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Dear Families,

Lots of thanks already this term and lots of things still to look forward to in our packed end of year events, details of which are below.

Firstly, a big thank you to Mrs Ruffle and the F.O.W. team for all the hard work that went into the school discos and the fete over the last two weeks. These events take a lot of hard work to organise, but the joy that the children have from them is wonderful. The F.O.W. are a small, but very effective fund raising group which we are lucky to have, many schools have found theirs have become unsustainable in recent years. We are proud of the F.O.W. and their work and we would love a few more regular members who can give a little time to help the organising group and share the load. If you are interested in getting more involved, please speak to Mrs Ruffle and I am sure she will be really happy to tell you all about the next planning session.

Sports Day was a great success – I am told!

WELL DONE OAK HOUSE for your triumph this year, we look forward to more healthy completion in the coming months.

Thank you to those people who have not only sent lovely notes about the event, but also the kindness expressed with regards to my house flooding. Whilst I was dealing with that, I know the team pulled together magnificently, and everyone got to meet Kelly Bullard, our School Sports Coordinator and Rob Huff from Football Icon Academy who will be joining us in September a day a week to support our PE and Sports teaching. They felt really welcome and saw some brilliant skills and sportsmanship.

Our next big sports event are the inaugural Wroxton v St Mary's derby football matches. Miss Bullard is organising these, with matches at each school. The dates are below, and we hope there will be a healthy, happy competition between our two schools and their football teams.

OPAL play continues to grow and flourish. We have secured £6000 to support the development of this project through the DfE 'Opening School Facilities' grant and this will enable us to add further play resources and storage to the project as well as offer continued opportunities for the play space at Wroxton, which is one of the biggest and most beautiful open spaces in any school in Oxfordshire, to be used effectively by our children in creative and exciting ways. Remember, we are still always looking for those toys and objects that you and your children no longer want but can be



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added to the OPAL stash. Most things can be used in play one way or another, if in doubt, check with Mrs Di Giorno.

On **Monday 22nd July** we are inviting families and friends to come and enjoy our outdoor learning and play at our **Family Day**. This will be from 11.30 onwards. You can come along any time, for as long as you want. The children will be working through a series of activities from OPAL, Forest School, Commando Joe's Missions and PE activities. The idea is you come and join in the fun as much or as little as you want. Please bring a picnic lunch if you will be with us then and join us for an outdoor worship at 2.45 on the field. All welcome and please bring your wider family and friends, this is day to celebrate our community together.

Our **Art Exhibition** happens on **Friday 12th July from 2.15pm in the hall**. Between now and then the team will be pulling together lots of examples of the children's collective art work over the year and presenting it in our own Art Gallery which will be in the hall and open for one afternoon only. Please come along and celebrate the creative learning of your children.

In the coming year, we will be further developing our Music education. The starting point for this work is our **MUSIC Showcase at 2.15pm on Thursday 18th July in the hall**. Come and enjoy some short performances from each class and from our choir and the children learning guitar with Nick. In addition, earlier in the afternoon, Nick will be demonstrating guitar to the children, for anyone who wants to learn next year and Dan Guest, a professional session drummer and teacher, will also be demonstrating his skills on our brand new drum kit and offering the children lessons. If you come to the music showcase you will get a chance to meet them both. Further, next year, there will be a class learning brass instruments and additional specialist singing and music curriculum teaching from Oxfordshire Music Service. We look forward to some wonderful work from everyone.

Annual Reports this year will be coming to you on 19th July. ODST has introduced a new software package to its schools, and this means that your child's school report will be sent electronically to you. Please make sure we have the correct email on the office system so that we can ensure you get the report on time.

Finally, these last few months have been a difficult time from some members of our school team. Without breaking confidence, some of our colleagues have had life's less exciting and certainly sadder events come in their direction more than any of us would wish. The teams at Wroxton and St Mary's have pulled together and supported each other, often behind the scenes with planning and emotional support and the children have been magnificent being flexible and sensible working with different adults for periods of time and showing care and love for everyone in their schools. On behalf of the team, I want to say thank you to everyone for this and also



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send love and prayers to all those managing life's trials and sadnesses, whoever, wherever and in whatever way you are. Our thoughts are with everyone.

We will come together as the Wroxton community on **Tuesday 23rd July at 9.00am in Church** for a service of Thanksgiving for our Year 6 pupils and for the work of our school this year. Please do come and join us.

Looking forward to all our end of year events,

Your sincerely

Victoria Woods
 Executive Headteacher

Date and times	Event	Notes
W/C 1 st July	Banbury Schools Y7 Transition	Please liaise with the secondary school directly for exact details. Each school is slightly different.
Tuesday 2 nd July	Royal Opera House 'Create Day' Kites Class	A free in school event working with schools across the country and the ROH. Check this out on our socials
Thursday 4 th July	Y6 Leaders Service at Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford with other Oxfordshire Diocesan Church Schools – details have been sent	
	Year 3/4/5 Rounders Festival – details have been sent	
Monday 8 th July	Wroxton v St Mary's football matches after school, at home on the Wroxton field	Please come and support round one of our school derby competition.
Tuesday 9 th July	1.30-2.45 new Reception pupils and Parents visit	Please contact the school office for any questions
Wednesday 10 th July	Y4,5,6 Production <i><u>Shakespeare Rocks!</u></i>	Join us at 5.30 for this song filled, fun packed production in homage to William Shakespeare.
Friday 12 th July	2.15 Art EXHIBITION	Annual chance to see your children's amazing artwork.



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Tuesday 16 th July	1.30-3.00 new Reception pupils settling session	Please contact the school office for any questions
	St Mary's v Wroxton football matches after school, away on St Mary's field	Please come and support round two of our school derby competition.
Thursday 18 th July	2.15 Music SHOWCASE	Annual chance to hear your children's amazing music.
Friday 19 th July	Annual Reports sent home. These will contain details of the next year regarding classes and teachers	
Monday 22 nd July	11.30-3.15 CO Jo's, OPAL, Forest School, PE Family Day	Come and enjoy all our outdoor learning opportunities with your children.
Tuesday 23 rd July	9am Service of Thanksgiving for our Leavers at All Saint's Church	All welcome to join our service.
	Meet the Teacher morning	Children will come back from Church and then spend the morning with their new teachers in their new classrooms.
	1.30-3.15 new Reception pupils final settling session with their new classmates	Please contact the school office for any questions
Wednesday 24 th July	LAST DAY OF TERM SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30PM There will be NO NIGHT OWLS TODAY	Friends and family of our Y6 pupils are invited to attend the fun leavers assembly at 9.15am.
TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER	SCHOOL OPENS FOR THE NEW YEAR	