



Welcome - Tyler Walsh

Congratulations to Mrs Walsh and family on the birth of their son Tyler, born on Monday, weighing 7lb 7oz. We wish them all much happiness in the wonderful adventure that lies ahead of them.



Parents' Evening

We are really looking forward to welcoming parents back into school for meetings, starting with a parents' evening on Monday. Please bear in mind that it will be a little while longer before we can hold regular events with parents - as much as we would like to!

Next week, parents can choose between a face-to-face meeting with your child's teacher in school on Monday or a meeting on Zoom on Tuesday. Please choose whatever you are most comfortable with. If parents do come into school on Monday, you will need to please follow these guidelines:

- Parents will not be able to enter the building more than 10 minutes before the appointment.
- Teachers will adhere strictly to timings, more than usual, to avoid queues forming. We hope you'll understand if a teacher ends the meeting at the set time.
- Face masks must be worn inside.
- Please sanitise hands on entering the school.
- Please do not attend if you or your family have *any* Covid symptoms.
- All parents will use the main entrance at the front of the school.
- To help reduce numbers, please only bring your children in if you do not have childcare.
- While waiting in the building, please wait at the allocated place, away from other parents.
- There will be no one way system, but please be considerate of others as you walk around the building.

Apologies, but there are a limited number of face-to-face sessions available. If the demand turns out to be higher, we will try and catch up with some parents at a later date.

Request from Oxfordshire Road Safety Team

We want to continue to improve the safety of child pedestrians and so we are reviewing the advice and guidance we provide.

If you are a parent/carer of primary school aged children, please provide us with your feedback by answering the [questions in this survey](#). We would be grateful if you would encourage other parents / carers you know to complete the online questionnaire. The survey should take around 10 minutes to complete and the feedback we receive will guide our future Road Safety work. The survey will remain open until 30th July 2021. Thank you from the Road Safety Team.

Masks outside

Thank you for following our Covid-19 guidelines over the past few months. From Monday, adults do not need to wear masks when outside in the school grounds (unless you choose to).



Gardening Club

Our school gardens are in desperate need of your help! So, as part of a project to rejuvenate our 'green areas', we are launching a competition to transform our gardens into the stimulating, motivating and engaging environments they deserve to be.

To enter this competition all you need to do is evoke your inner Monty Don and submit your garden designs or ideas as an A4 poster, painting, drawing or even model. The Brief:

- Be creative - bear in mind there is not a large budget for this.
- Consider the purpose of the garden and Wildflower Meadow Area - what will they be used for?
- What plants, edibles, vegetables, flowers or features might you include?
- Will you have zones or areas?
- Will you plant in beds, borders, raised beds...?
- How can we show our awareness of 'recycling and reusing'?
- You don't need to produce an entire garden design - you may simply want to suggest an idea, design a flower bed, or part of the garden.
- Your entries can be presented however you like, and there will be a small prize for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place from each year group.
- Please be realistic - this is not the Chelsea Flower Show!
- Deadline for all entries is Tuesday 8th June (1st day back after half-term & INSET). Please hand your designs to your teacher.

This is a brilliant opportunity for you to embrace our Great Outdoors, and 'nurture with nature', whilst also helping us work towards the RHS School Gardening Awards. Take a look at this site to see how other schools have improved their gardens: <https://schoolgardening.rhs.org.uk/competitions>

Thank you to Laura McCarthy and Sally Salter who inspired the idea, and will be the 'workforce', along with Gardening Club - putting your garden ideas into action. Happy 'horticulturing'!

Diary dates

w/c 17 May	Parents' Evenings
Mon 24 May	Y3/4 Stone Age Workshop
Fri 28 May	KS2 Inter House Competition (tbc)
Fri 28 May	End of Half Term
Tues 8 Jun	First Day Back
Tues 15 Jun	Young Voices
Fri 9 July	Infant House Rounders competition
Weds 21 July	Last Day of Summer Term

