

Newsletter - Summer Term - Week 6

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Message from the Headteacher



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to our bumper edition of the newsletter. We have done this because we have had such an action packed week.

Firstly, we took part in the Cowley Road Carnival on Sunday, where students, parents, staff and even our chair of governors, dressed up as aliens and looked amazing. On Wednesday, five of our secondary students performed in a revival of the Oxfordshire Buddy Choir at Blenheim Palace. They recreated a scaled down version of the performance at The Royal Albert Hall and brought more tears to everyone's eyes. On Thursday a number of students from secondary went to Wembley to the Rock Assembly. They attended the Futures Fair, then saw bands such as Razorlight and Professor Green. Today we have had sports day on both sites and it has been so good to see all our students enjoying sport and trying their best. Tonight we have the FoMP disco at 6.00pm in the Primary Hall, so the busy week is not yet over!

We are looking forward to our Early Years and Key Stage 1 Teddy Bears' picnic next week at 1.30pm. The new Early Years and KS1 lead, Jess Beasley will be there, as will the new Blue and Yellow Class teachers, Kasia Kawolska and Jo Bridson. Parents are welcome and should have received separate details.

We would like to say a huge thank you to Damian Haywood, who will be stepping down as Chair of Governors at the end of this academic year. I am sure a number of you are aware, Damian is a local councillor, a parent at the school and chair of a charity, as well as having a full time job. He has given the school many years of service and we are really grateful. Damian will stay on as our local authority governor and chair of our resources committee.

We are also saying goodbye to our vice chair of governors, Jason Smith, who has also given the school many years of service. He has many commitments with his full time job and he and his wife are going to run the Headington Market. We are exceptionally grateful for all the work he has put in for the school and hope he stays in touch. We will give you news of our new Chair and Vice Chair after our full governors' meeting on Monday 15th July.

I hope you have all received your letter about your child's class and teacher for next year. Please let us know if you haven't. End of year reports will be sent out next week.

A reminder that we finish on Friday 19th at 1pm and there will be diary slips coming out shortly with lunch arrangements. If you have a child in year 6, or young person in year 14, we do hope you will be able to join us for the leavers' assemblies on 19th. Details will be sent to you individually.

Have a great weekend

Lucy

Cowley Road Carnival

Many thanks to all the staff, students and parents who came along to represent the school at the Cowley Road Carnival procession on Sunday. The theme was 'space' and we paraded wearing our alien hats, space blankets and umbrellas that we made in workshops in the preceding weeks. We joined the parade from Princes Street and walked up to the church, getting lots of cheers and claps from the public lining the streets. It was a fantastic atmosphere and the students coped with the noise and heat really well, giving plenty of waves to everyone. Thanks again to everyone who made this possible - the students had a great time and did their school proud!





Blenheim Palace

This week 5 students had a fantastic opportunity to take part in The Buddy Choir with the Oxfordshire Music Service, held at the spectacular Blenheim Palace.

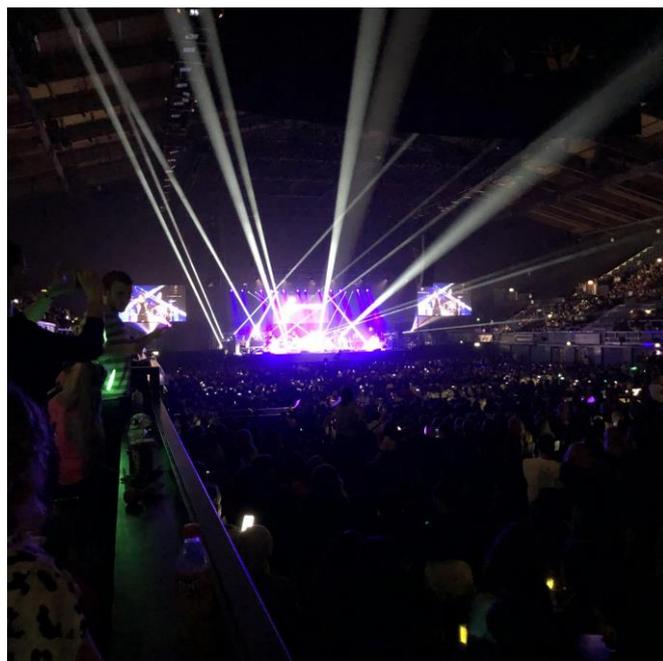
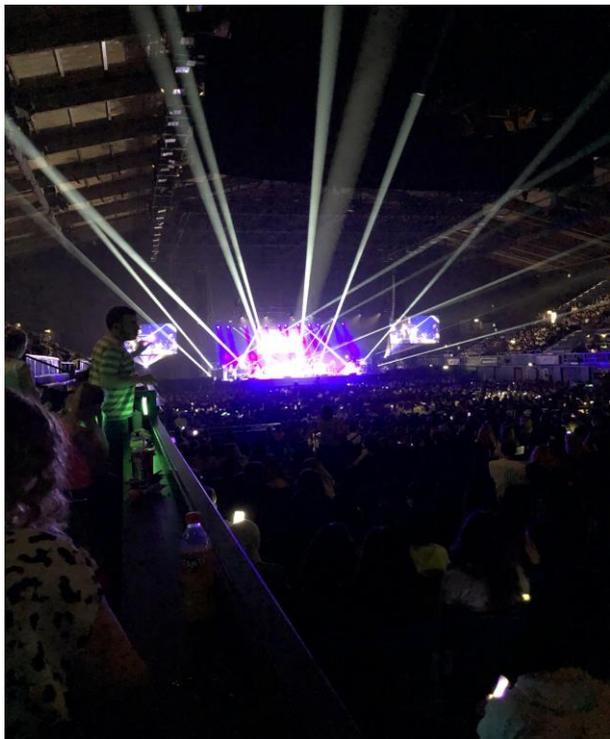
We joined other talents in a repeat performance from The Royal Albert hall last year.



Wembley Arena - Rock Assembly

15 students took part in the UK's largest school assembly at Wembley Arena, London. Rock Assembly is run by the Transformation Trust each year, and many top acts perform. This year we saw Professor Green, Razorlight and other up and coming artists. There was plenty of singing, dancing and fun!

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Sports Day at Mabel Prichard School

Sports happened on both sites today and was very exciting. We had our own version of the Nadal, Federer match, sack racing and javelin on primary and a dressing up race, hockey goals and a get the bean bag in the hoop event. The whole school did a dance warm up and much fun was had by all. It was great to see those of you who could make it watching and cheering the students on.



Student of the Week

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Orange: Sol & Noah	Purple: Blessing
Blue: Jacob	Red: Jadzia & Aariz
Yellow: Mecaiah	Green: David
Bronze: Matias	Silver: Hayley
Gold: Jack	Copper: Oscar
Platinum: Tyler	

Dates for the diary

19th July – Secondary leavers assembly at 11.30am

19th July – Primary leavers assembly at 10am

19th July – School finishes at 1pm for the summer holidays

3rd September 2019 - INSET Day

4th September 2019 - Students back to school