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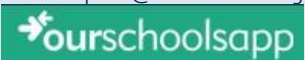
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Dear Parents,

School Funding

Thank you for all your Sainsbury Vouchers. As a school, we have received so far over 56,000 vouchers. This enables us as a school to purchase equipment for the children. I have estimated that the orders so far would have saved the school in the region of at least £3,000.

You will see in the media that school funding and teacher recruitment is a serious agenda. As a school, we look to research and business practice outside of education to support the well-being of our staff so they are able to focus on the right agendas of achieving high aspirational outcomes for pupils. An example of this has been working with Robertson Cooper on a *good day at work* initiative and introducing a pro-active well-being group in school alongside the professional development of our staff on coaching and lesson study.

With regards to school funding, I am determined that as much as possible our pledge to **Enrich, Educate and Equip** will not be affected by these challenges. I believe that children should have a strong curriculum alongside enriching experiences so that they are able to leave this school well prepared for their next educational step; but at the same time, we have to be realistic about the pressures of these two agenda's.

With Governors and the Academy Trust, we are constantly reviewing our budgets and impact of the spending and I am currently working on a business plan for income generation for the school, so we can continue to improve our facilities and opportunities. As parents, the changes you may see are the school asking for **small contributions** to after school clubs and other events.

We will endeavour to be realistic about these *asks*, as I recognise that you are already a very generous community that always supports the pupil's charity causes and the school Aspirations Funds. I will also make sure that no child misses out! There are some key ideas that we are investigating to generate income. Our first idea is to hold a business breakfast meeting with the support from MAGNA on sharing our school vision. The date for the meeting is 23rd May 2016.

If you know of any business that would like to support our school vision, please do contact Alison Gordon (PA to the Head).



The parent council have been proactive with future ideas too and I cannot thank them enough for their work. If anyone has any further ideas to please email myself at head@hanwellfields.org or hfcs.parentcouncil@gmail.com.

Congratulations to the yellow house, they are currently in the lead with 1,027 house points. Well done to all those children that took part in the sporting events – netball and football. Yellow house won both events putting them at the top of the house competition. Watch this space, one more term to go!



Pupils as coaches Project



A group of children in years 5 and 6 have been working on a new initiative in school to develop them as coaches. The training has come from support staff and Space2Think who have worked several afternoons developing the language of coaching using the TGROW Model to help unlock other children's problem solving skills. I look forward to seeing this group grow and the impact of the project. This week has seen the group presenting in assembly all about their work. Well Done!

Please do have a wonderful two week holiday and I look to seeing you on our return for the Summer terms.

Mrs H Paget-Wall Collins
Head Teacher

Attendance:

Whole School – 95% Best Year Group – Year 1 – 99%

Best Class: Upper School – 5HW – 98% Lower School – 1HG - 99%

EYFS –NURA - 99%

Nbr 100% - 335 Nbr Lates – 28



Future events...

School Summer Fete - Saturday 8th July 2pm - 4pm.

If you would like a stall at the event please email Rebecca Lister (address below)

Or if you are able to offer a raffle prize or gift please email Rebecca Lister

Thank you for your continued support

Rebecca Lister

Aspirations Lead/ Higher Level Teaching Assistant

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Dates for diary.....

7th April End of Term 4 – Check with Bridges and Ladybirds for holiday care if required (Please remember that Bridges is closed w/b 17th April 2017)

24th April Start of Term 5

27th April Music for Schools – Parent Workshop 6.30pm

8th-10th May Year 4 Residential – Frontier Centre, Northants

Chitter Chatters will be starting after the Easter break in Term 5. Please come and put your name down if you wish to attend.



Easter Challenge 2017



<p>Wild Challenge! Take part in the RSPB Love Nature's Wild Challenge www.rspb.org.uk</p>	<p>Get crafty Design and grow your own cress head family. Include step by step instructions and final photo</p>	<p>Shake it up! How many individual words can you make using only the letters from 'Easter Holidays'?</p>	<p>Be Amazed by Science Conduct an 'eggsperiment'. Include your equipment, method, prediction and results</p>
<p>Get artistic! Draw, colour and label a picture of each of the following cycles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insect • Frog • Mammal 	<p>Book review Visit your local library and borrow a book. Don't forget to pick up a review sheet before you leave!</p>	<p>Write a report Visit at least 2 Learning Destinations and write a short report about what you learnt and enjoyed the most</p>	<p>Learn about Spring Create a Spring Collage poster highlighting all the signs of spring</p>



Collect extra Children's University credits during the Easter break by completing this challenge. Each activity is worth 1 credit, when you take evidence of your activity to your teacher or local CU. This could be a photograph, video, a work sheet, or writing about what you did! Any questions? contactus@childrensuniversity.co.uk

Amazing Easter Activities @



Running from April 10th 2017 until April 20th 2017

All activities include breakfast and lunch - 10:00am - 3:00pm breakfast from 9:30am

