

# Winchcombe Abbey newsletter

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018 – Summer term



## **Term Dates:**

### **Term ends:**

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July at  
2.15 pm

### **2018/2019 Term Starts:**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>  
September 2018

## **Important Dates:**

July 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Winchcombe senior  
school induction days

July 9<sup>th</sup> Move up morning –  
Children will be visiting their new  
class

July 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm - KS2 performance  
of Aladdin (ticket only)

July 18<sup>th</sup> at 2pm and 6pm - KS2  
performance of Aladdin (ticket  
only)

July 24<sup>th</sup> at 2pm – Year 6 Leavers'  
Service at St Peter's Church

## **Important Contacts:**

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15<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day was a huge success with Thames House winning the overall trophy. My thanks to Miss McKenzie and Mr Hill for organising such a fantastic event. The children demonstrated their values and had a great time competing against each other.

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors,

Thanks to everyone who came along to support the Summer Fête a couple of weeks ago. It was a glorious evening and the weather really helped, for a change! We are enormously grateful to Chair, Linda Barnes and her wonderful team of Friends and parents for the hours they spent before, during and after the Fête, ensuring it all went with a swing. Thanks too to our Year 6 helpers. We will let you know how much was raised when the final calculations have been done.

Many of our Year 6 leavers are off to Winchcombe School this week, getting to know the staff, fellow pupils and routine of their new school. Pupils moving on to other schools will also attend induction days. To celebrate this major transition in the children's lives, we are holding our customary Y6 Leavers' Service at St Peter's Church on Tuesday 24 July at 2.00 pm. Year 6 parents are warmly invited to attend this special service (and bring their hankies!)

At the other end of the school, we have welcomed children starting in Reception in September for Stay and Play sessions over the last couple of weeks and Miss Jones and Mrs Duffy have been visiting them in their pre-school settings.

On Monday 9th July children in Reception to Year 5 will move up to their new classrooms for the morning. This is when they get to find out who their new teacher(s) will be. Their teachers will be confirmed in a letter which children will bring home with them that afternoon. Their annual reports will be sent home the following week. If any child requires an extra report for a parent not living at home, please inform the school office.

Kind regards,

Mrs Sally Johnson  
Headteacher



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## Tennis tournament:

On the 25th May, Alice H, Zoe, Harry M, Toby, Alice Y, Jack, Albert and Chloe from year 4 went to a tennis tournament at Winchcombe Secondary School. It was an amazing experience and really fun! They played 5 matches which consisted of doubles and singles. One of the groups came 1st and received a lovely gold medal with a tennis racket on. The other group competed well and came 4th. They really enjoyed the day and would love to do it again!

## Highlights and achievements:

### Gold Book Celebration worship

The children whose achievements we have celebrated in the last two weeks are:

Reception Red: Emelia, Tilly, Imogen  
Reception Yellow: Bradley, Marly, Scarlet  
Year One: Scarlet, Ted W, Ted Y  
Year one/Two: Alfie, Olivia, Alyssia  
Year Two: Tiyller, Freddie  
Year Three Red: Huw, Taylor, Ruby  
Year Three Yellow: Justin, Harrison, Patrick  
Year Four: George, Toby, Murray  
Year Five: Lucy, Lillie, Millie  
Year Six: Jem, Siri

## Attendance:

The Government regards 100% as the expected attendance for a Primary School pupil. We expect children in our school to have excellent attendance. We will not authorise absences unless we believe that the occasion is exceptional ie:

- a one off (never to be repeated)
- and
- cannot be avoided on a school day because of unique circumstances beyond your control.

Leave of absence is unlikely to be granted for the purposes of a family holiday or for early travel to attend an event either in this country or abroad, routine medical appointments or because of a lack of childcare etc.

Leave of absence is likely (but not guaranteed) to be granted for the purposes of a funeral or wedding (1 day only), exam (1/2 day only), consultant appointments (medical card or appointment letter must be seen), transition tours for Y6 pupils at secondary school and for induction days at a new school.

Please do talk to us if you have any issues regarding your child's attendance.



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