# BCS NEWS

## 31st January 2025



A few reminders to start our newsletter this week

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 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.

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.

Our School Council have met this week and have decided to spend the profit on the Christmas card sales on play equipment to use in the outside classroom. They are now working on storage options and deciding on their shopping list.

Year 6 had a great trip to Oxford yesterday to take part in the 'Junior citizen' activity at the fire station. They worked in groups to address different scenarios about keeping safe. This included keeping safe on line, besides water and when meeting strangers. They had to make 'on the spot' decisions and coordinate calls to the emergency services where appropriate too. They travelled on the train to Oxford, accompanied by Miss Elliott and Mrs Breslin, and really enjoyed the experience.

A reminder that we have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor if you know anyone who is interested and has an hour and half available every day or a few days during the week.

Have a lovely weekend....6 Nations time!!!

Best wishes.

Mrs Stevenson



**Stars of the Week** 

Whizzy writing: Theo D Tate Una

Pippa Poppy Alfie Elias

Values - Comapassion: Archer Freddie W Jaymes Tegan

### **House Point Totals**

Ospreys	<mark>Hawks</mark>	Falcons	<b>Eagles</b>
1662	1658	1730	1630

Dates for your diary (updated regularly)

#### 2024/2025

#### Term 3

Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> Feb T1 rugby festival -AM - at The Warriner - TBC

Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2.45pm Celebration assembly, families welcome

End of term 3

Mon 24<sup>th</sup> Feb Start of term 4

Fri 7<sup>th</sup> March 2.45pm Celebration assembly, families welcome

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> March 2.45pm Celebration assembly, families welcome

Weds 26<sup>th</sup> March Mother's Day stall

Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> April Parent consultation

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1.30pm & 6pm Class 3 play

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> April Easter assembly from 2.35pm – families welcome

End of term 4

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> April Start of Term 5

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> April Year 5 bench ball competition at Warriner – 4.30pm finish

Year 5 Open evening at The Warriner

w/b 12<sup>th</sup> May Year 6 SATS

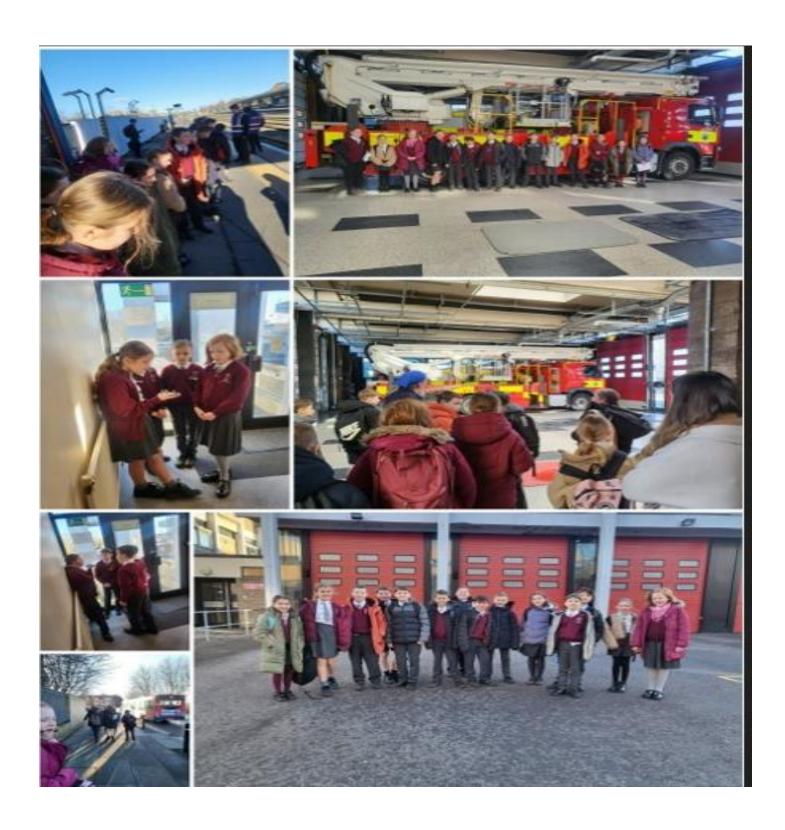
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May Spring festival – from 1.30pm

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June Sports Day – from 1.15pm

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> July Class 4 play –1.30pm & 6pm

We will continue to invite families to join us for Friday afternoon celebration assemblies, usually fortnightly

## <u>Junior Citizens – Oxford Fire Station - Year 6 – Thursday</u>



## Year 5 World War II cooking research



Contemplative, Compassionate and Courageous

## Reception - Forest School



### **Freddies Futures**

We are still collecting stamps!

Here is a message from Nicole, Mum of Stanley in year 2:

'Stanley is in year 2 at the school, and has a big brother called Freddie who is 10 years old. Freddie is a bit of a hero and has been through way more than any child ever should. At just 6 years old he was diagnosed with a type of bone cancer called Ewing sarcoma. He spent 9 months going through the gruelling treatment attached to this awful childhood cancer.

