

Newsletter - Summer Term 3
Week 3

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Dear Parents and Carers

Ramadan Mubarak to those of you observing Ramadan.

One of our students, Joesph has arranged a walk on both sites to raise money for Save The Children. The walk will take place on Monday and slips will be in diaries today. If your child would like to take part, please send them in with a pound.

We have had a really exciting day with an architect coming in to get ideas from a group of our students on what they would like built in the local area. As you can imagine, we were able to give her some very creative ideas!

A huge thank you to Elishba Singh who is very close to raising her target of £500 for the school. She has been cooking chicken curry all week and delivering it to businesses in London and to our school. We are hugely grateful to her for all her work.

Have a great weekend

Best wishes

Lucy

Student of the Week

Orange: Jack	Purple: Blesing
Blue: Isa	Red: Abdullah
Yellow: Jack W	Green: Stas
Bronze: Matias	Silver: Julian
Gold: Jack G	Copper: Zohaib
Platinum: William	

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 14th May – Sounds Wild Key Stage 3

Tuesday 21st May – Sounds Wild Key Stage 1

Friday 24th May – Finish for half term

Shaping the Future of Blackbird Leys

There is a regeneration project to develop the district centre and land at Knights Road. Some of our students have taken part in a workshop to input to this today. If you have any thoughts, please email the school enquiries email address and we will pass them on.

Allotment

Mabel Prichard School was chosen by the Howe trust to be the beneficiaries of four raised beds at the Howe trust allotments in Wheatley. This amazing donation is enhancing the opportunities of learning and development for our pupils with special educational needs. A group from our key stage 3 department and a student from Post 16 have started weekly sessions, starting with digging land ready for planting, and planting potatoes, salad vegetables, carrots and strawberries in the raised beds. The environment at the allotment is peaceful and quiet and has great views across Wheatley. It also gives our student the benefits of learning outdoors, which is beneficial for enhanced personal and social communication skills, increased physical health, enhanced mental and spiritual health enhanced spiritual, sensory, and aesthetic awareness.

Members of the neighbouring allotments have donated plants and seeds to grow as well as helping to water and cover young plants. The students have had a great time each session and have really started to learn what it takes to successfully grow their own produce.



ADVIZA

On Friday the 17th May, Siobhain O'Toole from ADVIZA is meeting with parents 1:1 to discuss their child's options when leaving school. If you would like to book an appointment with her between 1.30pm and 2.30pm or from 3pm to 3.45pm then please email Amanda Makoka to arrange and appointment at amakoka@mabelprichard.org

The students will be presenting the work they have done with ADVIZA in a sharing assembly on the secondary site on Friday 17th May at 2.30pm. We hope that you can come along to see what they have been doing.

A poster for the Buddy Ensemble, an Oxfordshire County Music Service initiative. The poster features two young boys in the foreground, one with his arm raised. The text on the poster includes: 'OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY MUSIC SERVICE', 'BUDDY ENSEMBLE at the Centre for Music, Oxford', 'Singing, band and orchestra, for children 10-15 years old with special educational needs/disabilities & their secondary school aged buddies', 'COME ALONG!', '18.05.19 2PM - 4PM', '06.07.19 2PM - 4PM', 'Apply today: Music.service@oxfordshire.gov.uk 01865 816990'. At the bottom, there are logos for OxMusicService, OMEP, and the Arts Council England.