

Bure Park Primary School Newsletter

9th February 2024

School Value for the Term: Kindness

In a blink of an eye we have completed Term 3! It has been a jam-packed term full of different experiences and learning opportunities. This week our Year 5 and 6 children took part in Junior Citizen in Oxford. This is an opportunity for children to be put in different scenarios and work as a team to make the right choices. They learn how to make a 999 call, CPR and all about stranger danger. The children really enjoyed this experience and learned a lot.

Some of our Year 5 and 6 children also took part in the Sports Hall athletics competition at Cooper School this week, they really enjoyed the opportunity to compete in different events against other schools.

Next term we have lots planned, including the Year 3 and 4 production of Wind in the Willows, Year 4 residential, Year 5 and 6 visit to Hill End and lots of Easter activities – including the traditional Easter parade.

Today Mrs Wistow leaves Bure Park to take a position as Senior Teacher at Wroxton Primary School. Mrs Wistow has been at Bure Park for many years and has been pivotal in developing teaching and learning in Maths in the school. She will be sorely missed, but we wish her well on her new adventure and the new opportunities it brings.

I hope you have a lovely half term, enjoy and pancake day! And I look forward to welcoming you back on the 19th February.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Best Wishes

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Footsteps

Finally, the days are getting longer and the weather is beginning to improve, so hopefully in next week's half term you and your children will be able to spend some time outdoors.

Half term would be a great chance for you to use our **Footsteps** programme to begin to support your children in their journey to becoming safer, independent pedestrians and road users.

Our **Footsteps** guide will give you some ideas of how to begin to support your child in developing the decision-making skills that will help them become a pedestrian able to keep themselves safer when they eventually walk to school or a friend's home independently.

If they are ill-prepared, children are more likely to be killed or injured in a road traffic incident, as seen by the fact that the number of child pedestrians injured rises significantly around 10 -12 years of age – the time at which they begin to go out unaccompanied by adults.

The **Footsteps** programme is simple to use as it can be carried out in normal everyday situations such as walking to school or to the local shops. Rather than *telling* children what to do, you are encouraged to *ask* lots of open questions to make the children think about the decisions they are making. Making these decisions safely, while in the company of a supporting adult, will mean they will be better prepared for dealing with roads and traffic once they begin going out on their own.

Learning to cope with traffic is a practical skill, which can't be learnt in the classroom. As parents / carers, you are the best people to help your child develop this knowledge as you spend the most time out and about with them.

It is never too early to start talking to your child about road safety as, having a good understanding of road safety skills, could one day save their life.

Please follow the link to the **Footsteps** guide [Walking with children | 365Alive](#) and start giving your children the skills and knowledge they will need to stay safer on our roads.

Oxfordshire Fire & Resue Service Road Safety Team

Oxfordshire County Council



Scouts Cake Sale

A huge congratulations to Levi, Ethan, Jacob and Jack from Year 6 who organised a cake sale on Tuesday in aid of their scout pack. They managed to raise £171.01. Many thanks to all who bought cakes from them.

Sports Hall Athletics

Yesterday some children from Year 5 and 6 competed in a range of activities at the Cooper School. These included sprint, long distance and obstacle races – as well as- javelin, standing long and triple jump, chest push and speed bounce.

“The races were really fun and it was very competitive!” Oliver – Class 11

“On the obstacle race there were hurdles, they looked massive but when you got to them they were really small!”

Levi – Class 11.

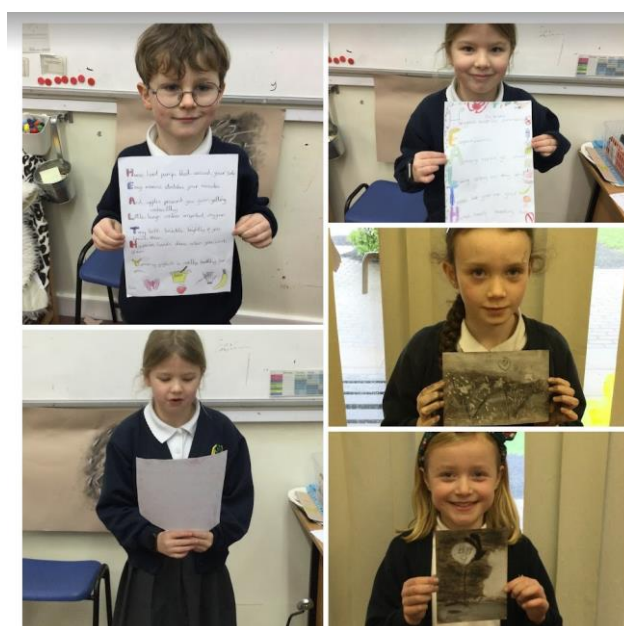
Thank you to Mrs Colquhoun and Mrs Petsa for taking the children.

Focus on Year 3

We have written acrostic poems in English about healthy eating. Today, we performed them to the class.

In art, we are learning to use charcoal - so sorry for sending home some quite grubby children! We have been learning about chiaroscuro (which means light and dark).

