



School News

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Diocesan Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father,
We ask you to send labourers
into your harvest.
Inspire, in the hearts of your people,
vocations to the priesthood, diaconate
and religious life.
Bless our families with a spirit of generosity,
so that those whom you call
have the courage to give themselves
to your Church in faith.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

'Well Done'

*to the following pupils who received
special awards this week:*

Reception - Layton

Year 1 – Maya

Year 2 – Myles

Year 3 – Lincon

Year 4 – Kyle

Year 5 – Minnie

Attendance Award

Year 2 & 5 - 97%



Message from the Headteacher

On Monday, our whole school came together to celebrate the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul in a special Mass. It was a wonderful opportunity for pupils, staff and parishioners to gather in prayer and reflect on the lives of these two great saints, whose faith, courage and dedication helped spread the message of Jesus throughout the world. Throughout the celebration, children participated respectfully through readings, singing and prayer. The Mass reminded us of the importance of faith, perseverance and standing up for what is right, just as Saints Peter and Paul did.

Huge congratulations to Peter, Peter and Eve in Year 3, who achieved an incredible 1st place in the recent Maths Quiz at CNS, against Year 4 pupils from other local schools. The team demonstrated great mathematical skills, teamwork and determination throughout, impressing everyone with their confidence and problem-solving abilities. Competing against older pupils makes their achievement even more remarkable. We are extremely proud of their success and of the fantastic way they represented our school. Well done, Peter, Peter and Eve – what a fantastic achievement!

Excitement filled the school on Thursday, as children took part in our annual Move-Up Day, spending time in their new classrooms and meeting their teachers for the next academic year. The day provided a wonderful opportunity for children to become familiar with new routines, explore their learning environments and look ahead with confidence to the year ahead. We were also delighted to welcome our new Reception children, who joined us for a special visit. They enjoyed exploring their new classroom, meeting staff and making new friends as they begin their journey as members of our school family. It was an enjoyable day for everyone, helping to ensure a smooth transition for all children. We look forward to seeing them continue to grow, learn and thrive in their new classes in September.

The DfE has issued guidance on mobile phones in schools. This became statutory on 29th June 2026. It states that all schools should be mobile phone-free environments. As part of this policy, schools must prohibit the use of mobile phones and other smart technology with similar functionality to mobile phones (for example, the ability to send and/or receive notifications or messages via mobile phone networks or the ability to record audio and/or video) throughout the school day. This means that children can no longer wear smart watches as these can receive messages. Year 5 and 6 children who walk to and from school may continue to bring their phones straight to the office at the beginning of the day and collect them at the end of the day, as they do at the moment.

On Tuesday 7th July, we will be celebrating French Day with a range of exciting activities designed to bring French language and culture to life. Children are invited to come to school dressed in red, white and blue, the colours of the French flag. Throughout the day, pupils will take part in a variety of engaging activities, including French games, cheese tasting, and opportunities to practise their spoken French skills.

We are delighted to invite parents and carers to join us for our Sports Day on Friday 10th July at 9:00am. We warmly welcome families to come along and support the children. We are sure it will be an exciting and enjoyable event for everyone involved. The PTA raffle will be drawn directly after at 11am. We look forward to seeing you there!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Summer Term	
Monday 6 th July	Year 5 Parent Meeting - Current Year 4 3 - 3.15pm
Tuesday 7 th July	French Day
	Year 1 Parent Meeting - Current Reception 3 - 3.15pm
Wednesday 8 th July	Year 5 Orienteering Festival 2.50 - 4.30pm at CNS
Thursday 9 th July	Reception & KS1 Art Day
	PTA Chastleton Teas
Tuesday 14 th July	Year 6 End of Year Performance
Friday 17 th July	End of Year Mass (Year 6 Parents Invited)
Friday 17 th July	School Closes at 12.05pm for Summer
Monday 1 st September	INSET (NEW)
Tuesday 2 nd September	Reception & Year 6 Back to School (NEW)
Wednesday 3 rd September	All Children in School (NEW)
Monday 7 th - Friday 11 th September	Year 6 Yenworthy Residential (NEW)

2026 Summer Reading Challenge: Read to the Beat!

Ready to turn up the volume on your reading this summer? This year’s Library reading challenge explores the exciting connection between stories and songs, helping children of all ages discover the joy of reading.

How to Take Part:

Sign Up: Visit your local library (CHIPPING NORTON) starting THIS SATURDAY.

Set Your Goal: Children are challenged to read 6 books of their choice over the summer holidays. Anything counts — including comics, eBooks, and audiobooks.

Earn Rewards: Collect special stickers and character collector cards as you reach your milestones. Complete all 6 goals to win a shiny medal and a certificate



Some information from Oxfordshire County Council's Local Area Coordinator for Chipping Norton, Katrina Fagan.

Local Area Coordination means being connected with a Local Area Coordinator like me in your area – I am here to walk alongside you, listen without judgement, and help you work towards the life you want. You stay in control, we go at your pace, focus on what matters to you, and build on your strengths and existing connections.

It is a person-led approach that helps people stay connected, resilient and in control ideally before problems reach crisis point. We build trusted relationships, there’s no pressure, no fixed timescale, and no expectation for you to jump through hoops. I’m not here to do things for you or tell you what to do, but I’m here to help you find your own way forward in a way that works for you.



WE NEED YOUR HELP

CHASTLETON CAKES

THURS 9th JULY

LOTS OF BAKES NEEDED

DROP TO SCHOOL THURS AM

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TOY DONATION

Every child deserves the joy of having a toy to play with.

Thrive OX7 supports children in our area, and with your help we can bring new toys to those who need them most.

We're celebrating the release of Toy Story 5 by collecting donations of **brand new toys**, suitable for any age group.

Drop off your donations by 30th June at The Living Room Cinema, and we'll give you a free popcorn to say thank you!



You can also donate to Thrive OX7 using the QR code. Together we can help every young person Thrive!



The Library

Chipping Norton

Fun with Racing Robots

Mon 6th July to Sat 25th July

Come along and experiment with racing robots!

This event is suitable for children aged 5 +

Ask at the counter or email

chippingnorton.library@oxfordshire.gov.uk to book

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries



oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries



The Library

Chipping Norton

Origami workshop

Join us to practice the mindful art of paper folding. Whether you'd like to learn a new skill or rediscover a love of origami, our free workshop is suitable for all. Drop-in

Second Saturday every month

11am to 12pm

The Library

Oxfordshire



READ to the BEAT



...with a FREE children's reading challenge at your local Oxfordshire library!

4 July to 5 September 2026

The Summer Reading Challenge 2026: **Read to the Beat** celebrates the joy of reading with a theme inspired by music. Children can discover how books spark creativity and imagination.



Finish the challenge and get your own medal and certificate!

Look out for fantastic new books and activities at your library!

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries
www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk



oxfordshire.gov.uk/libraries



The Library

Chipping Norton

Lego club

Celebrate your child's imagination with the ultimate brick. For ages 4+, join your little person for some building fun.

Come and join the fun at your local Lego club:

Mondays 3.30pm to 5pm

Booking essential