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Dear Families

Welcome back to school and the wet and windy second half of Autumn! There is lots going on already this term with every class learning about their new projects and class books and we have the Eagles tip to the play village and Y4,5,6 experiencing the Virtual Reality of life in the Roman and Greek Empire's coming up.

We have been working hard to look at how we can share the children's learning and life at school in as many ways as possible. We were thrilled to have so many of you come and share the EXPO at the end of term where we were treated to artwork, puppet shows, dance and more. We know not everyone can make these sort of events – we as teachers never can for our own families for example, so we do understand the conflict of being working parents. Hence as part of our improving communication and sharing, we are enhancing our social media presence through our Facebook and 'X' (formerly Twitter) feeds and we are also pleased to say that a new Wroxton School website will be going live over the next couple of days.

Where we can, we will share photos of life in school; each class will have its own page and update their blog each week. Where we have videos or links to events, they will be available on the website and each class will update the Facebook and X feeds with something about what they have done each week. Obviously, we can only put photos of children on these platforms where we have permission to do so, hence why you were asked to update these permissions last term. If you feel you would like to change them, please contact Mrs Sullivan and she will update our records.

The new website can be found at <u>www.wroxtonprimary.co.uk</u> It takes time to fully populate a school website and not all that you might want will be immediately there, but we will be continually adding to it over the coming weeks. We hope you like it.

Staffing.

Mrs Jennings has joined the team this week, working with Mrs Ledo in Eagles and we have also welcomed Miss Bradfield and Miss Cooper who are teaching students and are placed with us for the next few weeks as part of their degree course at Brookes University.

Additionally, Mrs Fane is joining the team on Friday's in Falcon's class this term to enable Mrs Di Giorno to have some additional time working with the other teachers in school and further developing our curriculum. Thank you for making everyone feel welcome.





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As you are aware, Mrs Taylor and Mrs Di Giorno swopped roles this year, with Mrs Taylor teaching at St Mary's. I can now tell you that after a magnificent 33 year's service as a teacher, Headteacher and school leader, Mrs Taylor is hanging up her pencil case and laptop and retiring at Christmas. We know many of you will have known her throughout her 9+ years at Wroxton and we will be making sure there is an opportunity to wish her well nearer to the end of term.

Friends of Wroxton. Thank you to the committee who met this week, it is lovely to have such a positive and supportive team.

The 'Great Wroxton Bake off" was a big hit, especially with Mr Hickman, thank you everyone who helped make cakes. This was just the first in a brilliant package of events coming up, starting with the Disco on Friday 10th November. If you think you can help in any way or would like to play a larger part in helping organise events, please let Mrs Ruffle know.

You have received the FOW newsletter already and this and other information will now also be added to our new website.

Below we continue to add to the diary dates, please note flu vaccinations on 14th November for example and make sure you have registered should you wish your child to have it.

Other than that, have a lovely weekend and we look forward to more exciting learning and events at Wroxton this term.

Date and times	Event	Notes
Monday 6 th November	Eagles trip to Play Village Warwick	Letters have been sent
Monday 6 th November	Kites and Falcons Historic VR experience	Letters have been sent. This will be an exciting new adventure, taking us back to the time of the great European Civilisations
Friday 10th November	Friends of Wroxton School Disco	See FOW newsletter for detaisl
Tuesday 14 th November	Flu Vaccinations, all year groups	Letters and reminders have been sent. Please register your child for their vaccination online.

