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Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM MRS MILES

Dear Parents,

We are nearly at the end of the first half term and it has been great to see all of the learning opportunities taking place. Most notably last week we have an amazing whole school Art and Science Day. Thank you to Mrs Mitchell-Hooper and Mr Morris for all their hard work in putting this together.

As I said in a previous email this week, we are starting Class Dojo after the half term holiday and I have included this information in the newsletter. I have also attached a flyer about a digital well-being app called Luminova for children in KS2.

Have a lovely half term holiday with family and friends.
Best wishes,
Mrs Miles

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ClassDojo

Class Dojo

We are excited to announce that after the half term holiday we will be using Class Dojo. Class Dojo connects teachers and pupils and parents to build amazing classroom communities.

Class Dojo is a great way for you to see in real time, how your child is doing in school. No more, 'what have you done today?' 'Nothing.'

Pupils can gain dojo points for our Cirencester Primary School Code.

This can give you a good idea about your child's learning so you can tell them how proud you are or discuss where they need to improve.

Class Dojo also includes a messaging service.

The messaging within Class Dojo is a great way to contact the class teacher and discuss any issues that may arise or to ask any questions you have.

Class Story

This gives you a great insight into what your child is doing at school on a daily basis. The class page will still be updated weekly but the Class Story can give you a 'Facebook style' timeline to see what activities have been going on in the classroom on a day to day basis.

Here is the link for you to join your child's class, teacher's will approve all connections:

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=school&schoolID=5620a80ae36217c26b1b732d>

Each child will have an Avatar which will hatch after the half term holiday when I have introduced the site to the children.

In the meantime, please can you join your child's class and download the Class Dojo app to your phone and we will give you more information about using the app in the days and weeks to come.

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Maria Miles
Head teacher
Cirencester Primary School

Poppies will be available from the Office the W/c 4th November



W/E 25.10.24				
Biggest improvement in accuracy over the past 2 weeks				
Years 1 & 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
1. Poppy 2. Meadow-Skal 3. Adellina	1. Indi 2. Jasmine 3. Josh O	1. Finley S 2. Dominic 3. Thiago	1. Sienna 2. Dillon 3. Logan	1. Bonnie-Rose 2. Jacob 3. Lacey
Whole school top 3: 1. Indi 2. Finley S 3. Dominic		Biggest improvements over the term: 1. Lorenzo 2. Makenzie G-P 3. Jasmine R		

value Awards

18th & 25th October

Class	Values Award 18.10.24	Values Award 25.10.24	Half-term Hero 25.10.14
Nursery	Harriet Tabitha	Albert Annabelle	Francis Aadhira
RA	Elsie May-Belle	Emmeline Evelyn	Alyssa
RB	Jake Jayden	Lilly Finley	Evie
1/2A	Sanusha Malika-Rae	Nathan Jacob	Hridaan
1/2B	Emma Jenna	Blake Indigo	Ellie-May
1/2C	Jasmine Dharshan	Ismail Goutham	Jessica
3/4A	Sam G Toby H	Alfie M Reggie B	Toby H
3/4B	Whole Class Ava	Leen Teddy Quinn	Macey
3/4C	Nevon Nya	Finley Lorenzo	Rosie
5A	Calum Poppy	Harriet Percy	Rupert
5B	Talia Ivan	Harper Tianna Lauren	Claudia
6A	Seb Nyla	Aadhya Diego	Kelvin
6B	Belle Flo	Gabriella Charlotte	Theo



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Last week pupils immersed themselves in exploring and creating art and science. We have borrowed some fantastic microscopes from the Royal Microscopical Society and these gave us the inspiration for our whole school project 'Microcosmic Dreams'. Every child created their own petri dish artwork based on what they saw through the microscopes.



Each class then undertook a scientific and artistic investigation of their choice. The artwork and level of scientific enquiry the children achieved was outstanding! It was a day that celebrated the joy of learning through exploration, making connections between artistic expression and scientific discovery



In Reception children explored lots of different types of seeds and made some beautiful paintings of pumpkins. They decorated them with giant seeds inspired by the artist Yayoi Kusama.



Year 1&2 looked at the process of pollination and made stunning collage work inspired by botanical artists.



In years 3&4 Mrs Dalgleish-Smith's were very busy exploring shadows and making stunning silhouette portraits.





Mr Morris's class made amazing moving models of the human body inspired by the artist Giacometti.



Year five explored movement and forces. They created beautiful drawings using repeated images. They also set up an amazing paint pendulum outside!





Year six used collage, acrylic paint, chalk and pastel to create some sensational mixed media artwork. They used their artistic skills to create atmosphere, tone and detail in their work.





letsplaymusic

Let's Play Guitar

On Monday 21st October, pupils enjoyed live music from local musician, Stuart Elwin.