Mrs Cowell



Nursery

This week we have celebrated the Lunar New Year (Chinese New Year), which is on Saturday. To prepare for this celebration, we helped to clean the nursery, as this is traditionally part of the preparation. We also put up lanterns, and learnt that red, gold and yellow are lucky colours. We even made our own lanterns! There were 'noodles' and chopsticks in the home corner, and the playdough table had a red, yellow and gold theme. We watched traditional dragon dances - they were amazing! and then we had a go at joining in ourselves. We also made a beautiful class dragon. We had a go at drawing around our hands, cutting them out, then decorated our hand shapes with glitter to make the dragon's scales.



Attendance Figures (%) Monday 5th February to Friday 9th February

Class 1	96.21
Class 2	94.28
Class 3	95.39
Class 4	94.09
Class 5	97.23
Class 6	97.10
Class 7	96.76
Class 8	95.85
Class 10	96.07
Class 11	95.56
Class 12	96.03
Nursery	94.71
Rec A	94.22
Rec B	96.98
Totals	95.84

As a reminder Registration times are as below:

Main School

- 8:35am – doors open
- 8:40am – learning Starts
- 3:15pm – learning ends and doors open
- 3:55pm – teacher led after school clubs end

Reception

- 8:40am – doors open
- 8:45am – learning starts
- 3:05pm – Learning ends and doors open

Nursery

- 8:50am – doors open
- 9am – learning starts
- 12:15pm – AM nursery ends
- 3pm – PM nursery ends



Weekly Awards

Hot Chocolate with the Head

Children who have displayed exemplary attitudes to learning and behaviour are invited to have a hot chocolate with Head on a Friday. This week's attendees were:

- Reception: Archie and Ruxi
- Year 1: Lydia and Tino
- Year 2: Katie and Leo
- Year 3: Archie and Max
- Year 4: Arabella and Harrison
- Year 5/6: Khloe, Danylo and Lily-Rose

Well Done to all!

Reading

Children who have read three times a week are entered into a reading raffle, where they can choose a book from the vending machine.

- Reception: Albie
- Key Stage 1: Finn
- Lower Key Stage 2: Daniel
- Upper Key Stage 2: Leila

Keep Reading!

Times Table Rock Stars

Well done to the following children who have played the most minutes on Times Table Rock Stars

- **Year 3:** Francis, Faye and Reuben
- **Year 4:** Mia, Tom and Lucas
- **Year 5/6:** Gavios, Corte, Cammy



Dates for Diary

- 22nd February – Sharing Assembly 2.30pm Classes 7,10,11
- 28th February – Sharing Assembly 2.30pm Classes 3 and 4
- 1st March – School Disco
- 6th March – Sharing Assembly 2.30pm Classes 5,6,8,12
- WB 11th March – Parent Consultations
- 13th March - Sharing Assembly 2.30pm Classes 1 and 2
- 15th March – Comic Relief – Non-uniform day and Staff v pupils dodgeball.
- 19th March – Y3/4 Production 1.45pm
- 20th March – Y3/4 Production 5pm
- 25th – 27th March – Year 4 Residential
- 28th March – Easter Parade and Finish for Easter Holidays

Sharing Assemblies – Spring Term 2024

2.30pm – School Hall

Date	KS1 and KS2 Classes	Classes Sharing
21 st February	KS2	7,10,11
28 th February	KS1	3,4
6 th March	KS2	5,6,8,12
13 th March	KS1	1,2
20 th March	No sharing assembly due to Year 3/4 Production	





FREE PHYSICAL ACTIVITY SESSIONS FOR CHILDREN

We are training young people to become Active Leaders. As part of their assessment, we are looking for children to take part in fun practical sessions where they will get to try a range of multi-skill games. These sessions are for children age 5 - 11 years old and will be for 1 hour. Parents are welcome to stay during the sessions or drop off/pick up.

Address:

The Cooper School,
Churchill Road,
Bicester,
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Dates:

Tuesday 13th February 2024 2-3pm
Thursday 15th February 2024 10-11am

Register now at:

<https://cherwelldistrict.coordinate.cloud/project/52200>





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To all the pupils and staff at Bure Park Primary School,

A huge thank you to everyone at your school for taking part in this year's Schools Santa Run 2023. Your school raised a fabulous £555! We are so grateful to you for supporting Katharine House Hospice in this way.

The money you've raised will **make every moment matter** for our patients and their families.

From the activities for our patients and their families to support their wellbeing and help them to feel better and happier, to the delicious home cooked food, and the staff who go the extra mile to arrange special moments like birthday parties, sleepovers, movie nights, tractor visits, a Christmas lights switch-on and even weddings!

And guess what, it's not just the money you raised.....we had nearly 30 schools taking part in the Schools Santa Run and together you've raised a whopping £ 10,000, with donations still coming in!

Thank you! We have attached your certificate to display in your reception area to mark your fantastic fundraising achievement.

With very many thanks

Khh Elves ☺

The Katharine House Elves

PS

If you'd like to get ahead for Winter term 2024, we're already taking sign-ups for the Schools Santa Run 2024. Sign up here www.khh.org.uk/santa

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Santa Fun Run



Bure Park Primary School

successfully completed the
Santa Fun Run, laughing all the way – Ho, ho, ho!
and raised £555.00 to support
Katharine House Hospice



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