

## March 5th 2021 Newsletter

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What an achievement! With careful planning by Mrs Mottram, CHIPP funding for the online theatre, lots of work behind the scenes by school staff, support and encouragement of parents and hard work by children, we've taken **Writing Week 2021 Twisted Tales** online and it's worked brilliantly! Thank you to everyone who helped to make it such a success

As we look forward to welcoming everyone back to school next week, I would like to take this opportunity to **thank you** once more for the tremendous commitment you've shown to supporting children's home learning. This is an exciting time to bring our school community back together and we would like to reassure you that we continue to implement government guidance to ensure our school is as safe as it can possibly be.

As part of this you may have seen that the government has announced the **further roll-out of lateral flow testing** which now includes adult members of households, childcare and support bubbles of primary school pupils.

Although it has been confirmed that there is no requirement for primary school pupils to test at this time, household testing of these groups is strongly encouraged to add to existing measures to keep our schools safe. Members of staff have had access to this testing since it was made available and we are grateful to everyone for their willingness to support these additional safety arrangements.

On a more practical note, I'd like to remind parents that we have timetabled three outdoor physical activity sessions daily, so it's essential that children have **waterproof coats and plimsolls** (for indoor wear) in school every day.

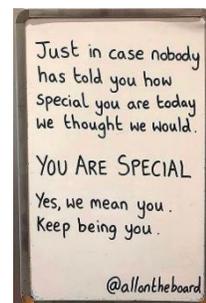
Our safety arrangements for drop-off and pick-up remain the same as the autumn term, including **socially distanced queuing**. Please do ensure that you and your children adhere to the 2m markers at these times.

We are all **really** looking forward to seeing you in school on Monday!

Warm regards,  
**Gillian Seymour**



### Thought for the Day



### Pictures of the Week



Celebrating World Book Day with Harry Potter (**William**) and Hermione (**Abigail**)

**Where's Wortley?** Great to see the teachers getting involved too!

**More World Book Day photos overleaf!**



# More Information



Happy Birthday to **Winter** who was 9 on 1<sup>st</sup> March.



## Back to School – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021

We are very pleased to be welcoming children back into school next week. Please refer to the Latest News on the school website for the up-to-date risk assessment and safety arrangements for the remainder of term 4.

<https://checkendon.oxon.sch.uk/parents/news/index.1.html>



## Waste Week w/c 8<sup>th</sup> March

Did you know that the amount of edible food wasted in the UK could fill eight Wembley Stadiums? Or that we throw away 20 million slices of bread EVERY day in the UK, which creates greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to over 140,000 cars every year? This is why we're tackling food waste this Waste Week: to help young people and their families reduce unnecessary waste. We will be sending information about how we can all help recycle plastics and reduce food waste over the course of next week.

## Website – Class Blogs

Class pages on the school website are updated every Friday with a blog from each class teacher. You can see what children have been working on during the week together with relevant photographs (if consent has been granted) and an insight into what is happening the following week. Please refer to the website for the latest blogs via

<https://checkendon.oxon.sch.uk/class-pages/index.1.html>



## Congratulations to Persie!

Persie held a cake sale on Sunday in an effort to raise money for Wallingford food bank. She raised over £400! Congratulations Persie for your outstanding efforts!



## Worship for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2021

11am Morning Prayer with Revd Kevin. 636 645 195 and passcode 000162. Readings, hymns and prayers to start the week, and a chance to chat. **Please do not share the zoom codes on social media. Thank you.**



**Ted** as Charlie from the book Charlie changed into a Chicken. **Ellie** and **Thomas** as characters from the Little House on the Prairie series. **Kitty** as Professor McGonagall from the Harry Potter series. **Harry** with his craft inspired by the book Code Name Bananas by David Walliams.

## And Finally....

What did one tomato say to the other tomato in the running race? Ketchup

Social News Feeds: <https://twitter.com/CheckendonSch>  
<https://www.instagram.com/checkendonprimaryschool/>



**Arlo** as 'Arlo the Lion Who Couldn't Sleep'.

**Wilf** as 'Fantastic Mr Fox'.



**Flo** as a knight from



'Princess Daisy and the Dragon and the Nincompoo Knights'

**Marley** as the monster in 'There's a Monster in your Book'



**Oscar** as the Penguin in 'Lost and Found'.

