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Dear Families,

Welcome back to the summer term. It's been wonderful to have the children back and to get out into the sunshine — long may it last! Over the past few months the Governors and I have been thinking about our vision for the school and this term I will be exploring aspects of it with the children. I began this week by explaining that a vision can be a picture of what the future might be like. I also challenged the children to ask their parents about their vision for their children's future. It would be great if you could find some time to discuss this at home as we will be revisiting it in next week's Collective Worship.

Reports and parents' consultation evening

Mid-year reports will be sent out today – thank you to all the teachers who have worked hard to get these completed so soon after the lockdown. By now you should have seen information about how to sign up for your meeting slot. Please contact your teacher or the school office if you are having difficulty signing up.

Weekly Celebration Assemblies

These will continue every Friday unless you are otherwise informed. The link is https://meet.google.com/gnt-jypg-ker We will try to send it out every week but if you are able to bookmark it please do so as it doesn't change.

Library update

The library has been painted and we are now waiting for Gerri to paint some murals on the walls. It looks very bare at the moment but Mrs Bailey is working hard to get it all restocked and organised. Thank you Mrs Bailey and Mrs Ackland for your hard work on the project.





Science Oxford visits

The guidance on school trips has been updated so we have arranged for the pupils to visit Science Oxford this term. Oak and Willow will be visiting on Friday 28th May and Acorn, Beech and Lime will be visiting on Tuesday 15th June. More details and costs will be sent soon but needless to say we are very excited to be able to get out and about again.











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Covid – social distancing reminders

We have been asked by OCC to remind all parents that the next steps of the Covid roadmap are to be taken safely. Thank you for your cooperation with mask-wearing. Please also remember to continue to social distance on the playground and to leave the premises as soon as possible after drop-off and pick-up. I would particularly ask that children do not stay back and play on the adventure playground after school. Not only does this help with social distancing but also children should not use school outdoor equipment without staff supervision for health and safety reasons.

Parking

Thank you again for your cooperation with parking safely. Pease do keep this up so that our children can be as safe as possible when walking to and from school.

Summer events

Over the next few weeks, as restrictions ease, we will be discussing and deciding what events can go ahead this term. Inevitably, if they are not safe or contravene guidance some events will have to be cancelled or stripped back. Please be assured that we will do our best to put on as many activities as we can.

Bikeability cycle training

Just a reminder that the Bikeability cycle training for Year 5s will take place in the w/c 10th May so please could you check that your child's bike is in good working order and that they have a well-fitting helmet.

Please note that we have booked next year's Bikeability training for the w/c 14th March 2022. This will be for the current Year 4s.

Dates for this term

Monday 26th April Stand Together anti-bullying trial (Years 3-6) Friday 28th May Oak and Willow trip to Science Oxford

Friday 28th May (3.15) Break up for half term

Monday 7th June Inset day
Tuesday 8th June Start of term 6

Tuesday 15th June Acorn, Beech and Lime trip to Science Oxford

w/c Monday 5th July Year 6 residential trip to Yenworthy

Wednesday 21st July (1.30) End of school year

Best wishes

Mrs Rachel Medley

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