Newsletter – 6th November 2026

Dear Parents

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn Term. The highlight of this week for me has been the after-school Sports Factor Monsterball tournaments in Year 1 and 2. All of our teams played well but the Year 2 final was nail biting stuff. Well done to all of the yellow team for adding a new piece of silverware to the trophy shelf. I can't remember the last time I cheered so loud!

The excitement just keeps building as we look forward to so many memory-making school experiences over the next six weeks. Please take time to double check dates and calendars and read on to see how you can support the FoTIS Winter Fayre on Saturday 21st November.

Midday Meals Supervisor Vacancy
We are currently looking for an additional midday meals supervisor to join our lunchtime team. Please contact the office for further information and an application form.

FoTIS Updates

FoTIS Volunteers 2026/27
WhatsApp group

Winter Fayre

Raffle
With the Winter Fayre only a couple of weeks away we're delighted to say that Raffle tickets are now on sale! A separate ParentMail has been sent detailing how you can buy them and all of the amazing prizes on offer. This year cash and card payments for tickets will all be processed through this link raffle.fotis.org.uk. Your tickets will be sent to you via email.

This year the star prize is a Nintendo Switch 2 Bundle, including Mario Kart Game, kindly donated by JK Electrical and Mechanical Services! In addition, we have a £75 M&S Voucher, £50 Opuz Voucher, £50 Amazon Voucher, Roald Dahl Museum Family Ticket, Bucks Railway Centre Family Steaming Day Pass, Bucks Goat Centre Family Day Pass, Waitrose Hamper, Present Light Reflexology Treatment Voucher, Cut and Blow-dry from Hair by Rebecca Cleaton, £30 Voucher for Chloe's Balloon Stacks, £30 Voucher for Thrift Farm, 2 x The Entertainer Vouchers, plus more…

To make the event a success we need your help!

Tombola Prizes
The Tombolas are always very popular at our Winter Fayre, but we rely on you to make them so. In exchange for non-uniform days in November, we would love it if you'd donate a tombola prize. The children's tombola prizes will be collected on Friday 13th November and adult tombola prizes on 20th November. Examples of donations towards the children's tombola could be games, toys, books etc. Examples of donations towards the adults'

tombola could be wine, beer, smellies etc. Donations will be collected at the school gates during drop off.

Cake and Bakes
We are looking for donations of home baked goods to sell on the day. Please bring these to the school hall either at school pick up on Friday 20th or any time from 11.30 am on Saturday 21st. Please ensure there are no nuts and that all ingredients are listed.

Volunteers
In order to be able to run this event we need volunteers! Just an hour on a stall makes the world of difference! Please scan the QR code and join the volunteer WhatsApp group to find out more.

Christmas Cards Order Forms
Order forms for Christmas cards with your children's artwork on were sent home this week in bookbags. The deadline for ordering is the 7th December. Remember 30% of the spend on every order goes to the school.

FoTIS Dates for your diary

Friday 13th Nov	Non-Uniform Day – In exchange for a prize towards the children's tombola
Friday 20th Nov	Non-Uniform Day – In exchange for a prize towards the adults' tombola
Saturday 21st Nov	Winter Fayre – 1.00-3.30pm
Monday 7th Dec	Deadline for ordering Christmas Cards

Thames Valley Police – Neighbourhood Policing



Your local Neighbourhood Policing Team wants to hear from you. Please scan the QR code below to complete a short survey and tell us about the issues that matter most in your community. Your feedback will help us identify local priorities and ensure we focus on the concerns that are most important to residents.

KEY DATES - 2026-27	
November	
Monday 2nd	Staff training day (children not in school)
Friday 6th	SATs workshop for Year 2 parents, 9.00-9.40 am
Monday 16th	Diwali dance with Kalpesh
Tuesday 17th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDCo, Mrs Gerhardt 9.00 -10.00 am
Saturday 21st	FoTIS Winter Fayre, 1.00-3.30vpm
December	
Friday 4th	Pantomime (in school)
Tuesday 8th	Reception walk to the post box (am) *Please note change of date*
Friday 11th	Christmas Jumper Day
Monday 14th	Year 1 Christmas production, 9.15 am
Tuesday 15th	Year 2 Christmas production, 9.15 am
Wednesday 16th	Reception Christmas production, 9.15 am
Thursday 17th	Christmas party day
Friday 18th	Carols around the tree, 2.30 pm (whole school and parents)
January	
Monday 4th	Staff training day (children not in school)
Thursday 14th	School Health Screening for Reception children – measurement of heights and weights
Tuesday 19th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDCo, Mrs Gerhardt 9.00 -10.00 am
February	
Wednesday 10th	Parent involvement morning
Friday 26th	OPAL Stay & Play for parents, 2.00-3.00 pm
March	
Tuesday 9th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDCo, Mrs Gerhardt 9.00 -10.00 am
Monday 15th	Parent Discussions 5.30-7.30 pm
Tuesday 16th	Parent Discussions 3.30-4.30 pm
Wednesday 17th	Parent Discussions 3.30-4.30 pm
Friday 19th	Eid party
April	
Tuesday 27th	SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDCo, Mrs Gerhardt 9.00 -10.00 am
Tuesday 27th	School Health Screening for Reception children – vision checks
Thursday 29th	Year 2 to Woburn Safari Park *(provisional date)*

May	
Wednesday 5th	Year 1 to Warwick Castle *(provisional date)*
Monday 17th	Year 2 SATs week 1
Monday 24th	Year 2 SATs week 2
Friday 28th	Staff training day (children not in school)
June	
Monday 7th	Class photographs
Monday 14th	Year 1 Phonics check / Year 2 recheck week
Monday 21st	Meeting for new parents (starting school in September 2027) 6 pm
Tuesday 29th	Year 2 SEND Coffee Morning with our SENDCo, Mrs Gerhardt 9.00 -10.00 am
July	
Thursday 1st	Open Evening
Friday 2nd	Beach Day
Tuesday 6th	Move up day 1
Wednesday 7th	Move up day 2
Thursday 15th	Sports Day
Monday 19th	Year 2 Leavers' Party

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	Open on morning of	**Close at end of afternoon of**
Autumn Term (2nd half)	Tuesday 3rd November 2026	Friday 18th December 2026
Spring Term	Tuesday 5th January 2027	Friday 12th February 2027
	Monday 22nd February 2027	Thursday 25th March 2027
Summer Term	Monday 12th April 2027	Thursday 27th May 2027
	Monday 7th June 2027	Wednesday 21st July 2027
Staff Training Days	Tuesday 1st September 2026 Wednesday 2nd September 2026 Monday 2nd November 2026 Monday 4th January 2027 Friday 28th May 2027	
Bank Holiday	Monday 3rd May 2027 (school closed)	

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Autumn Term	Monday 6th September 2027	Friday 22nd October 2027
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