Stuart has been a part of the peripatetic music team at CPS for nearly 20 years (in one way or another). Since his early days teaching acoustic guitar in our school, Stuart has built up his company 'let's play music' to support children eager to learn guitar across Gloucestershire.

Currently, our budding guitarists receive weekly lessons under the excellent guidance of Roi, providing a fun and engaging curriculum around modern music from 'let's play music'.

You should have received a flyer in your child's book bag, but, for more information, or to sign your child up for lessons, go to: <http://www.lpmsignup.co.uk/>



**SCAN TO
SIGN UP!**



If your child has expressed an interest in learning an instrument or you would like more information about what we offer at Cirencester Primary school, please ask Mrs Alvarez or the office staff.

There may be circumstances in which financial support is available.



If you would like to support children in school as a reading volunteer, please could you pop into the office to let us know what days & times you might be available.

General Information and Updates

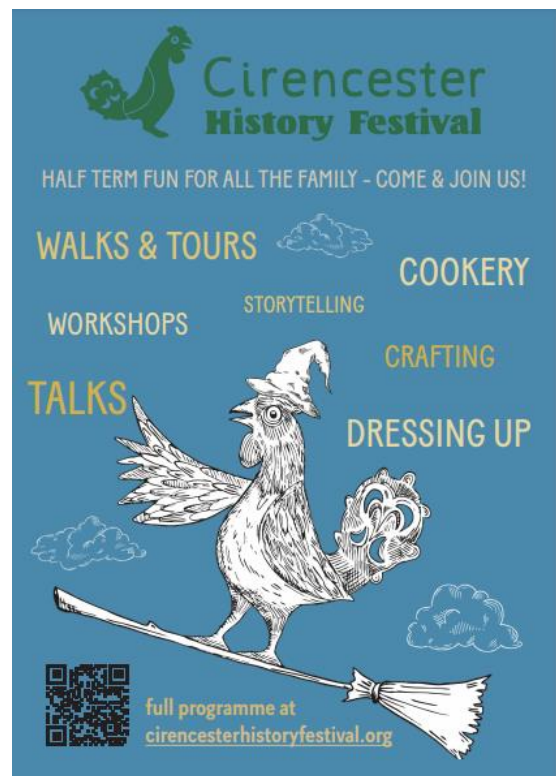
Bikes and Scooters – Please can you remind your child these should not be ridden on the school site.

Naming school uniform - We have lots of uniform without names on, we cannot return items if we do not know whose it is. Please can you name (even if it is with a biro), your child's name or initials.

Sickness – Please can we remind parents that a child that has had sickness or diarrhoea should not return to school or nursery until 48 hours after the last incident.

Headlice – Please check your child/ren's hair regularly for headlice and treat immediately if necessary. Supermarket own brand conditioner and a headlice comb should remove the lice.

Parent Pay - A kind reminder to all families that we are a zero-debt policy school, please ensure that your school dinner balances are topped up.



Dates 2024-25

Friday 25 th October		Last day of term
Monday 4 th November		First day of term
Week beginning 11 th November		Anti-bullying week
Monday 11 th November	9am	Reception phonics talk for parents
Wednesday 13 th November	9am	Churn coffee morning
Friday 15 th November		Children in Need
Friday 22 nd November		Non-uniform Day
Wednesday 27 th November	9am	Churn coffee morning
Week beginning Monday 2 nd December		Last week of clubs
Friday 6 th December	3.15-5.30pm	Christmas Fair
Monday 9 th December		Pantivity at the Baptist Church KS2 1.30pm
Tuesday 10 th December		EYFS production to school 9.30am and to parents 2.30pm
Wednesday 11 th December		EYFS production to parents 9.30am
Wednesday 11 th December	9am	Churn coffee morning
Thursday 12 th December	2.30pm	Rock Steady Concert
Thursday 12 th December		Christmas Discos in hall: EYFS 2.15pm-3.00pm (classroom), Y1/2 3.30pm-4.15pm, Y3/4 4.15pm-5.15pm, Y5/6 5.15pm-6.15pm
Tuesday 17 th December	1.30pm	Y3/4/5/6 Carol Concert at Parish Church
Wednesday 18 th December	2.00pm	Y1/2 Christingle at Holy Trinity Church
Wednesday 18 th December		Christmas lunch
Thursday 19 th December		Finish 1.15pm
Friday 20 th December		INSET



Cirencester Primary
School FOTS
Christmas
Fair

Friday 6th December 2024

3.15pm-5.30pm - Free entry

MEET SANTA, CHRISTMAS RAFFLE,
CHRISTMAS CHOIR, TOMBOLA, CHRISTMAS
GAMES, REFRESHMENTS, CHRISTMAS STALLS
AND MUCH MORE....