



Congratulations to Year 6 for completing their SATS this week. Each morning, they enjoyed a lovely breakfast together ...chatting, making each other laugh and playing some games. In every test we saw a great level of resilience and calmness, we were all very proud of their approach. I also want to say thank you to Year 5 for their patience and understanding throughout the week, they have been very supportive to year 6 and enjoyed a different timetable themselves. Class 1 relocated to class 4 this week whilst the tests were on and enjoyed being in their buddy's room...thank you to Mrs Barron and Mrs Lyons for organising this.

We have enjoyed some lovely weather this week, thank you for your cooperation in ensuring sun cream is applied and hats brought in. Please make sure a water bottle is also, always in school so the children can stay hydrated through the day.

Please take a moment to read the information, from our fabulous FOBCS, regarding the Spring Fair. This is an important event in our fundraising calendar but more importantly a lovely opportunity for our whole BCS family to come together.

Have a nice weekend, best wishes

Mrs Stevenson

\*\*\*\*Good luck to our Basketball squad who are competing in the County Grand Championship Finals in Northampton on Saturday!!! \*\*\*\*

### Stars of the Week

#### A good friend to others:

Elsie H

Teddy O

Tate

Jesse

Albie

Alicia

Jack W

#### Values - Courage:

Rose H

Rex

Jack H

All of Year 6

## **FOBCS Updated**

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

**We are very much looking forward to our Spring Festival next week, here are a few reminders...**

### **Adopt a Teddy**

**Thank you for the donations so far, if you do still have something that you think would be suitable for the stall, please pass to the office by Monday 19th May.**

### **Raffle**

**Just a quick reminder that all raffle tickets, sold (with monies) or unsold be returned to the school office by Monday 19th May at the latest.**

### **Cakes**

**We will be having a cake stall at next Friday's Spring Festival and we would very much welcome homemade or shop bought donations.**

**We have allocated each class the following to donate...**

**Class 1 - biscuits**

**Class 2 - individual cakes**

**Class 3 - whole cakes**

**Class 4 - scones**

**Please bring any donations into the school hall on the Friday morning.**

**A reminder that we are a NUT FREE SCHOOL.**

### **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	Hawks	Falcons	Eagles
2787	2780	2827	2851

**Dates for your diary** (updated regularly)

**2024/2025**

### **Term 5**

Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Class 4 – Northampton – Pig Heart Boy performance
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Spring festival – from 1.30pm
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, <b>PICK UP from Warriner at 3.45pm</b>
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	



**YOUTH ACTIVATORS**  
CHEWELL DISTRICT COUNCIL

# HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

The holidays are 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

<b>BANBURY</b>	<b>Tuesday 27 May</b> 11am-12pm	<b>Chandos Park</b>	Multiskills
	<b>Tuesday 27 May</b> 1pm-2pm	<b>Princess Diana Park</b>	Multiskills
<b>BICESTER</b>	<b>Wednesday 28 May</b> 1pm-2pm	<b>West Bicester Community Centre park</b>	Multiskills
	<b>Thursday 29 May</b> 10am-11am	<b>West Bicester Community Centre park</b>	Multiskills

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# 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 4<sup>th</sup> September 2024

End of Term 1 - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Inset Day**      **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

## TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024

End of Term 2 - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024

(TBC Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christingle service, early finish, 2pm)

## TERM 3

**Inset Day**      **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

Start of Term 3 – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025

End of Term 3 - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

## TERM 4

Start of Term 4 – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025

End of Term 4 - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## TERM 5

Start of Term 5 – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

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

**Bank Holidays – Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2025**

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

## TERM 6

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

Start of Term 6 – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025

End of Term 6 – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025

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

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\*\*\*\*\***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 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**TERM 2**

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

End of Term 2 - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

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

**TERM 3**

**Inset Day          Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

Start of Term 3 – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026

End of Term 3 - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026

**TERM 4**

Start of Term 4 – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

End of Term 4 - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

**TERM 5**

Start of Term 5 – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

End of Term 5 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026

**Bank Holiday (term time) – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**TERM 6**

**Inset Day          Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026**

Start of Term 6 – Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026

End of Term 6 – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

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

**Inset Day          Monday 20<sup>th</sup> 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)
- Please use the office email [office.3302@bishop-carpenter.oxon.sch.uk](mailto: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 end 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)***