



Northbourne News

1st April 2022

A reminder that school finishes for the Easter break at **1:30pm next Friday (8th April)**. We hope you all have a good break and look forward to seeing you for the start of the Summer Term on Monday 25th April.

Once again, today sees a change in the Covid guidance that schools are asked to work within. From this point, children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can come back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. As it will no longer be possible to get Lateral Flow Tests for free, and PCR test sites will close, it will now not typically be possible to identify whether children (or adults) have Covid or another illness. With this in mind, from this point, please continue to be mindful of any symptoms your children may show, and limit their contact with others if they are unwell.

Easter Disco

As we continue to have only very small numbers of children affected with Covid at the moment, I am pleased to say we are able to go ahead with our Easter Discos next Thursday. Tickets will go on sale through ParentMail shortly. As with our Autumn Discos, these will take place from 5 – 6pm for Reception and Key Stage One and 6:15 – 7:15pm for Key Stage Two. Tickets will cost £1.50 and will shortly go on sale through the Shop on ParentMail; physical tickets will not be given out, and instead we will keep a list of those children due to attend.

In line with our Covid risk assessment, and as with our last disco, we will not be able to let parents into the hall to stay with children for either of these discos. Please take this into account when deciding if your child would like to attend as we know that discos can sometimes be overwhelming. We will do our best to avoid this by, for example, making sure the hall is well-lit and the music is not too loud for the younger disco.

After-school club: If your child attends after school club, but still wants to attend the Key Stage One disco, please email the school office (office.3852@northbourne.oxon.sch.uk) and staff will ensure they are taken from after school club to the disco. On Thursday, after school club will meet in the library; please phone them when you get to the main office door to collect your child and they will be brought to meet you.

We hope your child will be able to come along and join in the fun, and thank you in advance for supporting our fund-raising efforts.

Thank you to everyone who supported our Bags 2 School collection this week; we will let you know how much we raised when this is sent to us.

Well done and thank you....

Very well done to Seren; the fundraiser for Young Epilepsy that she planned and ran last week raised £180.10, at the same time as raising awareness of the condition. Seren and her team of friends confidently drew the winners in assembly on Monday and if you were lucky enough to win you should now have received your prize. Well done again to Seren and, as always, thanks to all of you for your generous support.

Class News

- Next Thursday **Eagles** are making alarmed moving vehicles. If pupils could bring in a cereal, shoe or other small box for this, Miss Hill would be very grateful.
- Next week, **Falcons** will have PE on Monday and Wednesday, rather than their usual Tuesday. Please send children to school in their PE clothes on these days.

Class Photos

Our school photographer will be with us on Tuesday next week to take class photos. Please could all children wear their school uniform on this day, rather than any PE clothes. We look forward to sharing proofs with you.

News from St. Peters

Little Fishes meets Monday 4th April for the last time this term at 9am in St Peter's, Newlands Avenue. Come and enjoy a cuppa while the babies and toddlers get to play. Little Fishes will return on 25th April and then again from May 9th.

All are welcome to our two special Easter services:

Children's Easter service: Good Friday 15th April at 10:30am

Easter Sunday service: 17th April at 10:00am

Our Plant Sale and Mini Spring Fair takes place on Saturday 7th May between 10.30-1pm. There will be a variety of stalls and games, so why not call in on your way to or back from town, or pop along for an hour to enjoy some home-made cake and tea and get yourself stocked up with seedlings for the garden.