Survival Skills

Get your hands dirty and learn the basics to survive outdoors:

- Campfire cooking
- Bush tucker trials
- Cray Fishing
- Den building and more!
- £100 for 3 days 18th - 20th



Off - Road Motorbikes

Learn to ride off road and safely maintain and service a motorbike

- All safety gear provided
- ACU trained instructors
- For beginners to intermediate riders
- Ages 8 - 18
- £140 for week 1 (10th - 13th)
- £110 for week 2 (18th - 20th)

www.traxorg.com

Activity Days

Exciting activity days including:

- Archery
- Quad biking
- Team games
- Cooking
- £35 per day
- Tuesday 11th and Weds 12th only

We are located opposite the Pear Tree Park and Ride, OX2 8JR
For availability and booking please email admin@traxonline.co.uk or call Emily on 01865 318040
Registered Charity No: 1013246



PRESS RELEASE

Local Volunteer to Build Crèche in South Africa

In October of this year, fifteen volunteers from around the UK will travel to the Tsusulushaka region of South Africa to help build a crèche and drop-in centre for vulnerable children.

Included in the group is Kirstie Darnell, from Banbury, who has to raise a minimum of £3000 to participate in the project. "In that part of South Africa, 57% of children under the age of 18 have experienced some form of violence - mostly sexual - in the last 12 months," explains Kirstie. "In that area, parents work all day, but the children only attend nursery and pre-school until lunchtime, leaving them wandering the streets and vulnerable to horrific abuse in the afternoons. Incredibly, this abuse usually comes from someone they know. The crèche and drop-in centre we are helping to build will provide somewhere safe for the children to go until their parents can collect them. They also get fed, and for some of them it's the only hot meal they get each day."

The project is co-ordinated by international charity World Vision, who have already built 42 schools, 24 crèches, and 24 drop-in centres in the Tsusulushaka province. They work closely with the local people as well as overseas volunteers to ensure the projects they fund are of lasting value to the African communities. "There are 15 of us going from the UK, and it will be a real test for us," adds Kirstie. "First, we have to raise the money to build the buildings ahead of our arrival and then we will actually work on the crèche and drop-in centres in what will be very difficult conditions because of the heat and limited resources available. We're looking forward to the challenge, though!" The picture above was taken on their first training weekend where they worked in the local community.

To raise money, Kirstie is organising a black tie ball, to be held at the beautiful Old Shire Hall in Warwick, at 7.30 pm on Saturday 27 May. Guests will be served a delicious three-course meal, and entertainment will come from a Michael Buble tribute act, with a DJ for after-dinner dancing. There will also be a raffle and an auction to help boost funds for the children in South Africa.

Tickets are just £60 per person, and available from Kirstie directly. She would also love to hear from anyone who can donate a prize for the raffle and/or auction. Contact Kirstie on 07967 399449, or via email: kirstie@knrjewellery.co.uk. You can also make a donation online at www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/purpleaid. More information about the project is available at www.purpleaid.co.uk.



Sports, PE and Afterschool Academy

Football - Another excellent term of football for all age groups. The year 1's and 2's coming to terms with the game and getting a clearer understanding of where they need to be. Year 3 & 4 played a high paced exciting match against Bishop Loveday with some great talent being shown which bodes well for next season. Year 5 & 6 have improved enormously over the year finishing up with a superb display against Hill View which ended in a 2-2 draw.



Netball - After a slow start the netball team has grown in confidence and skills gradually gelling into a good team structure. We've had fewer fixtures this year but performed well in the North Oxfordshire festival finishing 3rd in our pool. The best performance came against St John's Priory who we beat for the first time.

Gymnastics - Children from across the age ranges were selected to represent the school in the first North Oxfordshire gymnastics meeting at the end of the term. With very little practice the children were able to perform a floor routine and a vault with great skill and confidence. For most children this was their first experience of competitive gymnastics and Annabel Pilkington put in an excellent display to come first in the floor.

In other sport we have competed in a year 4 football tournament, a year 5 hockey tournament and a year 2 multi skills festival.

Inter-House Football and Netball - Some excellent organisation from the year 6 house captains led to hotly contested inter-house netball and football matches at the end of term. Children from year 3 – 6 competed for their houses in great-spirit and with huge enthusiasm. In the end, after penalty shoot-outs and last second goals the final places were:

Football	
4 th	Green
3 rd	Red
2 nd	Blue
1 st	Yellow

Netball	
4 th	Blue
3 rd	Green
2 nd	Red
1 st	Yellow

Terms 5 & 6 - Next term we will be working on cricket, rounders and of course athletics. Reception sports day is in the morning of Thursday 6th July and for the rest of the school it is on Monday 10th July. Get these dates in your diary so you can come along and support your child(ren). There are lots of competitions and matches coming up in cricket, multi-skills, rounders, athletics and tag rugby so another busy term ahead.

Mr Townsend