stevenson

We currently have a Governor vacancy in our dynamic, supportive and friendly group. If you are considering applying and would like a further conversation then please let myself or Chris Hutchins know via the school office.

Stars of the Week

Magnificent Maths:

Effie

Frankie

Una

Brooke

Jaymes

Values - Trust:

Charlie

Matilda

Orelia

Ethan S

House Point Totals

Ospreys	Hawks	Falcons	Eagles
2787	2780	2827	2851

Dates for your diary (updated regularly)

2024/2025

Term 5

Friday 27 th June	Sports Day – from 1.15pm
Mon & Tues 30 th June/1 st Jul	Induction Day(s) at Warriner / BGN / NOA / Wykham Park New Reception children in
Weds 9 th July	New Parents Eve 6.30pm
Friday 11 th July	Celebration assembly – families welcome, 2.45pm
Tues 15 th July	IROCK Concert 2.15pm
Thurs 17 th July	Class 4 play –1.30pm & 6pm
Fri 18 th July	End of year DISCOs
Tues 22 nd July	End of term – Leavers service at 11am , followed by picnic at 12, finish at 1pm

Year 6 Bikeability



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Drumming



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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.

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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 e.james@warriner.oxon.sch.uk **by midday on Friday 6th 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 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

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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 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 \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

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- 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 \(warrinermultiacademytrust.co.uk\)](http://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.
- 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)