

PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Friday 17th November 2023

Useful Dates:

November

- 20th Yr 3 Watermill Theatre Trip
- 21st Yr 4 watermill Theatre Trip
- 24th PTA Coffee Morning Chapel
- 24th Yr 5 Watermill Theatre Trip
- 24th Yr 2 Oxford Science Centre
- 28th Yr 6 Watermill Theatre Trip
- 30th Yr 1&2 Pantomime at school Schuman Hall (1.30 - 3pm)

Looking further ahead:

December

- Sat 9th PTA Christmas Fair 11-3pm
- 15th Reception classes to Oxford for a Christmas Show
- 20th Inset Day (NO Children at school)
- 20th Dec Fri 5th Jan 2024 Christmas holidays
- 8th Jan '24: First day back at school

Christmas Concerts

RDE: Wed 13th Dec 2pm (classroom) REE: Wed 13th Dec 2pm (classroom) RFE: Mon 18th Dec 2pm (classroom)

Yr 1: Wed 13th Dec 2.30pm (Schuman)

Yr 2: Wed 29th Nov 9-10am (Schuman)

Yr 3: Wed 6th Dec 11-11.30am (Schuman)

Yr 4: Wed 13th Dec 8.50 - 9.20am

(Schuman) (NOTE: change in date)

Yr 5: Wed 13th Dec 11-11.30am (Schuman)

Yr 6: Mon 18th Dec 10-10.30am (Schuman)

A week to celebrate kindness and Inclusion

The Primary School has focussed on Kindness and Inclusion this week as a response to national anti-bullying week. We want to represent the positive attitudes that are so important to society and show how powerful they can be in maintaining harmony in our school.























The focus on kindness and inclusion has been very positive this week. Children and staff have been discussing what they are grateful for, how they can be more united, how to show respect for each other, and you'll see more than one kindness jar around the school.

General Enquiries: reception@europaschool.uk

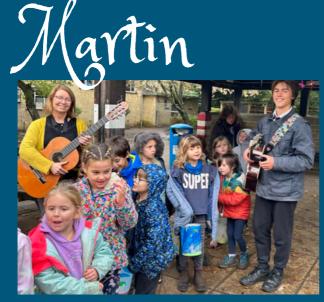
Reception: 01235 524060

Bus related: bus@europaschool.uk

PTA related: committee@europa-pta.org

NEW: Deputy Heads: dhop@europaschool.uk **NEW**





Primary Maths Challenge

All of Year 6 along with some Y5 and Y4 children took part in the Mathematical Association's Primary Maths Challenge on Wednesday. Congratulations to everyone for "having a go" at this set of questions.

German classes from Reception to year 3 led a Key Stage 1 assembly celebrating St Martin last Friday. Their beautifully crafted lanterns matched their lovely singing. A very big compliment to all of our young performers! We watched a film about St Martin made at Europa by Europa children, carrying the message of sharing and kindness of our school values beyond the classroom into the world. The lantern procession around the school was superbly accompanied by Frau Scaber and Joshua Brent, allowing the whole school to join in the celebrations! Special thanks go to Livia and Lily from 3DE for reading out the story in German, and all the fantastic parents who helped out with the Weckmänner baking and selling!



Books Wanted!

Year 2 and 3 are in need of some more illustrated chapter books. We are hoping that some families may be doing a pre-Christmas clear out and may have some books needing a new home!

We are looking for the following series and other similar books:

- Isadora Moon or Mirabelle by Harriet Muncaster
- Marv by Alex Falase-Koya & Paula Bowles
- Claude by Alex T. Smith
- Hotel Flamingo or Big Sky Mountain by Alex Milway
- Too Small Tola by Atinuke

Also, 3DE are particularly looking for copies of The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe.

Please bring to 2FE and we will share between the classes.

We do not need any more Rainbow Magic! Thank you.

https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/topics/literacy-reading/first-chapter-books



PTA NEWS

CHRISTMAS ARTWORK CAN STILL BE ORDERED...

For those that wanted to order their child's christmas artwork, either as cards, tags, or on a mug etc, there is an opportunity to do so. The shop will be open again from 17th - 24th November

> Food Collection for Crisis Oxford Christmas Appeal (Local Homeless Charity).

> > There are two options.

1. There will be a food collection box at the Main reception from monday 20th November to monday 4th December.

2. I will be in school on friday the 24th of November between 8 and 9am at the Thame Lane entrance under the canopy.

It can be biscuits, tea, coffee, chocolates, jams, chutneys, tinned food, soups, squash, dried fruit, cereals, fruit bars, Chrismassy gifts etc.

Last year with your help they were able to support 200 families. So, I hope this year we should be able to support more people!

Many thanks for your cooperation. Zohra





Support Crisis this Christmas

Over the festive period, Crisis Skylight Oxford will deliver wellbeing events and parcels to people experiencing homelessness.

