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Father William came in this week, with a basket full of home-grown produce, to talk to the children about Harvest and the Harvest Festival. The children told Father William all about the good Summers they had enjoyed and he helped them to reflect on why, for some of our farmers, it may not have been such a good Summer. The children enjoyed talking about their favourite food—primarily pizza and almost all made from flour, though there was the occasional mention of a piece of fruit! We thought about how important it was, not just at this time of year, to be grateful for our food, to think about those who don't have as much as we do and to share with those who may be in need.

Stars of the Week

Reception: **Leonard**—for working hard to remember our learning behaviours—looking, listening, sitting still and being quiet..

Years 1&2: **Grace** - for having a cheery learning attitude and being a good role model to the Year One children!

Years 3&4: **Talulah** - for showing resilience and determination in your learning —you have had your hand up so much this week!

Years 5&6: **Liv** - for working so hard in maths this week, solving problems with addition and subtraction.

Reminder—School Photos Return Monday

A reminder that school photo orders need to be returned on Monday. Ian Taylor hopes to get all photos returned to school by the end of November ready for Christmas posting and Christmas parcels! Envelope orders need to be returned to the office by pick up time on Monday. Orders after this will incur a postage charge and will not be returned to school.

The Food Bank Needs You

Our collection for North Oxfordshire Food Bank, serving Chipping Norton and the surrounding areas, is a little lower than usual. We have asked them to collect all donations on Wednesday next week so please consider popping something into the office to add to our collection. These donations are made into food parcels for vulnerable families and individuals, and make an enormous difference to those in our local area in need of support, so please do give generously. Wednesday morning drop off will be the latest that you will be able to do this. Further information [here](#).

State School Secondary Applications

A reminder that the deadline for state school applications for Year 6 children who will be moving to secondary schools next year is 31st October. **Applications need to be made to the county in which you reside and NOT to the county of the school you wish to apply for.** You are able to list up to 4 schools and we recommend that you include your catchment school as one of your preferences which will help avoid being allocated a school out of area that you did not want. If you are applying to independent schools, they each have their own admissions procedures and deadlines and will need to be contacted individually.

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Good Manners' Champion

This week's Good Manners' Champion is **Willow C** in Year 6. Willow has grown up enormous amounts over the last year and has really risen to the challenge of being a Year 6 pupil at the top of the school. Willow is polite and very good at responding quickly when asked to do things. She has solid friendships and is an excellent role model. Miss Northcote told Willow, "Willow consistently demonstrates excellent manners towards both her teachers and peers. She has matured a lot this year and has built many positive relationships with those around her. In addition to being polite and considerate, Willow has a great sense of fun. Well done Willow!" Willow's friends went on to add; "*Willow sits opposite me and likes to talk. She talks to everyone and is very inclusive.*".. "*Willow plays nicely with her friends in the playground and is always having fun.*".. "*Willow talks to everyone and anyone*".. "*She is a good friend with a smile like a beam of happiness*" ... "*Willow is always smiling and talks about lots of different things and never just about herself.*".. "*We were partners in class yesterday, Willow was full of good ideas and working with her was lots of fun!*"... "*You are kind and have a big smile, you are always smiling.*" .. "*Willow is friendly and chatty but she knows when to stop and is really fun person to have in class.*" Willow, you are a much valued, inclusive member of our community and a super role model and we are very proud of you!



Dates Coming Up

Tues 22nd Oct	Preloved uniform sale age 8-12 3:15-4:30pm
Wed 23rd Oct	U9 + U11 Cross Country Competition CNPS
Fri 25th Oct	INSET Day
28th Oct—1st Nov	HALF TERM
Mon 4th Nov	Back to school
Wed 20th Nov	U11 Netball Tournament CNPS
Fri 22nd Nov	Year 5/6 Street Dance Workshop
Wed 27th Nov	Charcoal Workshop All Years
Tues 3rd Dec	AIM Art
Sat 7th Dec	Great Tew Church Carol Service 5-6pm
Thurs 12th Dec	Christmas Nativity Play—Reception, Year 1&2 Performances at 2pm and 6pm.
Tues 17th Dec	The Christmas Feast
Fri 20th Dec	End of term Christmas Service, Great Tew Church 9am End of term at 12 noon
Mon 6th Jan	Inset Day
Tues 7th Jan	Back to school—Spring Term begins
Fri 10th Jan	Year 5 and 6 Swimming Lessons Commence
Wed 15th Jan	Swimming Gala CNPS
Wed 29th Jan	U11 Hockey Tournament CNPS

