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Oxford Road Community School Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another term has come to an end. I can't believe we only have one more term until the end of the academic year! This term has involved cluster schools sports events, steel pans performing at the Royal Albert Hall, Gangster Granny trips, Magic maths in FS & KS1, to name but a few of the extra activities the children have been able to participate in. All these help to provide a broad and creative curriculum for your children which we hope they all enjoy. I wish you a restful half term holiday with much sunshine!

Claire Hurst

Oxford Road Summer Fair Arty Party

Keep this date free.....Saturday 25th June 11.30am until 2pm!

We are really looking forward to another summer fair organised by our PET team. It looks to be another fun packed event including Owens animals, face painting, prizes and games, art activities, raffle, jumble sale, international stalls and refreshments.

PET are now in need of your support. They need:

- **International Stalls**

They would like people to come forward to help run a stall representing their country of origin. The stall could display some or all of the following - traditional foods, artefacts, national dress, examples of the language, flags etc. We really want to celebrate and share the amazing cultural heritage within our school community. **Please speak to Monica if you would like to organise a stall.**

- **Tombola**

Chocolate and Sweets!

Lemonade, squash, wine, beer and fizzy drinks,

Tins (soup, beans etc), packets of food, unwanted gifts, toiletries, (they need to be new)

Books, games, toys (they need to be new too!)

- **Jumble sale**

Toys, games, books, clothes (they don't need to be new but in good condition)

- **Café**

Cakes, biscuits and soft drinks will be needed either the day before, or on the day of the fair please.

- **Raffle**

Anything you would like to donate that would make a great raffle prize!

We will also be raising funds by selling unwanted - Jewellery, books and DVDs

If you can support with any of these please bring them to Reception. Many thanks.



Royal Albert Hall Performance

On Sunday 1st May, 6 of our Steel Pan players performed as part of The Berkshire Schools Steel Percussion Orchestra at The Royal Albert Hall. This was part of an event organised by Berkshire Maestros to showcase the wonderful music being performed by Reading Schools. It was quite an event and one I know the children will remember for ever. They were a little nervous but performed brilliantly on the night. There were proud parents and definitely a proud Headteacher!



ORSA

We have just completed ORSA Mission 4 & will be starting #5 - Meteorology- after half term. The Engineering mission has been packed with visiting scientists coming to ORSA - building wind turbines, construction fun, trip to Rutherford Appleton Lab plus the fabulous talk by Astronaut's Handbook author Louie Stowell. We can't believe it is over 5 months since we sat down and watched Tim Peake blast off. We have now done 21 sessions! ORSA is already getting requests to join next year!



Dates For Your Diary	
MAY 2016	
Friday 27 th	Last day of term
JUNE 2016	
Monday 6 TH	Children back to school
Wednesday 8 th	Beech 1 & 2 Pizza Express trip Year 6 University of Monsters visit (Reading University)
Thursday 9 th	Class photographs
Wednesday 15 th	Sports Day
Thursday 16 th	Sports Day back up day
Friday 17 th	Year 1 Assembly 2.30pm Parents Welcome
Wednesday 22 nd	Year 6 Theatre Trip
Thursday 23 rd	SCHOOL CLOSED FOR REFERENDUM
Saturday 25 th	PET Summer Fete
Tuesday 28 TH	Year 5 & 6 Sport event (tbc) Camp meeting - Year 5 & 6 parents
Wednesday 29 th	University of Reading Art and Computing Workshops Year 6
Thursday 30 th	Kath Hutchings Artist Workshops Year 4 & 5
JULY 2016	
Tuesday 5 th	Year 5 & 6 Rushall Farm camp
Thursday 7 th	Beech 1 to the Apple Store Chartwells Picnic Day
Friday 8 th	Year 5 & 6 back from Rushall Farm camp. Reception Class assembly 2.30pm Parents welcome
Tuesday 12 th	University of Monsters Graduation 4.30pm - 5.30pm Fish and Chip night 5-6pm (Tickets available soon)
Wednesday 13 th	Key Stage 2 to Salvation Army
Thursday 14 th	Class Handover Afternoon
Friday 15 th	Camp Assembly Year 5 & 6 2.30pm Parents Welcome
Wednesday 20 th	Year 5 & 6 Production 5pm
Thursday 21 st	Golden Golds Behaviour Assembly 2.15pm Parent Invited
Monday 25 th July	Nursery Closed Year 6 Leavers Assembly
Tuesday 26 th	Nursery Closed School Closes at 1.30pm Last Day of Term
Wednesday 27th July - Monday 5th September School Closed	
Tuesday 6th September- Staff Inset Day	
New Term Starts Wednesday 7th September - children back to school	

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