

NEWSLETTER

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From the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a wintry new term and we wish you are a very Happy New Year. We hope that you all had a good Christmas break and look forward to working with you and your children during 2010.

We welcome Mr. Mcloughlin to teaching Y3 this term as Mr. Dibben has moved to Y6 to replace Mr. Laurie who left at the end of last term. Thank you to all the parents who took part in our Christmas celebrations. The assemblies in each Key stage were fantastic and the Christingle at St. Francis Church was a lovely service.

Thank you to everyone for bearing with us over closure during the extreme weather conditions we have had recently lets hope things continue to improve! In addition to local radio and the Oxfordshire County Council website we shall now have a notice-board on our school website for urgent messages.

Whilst we are still having cold, wet and snowy weather please can we ask that all children have appropriate warm coats and waterproof footwear. If the children are wrapped up well and can remain dry we can then allow them out to play during the morning and at lunch times.

Teachers will be sending their curriculum newsletters any day now to inform you of what the children will be learning over this term. Please support your child by helping them with homework, reading and spelling practice etc as this really does make a difference.

Our successful Family Links Course is nearing an end and we plan to offer another course during terms 5 and 6. These will be offered in the early evenings to give opportunities to working parents. We shall also be offering other workshops on supporting your children in their learning and with transition. Please watch out for letters about these.

Yours sincerely

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P.S. I would particularly like to draw parents attention to the important information notice on internet safety/cyber bullying in this newsletter.

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Cyberbullying

It has come to our attention that a growing number of children are accessing websites unsuitable for their age group at home. The internet is integral to the lives of children of all ages. It opens up new opportunities and is now an essential part of their every day world whether they are using it for homework, to talk and share materials with their friends or for a multitude of other uses that are legitimate and beneficial in so many ways. However, there is an increasing problem on the Internet of cyber bullying where people access chat rooms and social networking sites and bully people online.

Many websites have age limits on them in an effort to protect young children and by ignoring these age limits your child could potentially be at risk. Some of these websites are:

Facebook - which has an **age limit of 13 years and older**;

Runescape - again, this has an **age limit of 13 years or older**;

My Space - which has an **age limit of 14 years or older**;

Bebo - which has an **age limit of 13 years of older**;

Habbo Hotel - is advertised as a '**hang out for teens**';

Club Penguin - which has many games, although there is a chatroom facility.

As well as these gaming and social networking sites there are Instant Messaging tools such as MSN messenger. These allow people to chat to friends online. Unfortunately, people may be able to acquire an e-mail address and add them as a friend and chat to your children.

This letter is not intended to scare you into not allowing your child to use the Internet; it is to inform you of the potential dangers. It is essential that you monitor your child's Internet use and have an open relationship with them so that if they do come across something inappropriate they will feel comfortable in coming to talk to you about it.

There are some very good websites available that gives you very good advice about how to support your child's Internet use and ensure their safety. These are:

www.thinkyouknow.co.uk

www.kidsmart.org.uk

www.safekids.co.uk

If you have any queries or anything you would like to discuss with me please do not hesitate in coming in to see us.

Emergency School Closure

Should it be necessary to close the school and Bridges due to severe weather, please listen to **Radio Oxford (95.2)**, **Heart FM (102.6/97.4)** or **Banbury Sound (107.6)** radio stations or visit our own website at www.hanwellfieldscommunityschool.org.uk for information.

Thank you for your co-operation



Bridges Childcare

Provide high quality child care in a safe environment, for children aged 3 - 11 years

Charges:

Term time:	£2.75 per hour (1 st child) £2.25 per hour (2 nd child)
During school holidays:	£19.65 per day (over 6 hours) £13.00 per half day (6hrs or under)

Bridges offer special activities during school holidays. MOVIES AND MUNCHIES, COOKERY CLUB, CRAFTY KIDS etc

Little Bridges—Monday—Thursdays 1—3 pm £4.50 per session (Induction sessions for youngsters in the term they become 3 yrs old)

**Please remember to book your child into Bridges. This is not a drop-in service.
Contact Rachel Anson for more information and to book. Tel. 01295 269931**

Chitter Chatter

The next Chitter Chatter sessions will run after Easter.