Please help Crisis provide these vital services to people at one of the hardest times of the year by donating items from this list.

There are two options. Please either:

- 1. Bring your donations to the collection box at **reception** from Monday 20th Nov to Monday 4th Dec
- 2. OR bring your donations to the **Thame Lane** entrance between 8 9am on Fri 24th Novemb



Reading Books wanted - Project X Alien Adventures (lower levels) for KS1 - Bands Red, Yellow, Light Blue,

Green, Orange (i.e. before the

'Planet Exis' booksets). if you have

any of these titles (see pic) to

donate.

Needed









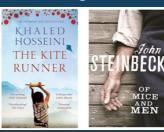




Magazines wanted - Could you donate used (fairly current) copies of any of these magazines to the Primary Library? (See screenshot attached). If yes, please contact Céline Grand or committee. If you have other suggestions for magazine subscriptions, please let us know.













Books needed - Do you have any spare copies of these books needed by English Department? Miss Peregrine, The Hunger Games, Of Mice and Men, Lord of the Flies, The Kite Runner if you have any to donate, please contact a.swigg@europaschool.uk

Kuropa School Christmas Fête

Saturday 9 December 11am - 3pm

Thame Lane, Culham, OX14 3DZ

- Santa's Grotto*
- Magician Show*
- Gingerbread House Workshop*
- Crêpes & Mulled Wine
- Festive Foods & Drinks
- Library Book Sale

- Craft Market Stalls
- ◆ Tombola
- Sweets Stall
- Raffle (see the QR code)
- Face Painting

*Pre-book your tickets on Classlist to avoid disappointment

Europa School, Culham, OX14 3DZ





Caretaker

Join Our Team

Are you a hands-on individual with a passion for maintaining safe and welcoming environments? We're looking for a School Caretaker to ensure our school premises are in top-notch condition.

Salary: Point 10-13 £12.25ph to £12.89 ph

Plus: Generous pension and sick pay benefits

Hours: Full-time 40 hours per week (8 hours a day between, 7am to 6pm, likely to be later shift)

Can you:

Maintain school facilities and grounds?

Conduct safety inspections and address issues?

Monitor security measures?

Assist with cleaning tasks?

Collaborate with staff and service providers?

Contact Anna at applications@europaschool.uk

Or see our website

Europa School UK Primary Chess Club are enjoying developing their skills each Thursday after school. For those keen to practice, recommended books are available in the Primary library, and online resources include: https://www.chessinschools.co.uk/chess-at-home; www.chesskid.com and www.lichess.org.uk - join the 'Europa School UK' online Lichess team.

For girls, there's a 'She Plays to Win' Lichess Battle next <u>Wednesday 22nd</u> <u>November</u>. Also, open to everyone on <u>6th Jan</u> is the in-person Oxfordshire Junior Chess Championship:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfmBnQ4A5CemzE6RpWp-pRYWYaBWoLuYJEVwH345TciKueSGQ/viewform.

Please contact Rebecca (Rebeccabolton@icloud.com) or Victoria (strawsonvicky@gmail.com) to learn more





The Eco Club is launching Wednesdays for the World!







Every Wednesday, avoid single-use plastic in your children's snack boxes to make an impact on plastic use.

Instead, why not add crisps from a bigger packet (instead of small individual packets) or bake cookies to avoid plastic wrappers?

From the morning of
Wednesday 15th November
the pedestrian/cycle gate (by
the Chapel) was changed.
Please come to Reception to
sign for the new code.

Useful Please consign for sign for sign for and Reminders







Opportunity to train as an ARCh Reading Helper

ARCh volunteers work one to one with selected children in a primary school, close to their home or workplace, providing personalised support to boost confidence, build self-esteem and turn around negative attitudes to reading.

We are looking for more people to join us in making a real difference to children's lives.

All volunteers are vetted (including enhanced DBS) and receive initial and ongoing training and support as well as resources tallored to each child.

If you would like to get involved as a volunteer or supporter, or if you work in a school and are interested in our service, please email info@archoxfordshire.org.uk

Please support us - you can donate via https://localgiving.org/donation/arch

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Company number 79622

Ch is committed to Safeguarding and this role is exempt from ROA 1974 and eligible for enhanced DBS certificate/barred list che-

The wet weather is resulting in children getting quite dirty sometimes at break times. We don't have a huge supply of spare clothes so please send in a dry set of clothes especially at this time. In particular, spare leggings/trousers/socks/underwear. It can just be kept in their bags.



The German Mathematical Society is hosting Mathe Im Advent this year - an online Advent calendar that gives out a daily problem to be solved. Participating children in the Einzelspiel automatically take part in a prize draw. We hope some of our pupils will take part. Registering is possible for children from year 4 upwards. Further information can be found at

https://www.mathe-im-advent.de/de/