You can read his full story here <a href="www.bcrt.org.uk/freddiesfuture">www.bcrt.org.uk/freddiesfuture</a>

We started our charity - Freddie's Future (part of the Bone Cancer Research Trust) once treatment was over as we couldn't believe how little funding there was, and have been fundraising to better treatment for children like Freddie ever since.

As part of our fundraising, we have various stamp collection points for people to put their used stamps in, which can then be sold to raise funds. We are very grateful to Bishop Carpenter for volunteering to be a collection point for us, and hope we get some nice full boxes very soon!'

So, next time you have a letter in the post (or your neighbours and other family do) pop the stamp into the box in the foyer at school and, together, we can do our little bit to help Stanley's family raise funds for his big brother's charity.

Thank you, Mrs Stevenson

### **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 4th September 2024

End of Term 1 - Thursday 24th October 2024

Inset Day Friday 25th October 2024

#### TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 4th November 2024

End of Term 2 - Friday 20th December 2024

(TBC Friday 20th Dec – Christingle service, early finish, 2pm)

#### TERM 3

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

Start of Term 3 – Tuesday 7th January 2025

End of Term 3 - Friday 14th February 2025

#### **TERM 4**

Start of Term 4 - Monday 24th February 2025

End of Term 4 - Friday 4th April 2025

#### TERM 5

Start of Term 5 – Tuesday 22nd April 2025

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

Bank Holidays - Monday 21st April 2025

Monday 5th May 2025

#### TERM 6

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

Start of Term 6 - Tuesday 3rd June 2025

End of Term 6 - Tuesday 22nd July 2025

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

## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*<mark>TERM DATES 2025-2026</mark>\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### 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 24th October 2025

#### TERM 2

Start of Term 2 - Monday 3rd November 2025

End of Term 2 - Friday 19th December 2025

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

#### TERM 3

Inset Day Monday 5th January 2026

Start of Term 3 - Tuesday 6th January 2026

End of Term 3 - Friday 13th February 2026

#### TERM 4

Start of Term 4 - Monday 23rd February 2026

End of Term 4 - Friday 27th March 2026

#### TERM 5

Start of Term 5 – Monday 13th April 2026

End of Term  $5 - Friday 22^{nd}$  May 2026

Bank Holiday (term time) - Monday 4th May 2026

#### TERM 6

Inset Day Monday 1st June 2026

Start of Term 6 - Tuesday 2nd June 2026

End of Term 6 – Friday 17th July 2026

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

Inset Day Monday 20th July 2026



#### A member of Warriner Multi Academy Trust

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Headteacher: Mrs Nichola Stevenson

#### **Lunchtime Supervisor**

We are currently seeking an enthusiastic Lunchtime Supervisor to join our Lunchtime team. This is a permanent position for 7.5hrs per week, Mon-Fri 11.45am to 1.15pm each day, term time only. The position will be Grade 2 Point 2 £23,656 Pro Rata. Actual Salary £4,009

#### What we are looking for someone who has:

- Motivation and a true passion for education
- High expectations of themselves and the children
- Initiative, dedication, and energy
- Good communication skills and the ability to work as part of a Team

#### What we offer:

- happy, well-behaved children, who are keen to learn and enjoy school
- the support of highly motivated and supportive team of colleagues
- supportive parents, directors and governors
- A clear staff well-being strategy package that includes our confidential Employee Assistance Programme with access for all staff to Face to Face Counselling, Stress Management, 24/7 GP access, Physiotherapy, Menopause Counselling and Support, Men's Mental Health Wellness, Bereavement Support, Nurse Support Service, Maternity & Paternity Support and Financial Wellbeing Support

#### **Application Procedure**

A job description and application form is available from our website: <u>Vacancies - Warriner Multi-Academy Trust</u> (<u>warrinermultiacademytrust.co.uk</u>) or via email <u>recruitment.4007@warriner.oxon.sch.uk</u>

If you would like to discuss the role or find out more, please contact Nikki Stevenson, Headteacher on

Head.3302@bishop-carpenter.oxon.sch.uk

Please note we can only accept CVs as supporting documentation when submitted along with a fully completed school application form.

Closing date: Wednesday 29th January 2025 at 1pm

We may interview and appoint a suitable candidate before the closing date

All schools within the Warriner Multi Academy Trust are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and requires all staff and volunteers to share and demonstrate this commitment. The successful candidate will have to meet the requirements of the person specification and will be subject to pre-employment checks including an enhanced DBS check and satisfactory references. Please be aware that, we may carry out an online search, on shortlisted candidates only, in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education in order identify any incidents or concerns which are publicly available online. The Warriner Multi Academy Trust is an equal opportunities employer. It is an offence to apply for certain roles within schools if you are barred from engaging in regulated activity relevant to children. This post is exempt from the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act (1974).

### **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
- A reminder not to wait for children out on the road at the end of school
- 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)
- Please use the office email <u>office.3302@bishop-carpenter.oxon.sch.uk</u> 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)

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)