To book a place for you and your child please enrol at the school office. Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis.

All sessions run on a Thursday morning from 10.00a.m. to 11.00a.m.

Sessions are now held in the school rather than the community centre.

Swimming lessons for disabled children

Hello my name is Lorraine Lockhart. I am a disability officer for Banbury Swimming Club. We are currently offering swimming lessons on a Sunday morning at 8am at the new Spiceball Centre with a qualified teacher for young people from the age of 4 to 18 with disabilities.

.Please ring 01295 276514 for more information.

Missing Uniform

Would you please check that you do not have any uniform at home belonging to another child.

Several parents have informed us that items of uniform /lunchboxes/footwear etc have gone missing from classrooms.

We can only assume that these items have gone home by mistake with another child.

If you do find any such items, please take them back to your child's class as soon as possible.

Always put your child's name in anything they bring to school!

Car Parking

Can we remind you not to park in the car park.

Parking is available in the area outside the Community Centre or shops. Alternately you could leave home a few minutes earlier and walk to school.

It is important that your child/children know when they come to school, who will be collecting them at the end of each day. Children and their teachers need to know at the start of the day, who will be collecting them at the end of school.

Please do not ring the school unless you have an emergency and need to change collection arrangements. Please make your arrangements before dropping your child/children off at school.

Thank you in anticipation of your co-operation

Week 18 (18th January 2010)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Cowboy Casserole	Home made Burgers	Chicken Korma	Pepperoni Pasta	Fish Fillets
Veggie Cowboy Casserole	Veggie Burgers	Vegetable Korma	Tomato Pasta	Mushroom Pie
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Croquette Potato	Potato Wedges	Rice	Garlic Bread	Chips
Sweetcorn	Carrots	Broccoli	Green Beans	Peas
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Week 19 (25th January 2010)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chilli Con Carne	Butchers Sausage Hot Dogs	Macaroni Cheese and Bacon	Home made Fish Cakes	Homemade Pitta Pizzas with various toppings
Vegetable Chilli	Veggie Hot Dogs	Macaroni Cheese	Cheese and Tomato Quiche	Homemade Pitta Pizzas with various toppings
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Rice	Potato Wedges	Garlic Bread	Sauté Potatoes	Baked New Potatoes
Peas	Carrots	Sweetcorn	Mixed Vegetables	Broccoli
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Home made soup will also be available.

Please note that fresh vegetables and other ingredients are used where possible (in season and at reasonable cost)

As lunch numbers have now increased lunches can not be ordered daily due to the logistics of catering for high numbers

Please pay for hot lunches at reception in advance on a Friday for the following week.

The correct money should be in an envelope with your child's name and days required clearly marked. Money will not be accepted unless in an envelope. Money can also be paid by debit/credit card either in reception or by telephone.

NB. Lunch will always be given in exceptional circumstances.

Thank you for your co-operation

Dates for your diary

Fri. 12th February End of Term 3
15th - 19th February Half term - School closed. (Bridges open, please book)

Monday 22nd February Term 4 begins
During term 4 Nursery, Y1, Y4 and Y5 will receive their annual written reports.
During the week beginning 1st March pupil progress meetings for Y6, Y2 and Y3
Thursday 1st April End of term 4
2nd April - 16th April Easter Holidays - School closed (Bridges open, please book)

Monday 19th April Term 5 begins
Monday 3rd May May Day bank holiday - School and Bridges closed
10th May - 14th May KS2 SAT's week
Friday 28th May End of term 5
31st May - 4th June Half term - School closed (Bridges open 1st - 4th June please book)

Monday 7th June Term 6 begins
During term 6 YR, Y2, Y3 and Y6 will receive their annual written reports.
During the week beginning 5th July pupil progress meetings for Y1, Y4 and Y5
Thursday 22 July End of term 6