



5th November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a restful half term holiday. We had a great start to term and are looking forward to learning this coming half term. Please see the attached Topic Web for details of our curriculum this term. Our topic for the term is 'Volcanoes and Mountains'. We will also begin rehearsing our Christmas play with Year 3 towards the end of the term.

Swimming, P.E. and Library

P.E. days continue to be on **Tuesday (indoors)** and **Wednesday (swimming)**. Please encourage your child to take responsibility for **bringing their PE kit** to school on those days, including ensuring that your child has suitable footwear as we will continue with running a mile in the playground as a warm up.

Children should have coats in school every day as break / lunch times will be outside unless the rain is heavy.

Library books can be renewed and exchanged at lunch times as soon as they are finished; in addition, we have our library time on Thursday afternoons.

Homework

Homework will continue to be set on a Thursday. This should be completed by the following Wednesday. Each week, we will continue to set Doodlemaths extras and children are expected to read independently at home. Please encourage your child to remember and complete their homework independently. Do let me know if there are any problems with completing homework.

Punctuality

The school gate opens at 8.40am and the register is taken at 8.50am. Children arriving after register will be marked as late. Thank you for a very good start of the year in terms of punctuality. Please continue to support children in developing an organised morning routine which allows them to arrive at school in time.

Diary Dates

Some dates for this term.

Friday 7th November	Festival of Faith
Friday 14 th November	Children in Need and SASA disco
Friday 21st November	Individual school photos
Wednesday 26 th November	Parent book look (8.40 – 9.00)
Friday 28 th November	INSET day, school closed to children
Friday 5th December	SASA Winter Fair (3.20 – 5.30pm)
Tuesday 9 th December	Christmas Service at St Andrew's Church
Thursday 11 th December	Year 3 and 4 Christmas Performance
Tuesday 16 th December	Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 to Oxford Playhouse for Christmas performance
Wednesday 17 th December	YR-2 Christmas Dinner day – Y4 need packed lunch.
Thursday 18 th December	Y4 Christmas Dinner day
Friday 20 th December	End of term - School Finishes at 1.30pm

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. I am available for a quick chat most days after school, or you can call the office to schedule a longer meeting if necessary.

Many thanks for your support,

Vicki Cooper