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Dear Parents, Pupils, Staff, Governors and Friends of the School,

Welcome back to the summer term which is looking like a busy and action-packed time for us all. Our topic for the term is 'Explore!' and each class has many exciting learning opportunities and activities planned. This week's newsletter does not have individual class news because we are sending home with each child a sheet giving a topic overview for the term for their class. We hope you enjoy reading through what your children will be finding out about over the next twelve weeks. From next week these topic plans for each class will also be on our school website on the curriculum page.

We hope everyone had a lovely couple of weeks over the Easter holiday. This coming weekend is also a long one as **Monday 2nd May is a national bank holiday and school is closed**. Children should return to school on Tuesday 3rd next week.

Class Group Photos – Children should have brought home a pack today so that parents can order the lovely class photos. Please follow the instructions on the envelope. If you are not doing an online order and are returning your order in the envelope to school, please return it by Wednesday 11th May – thank you.

Easter Raffle – On the last day of term we had around 150 prizes in our Easter Raffle. A very big thank you to those of you who donated prizes and bought tickets. We're delighted to say that the raffle raised £247.

Arriving Late in School and School Lunches – Please make sure that you notify us if your child is going to be late into school for any reason, such as a medical appointment, and let us know what they will be doing for lunch. If you have booked them in for a lunch on ParentPay and then your child is not here at register time, the lunch will get cancelled unless you have communicated with us that they need to be kept booked in as they are coming in late. Please let us know what you have selected. Thanks.

Starting Nursery in September 2022 – Do you have children that were born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019? Do you know of neighbours, friends and relatives who live locally and have children who will be 3 years old by September 1st 2022? If so, they are eligible to start in our nursery in September 2022. Please spread the word and get in contact with us. We can give you application forms and start to get an idea of numbers. Thanks.

After School Club and Morning Club Bills – Please look out for the April bills on ParentPay which will need to be paid by Friday 13th May.

Future Dates, Events and Activities

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| Monday 2 nd May | School closed for May bank holiday |
| 9 th – 13 th May | Year 6 SATs week |
| Friday 13 th May | Finch Class to Hogacre in the morning |
| Friday 13 th May | Woodpecker Class to Hogacre in the afternoon |
| Friday 20 th May | Kingfishers to Hogacre |
| Wednesday 25 th May | Lunchtime family jubilee picnic event at SOAP (full details next week). Please save the date. |
| Thursday 26 th May | Term ends for half term holiday |
| Friday 27 th May – Monday 6 th June inclusive | Half Term Holiday (Friday 27 th is an extra day to be taken in lieu of the additional bank holiday) |
| Tuesday 7 th June | Term starts |
| Tuesday 15 th June | Nursery children invited to attend all day today |
| Thursday 16 th June | Reception – Yr 6 School Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park |
| Thursday 16 th June | School closed to Nursery children |
| Wednesday 22 nd June | Sports Day in Hinksey Park 10am start – spectators welcome |
| Friday 24 th June | Kingfishers to Hogacre |
| Saturday 25 th June | New Hinksey School Fete |
| Friday 8 th July | Owl Class to Hogacre |
| Wednesday 13 th July | Kingfisher and Woodpecker Performance for parents in afternoon. |
| 14 th , 15 th , 18 th July | Bikeability cycling course for Year 6s (details to follow) |
| Wednesday 20 th July | Year 6 Leavers Assembly and Treat (afternoon) |
| Thursday 21 st July at 1pm | Term Ends – please collect children promptly at 1pm |

Wishing you all a very happy long weekend and happy Eid, Eid Mubarek, to all our families celebrating the end of Ramadan.

Charlotte Haynes and The New Hinksey Team.

OXFORD BABY BANK DONATION MORNING - SATURDAY 14th May 9am till 1pm, at the Methodist Church on the corner of Cowley Road and Jeune Street opposite the Ultimate Picture Palace postcode OX4 1BN
Our recipients are referred to the Oxford Baby Bank by frontline professionals like midwives, health visitors and social workers, in addition to community and charity staff working specifically with victims of trafficking and domestic violence, refugees and asylum seekers. **So, for our next donation day, we are making an urgent request for equipment only.** We are in need of slings, buggies, double buggies, Moses baskets, cots, IKEA dismantling high chairs, bouncy chairs, sprung stair gates and toddler beds. Because we have to guarantee the safety and functioning of equipment, we can only accept buggies, cots, duvets and mattresses that are in **nearly new** condition. We know that this is a big ask when good quality items can easily be sold on, but we hope that you will be able to support us in this.
Please no car seats, as these are subject to very stringent safety legislation and no electricals, apart from plug in baby monitors.

The Oxford Eid Extravaganza event will take place next Sunday 8th May at Cheney School (outdoors in the field). Entrance is free but there will be funfair rides, activities for the whole family, a football tournament and food cuisines from around the world. It should be an amazing event!! If you would like to know more about this community event then please do go to the website www.eidextravaganza.org.