Expected Dates for the Year





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Friday 17 th November	Children in Need Day	Details to follow	
Monday 20 th November	Kestrels Celebration Worship	In the Hall, please arrive between 2.30 and 2.40pm	
Tuesday 28 th November	Choir performance at 'Big Christmas Sing' Oxford	Choir members join with St Mary's for a joint concert performance with other Oxfordshire Schools at the Centre for Music in Oxford. More details soon	
Tuesday 28 th November	Vision Screening for Reception pupils	Details to follow	
Monday 4 th December	Eagles Celebration Worship	In the Hall, please arrive between 2.30 and 2.40pm	
Friday 8 th December 3.15-5.00pm	Friends of Wroxton Christmas Fair	Details to follow	
Monday 11 th December	Afternoon Christmas performance	Eagles will be taking the lead in our Nativity this year. Details times and tickets to follow	
Tuesday 12 th December	Early Evening Christmas performance	nearer the time	
Thursday 14 th December	Kestrel's evening trip to Waddesdon Light Trail	Details to follow	
Monday 18 th December	Christmas Dinner and party in school	Get you party clothes on!	
Tuesday 19 th December	Christmas Service at Church	Times and details to follow	
Wednesday 20 th December	Songs and fun around the tree	Times and details to follow	
Wednesday 20 th December	LAST DAY OF TERM SCHOOL CLOSES AT 1.30PM		
MONDAY 8 th January 2024	There will be NO NIGHT OWLS TODAY Spring term 1 starts – note changes to school day. School OPENS 8.35am		
	School CLOSES 3.15pm		





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Monday 29 th January	Residential to Kilvrough Manor		
Friday 9 th February	Shrove Tuesday Races	Fun and games with pancakes. All welcome, details to follow	
Friday 9 th February 3.15pm	School CLOSES for Half Term		
Monday 19 th February	School OPENS at 8.35am		
W/c 4 th March W/c 11 th March	S.T.E.M Weeks	A focus on science and engineering curriculum. Event details to follow	
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day	Details to follow	
Monday 11 th Tuesday 12 th Wednesday 13 th March	Parent Consultation Evenings	Details to follow	
Tuesday 26 th March	Easter Service at Church	Times and details to follow	
Thursday 28 th March	LAST DAY OF TERM SCHOOL CLOSES AT 1.30PM There will be NO NIGHT OWLS TODAY		
MONDAY 15 th April 2024	Spring term 2 starts School OPENS 8.35am		
Wednesday 1 st May	K ites Trip To 'Aladdin' @ MK	Details to follow	
Friday 3 rd May	May Day Revels	Details to follow	
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY	SCHOOL CLOSED	
Monday 13 th – Thursday 16th	Falcons SAT Tests	NO requests for absence can be authorised this week	
THURSDAY 23rd May, 3.15pm	School CLOSES for Half Term		
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	OTHER LOCAL SCHOOLS		
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TUESDAY 4th June 2023	Summer term 2 starts		
	School OPENS 8.35am PLEASE NOTE THS IS A TUESDAY AND MAY DIFFER FROM OTHER LOCAL SCHOOLS		
Tuesday 18th June	SPORTS DAY	Details to follow	
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Friday 28 th June	Friends of Wroxton School Disco	Details to follow	
W/C 1 st July	Banbury Schools Y7 Transition	Please liaise with the	
		secondary school directly for	
		exact details. Each school is	
		slightly different.	
Friday 12 th July	Art EXHIBITION	Annual chance to see your	
		children's amazing artwork.	
		Details to follow	
Friday 19 th July	Annual Reports sent home. These will contain details of the next		
	year regarding classes and teachers		
Friday 19 th July	Music SHOWCASE	Annual chance to hear your	
		children's amazing music.	
		Details to follow	
Monday 22nd th July	CO Jo's, OPAL, Forest School, PE	Come and enjoy all our	
	Family Day	outdoor learning opportunities	
		with your children	
Tuesday 23 rd July	Service of Thanksgiving for our	All welcome to join our	
	Leavers at St Mary's Church	service.	
Wednesday 24 th July	LAST DAY OF TERM SCHOOL	Year 6 Families, only, are	
Wednesday 24 July	CLOSES AT 1.30PM	invited to attend the fun	
		leavers assembly at 9.15am	
	There will be NO NIGHT OWLS		
	TODAY		

(Dates are subject to change for operational reasons)