



Dear Parents

The children have had a really positive few weeks in school. The confidence of our new Reception children has already grown in such a short time. They have adapted really well to their new learning environment, and I know they all enjoyed their session at Forest School this week – I look forward to hearing about more of their Forest School adventures over the coming weeks.

Mrs Murrey

### School Census Day: Thursday 6th October

Our school meal funding for the next financial year is based on the number of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 who have a school meal on **Thursday 6th October**. If your child is in these year groups there is no charge to you as meals are funded by the Government. Please support the school by encouraging your child to try a school lunch on this day.

### Flu Vaccination

The annual school aged Flu vaccination programme is, this year, being offered to all children in Reception – Year 6 and will take place at Tackley school on Wednesday 5th October. Please remember to complete your parental consent by Monday 3rd October even if you are refusing permission. This can be done online:

Click the link <https://www.oxfordhealthimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

Enter the Unique School Code OX145449

Complete the form (one per child). Please complete even if you are REFUSING the vaccination\*.

### Achievements and Certificates

VALUES	ASH
9th September 2022	Respect — Orla
16th September 2022	Friendship—Theo

Well done to Orla and Theo for demonstrating our school values!

### Ash Class Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service this year for Ash class will take place on Thursday 6th October in St Mary’s Church at 2.15pm and we look forward to welcoming all parents and families to join us for this service.

### Early Reading and Phonics Session

All Ash class parents are invited into school on Monday 26th September for an Early Reading and Phonics session at 3.15pm, we will give you an overview of our teaching strategies and an introduction to phonics and some useful hints and tips for supporting at home.

### Update from Ash Class

In the last two weeks Ash Class moved from getting to know their new classroom and each other to learning across the board in full swing. YR children are taking their first steps in learning phonics and forming letters. Y1 and Y2 are gaining confidence in reading as they learn more sounds and they have started practicing the cursive handwriting. Amazing effort from everyone!

Last Friday we paid a visit to our school’s allotment and we discovered to our delight some red cherry tomatoes, one tiny but beautiful sunflower, a healthy looking courgette and potato plants. It was lovely to see that some plants had survived the draught and even managed to thrive after the recent rain. We made plans to return shortly to dig up the potatoes and perhaps even boil them or roast them to see what they taste like.

