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Newsletter 7

Dear Parents and Carers

Covid-19 Covid-19 cases are high amongst primary and secondary school aged children across Oxfordshire. Thankfully, the vast majority of children with Covid-19 experience a mild illness. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding this week as we have had three positive cases (one child in Class 5 and two in Class 4). If Public Health advise us to change the operational running of the school then I will let you know. If you have any concerns or questions, please get in touch.

The Hendreds Reads We are a school with a real passion for reading. We hope that you enjoy reading the first issue of *The Hendreds Reads*, a newsletter all about reading.

Harvest Festival Thank you again for your kind and generous donations both for the Wantage and Grove Food Bank and for the produce grown at school. The latter raised £38 which will go towards the planting of a sensory garden.

School Dinners Julie White and the team in the kitchen provide around 100 meals for our pupils every day and around the same amount for children at Grove C of E too...that's about 1,000 meals a week! We are delighted that so many of the children are choosing to have a hot school dinner every day.

School Backpacks The larger size of the school backpacks are now available to purchase under uniform on SCOPAY. These retail at £9.50.

Young Voices audience tickets Once again we are arranging to purchase audience tickets on your behalf for the Young Voices concert on Tuesday 18 January 2022. These tickets are on sale until Friday 15 October 2021 from SCOPAY, so that tickets can be ordered in time for allocation. Cost is £23.00 per ticket. We are unable to provide transport for audience members.

Upcoming residential trips

- Year 3 and 4 have received information about the Court Hill trip at the end of this term.
- The current Year 5 and 6 children who will be our first cohort to go Abernant Lakes in Wales from Friday 10 to Sunday 12 June 2022!
- Next year's cohort (the current Year 4 and 5s) have Osmington to look forward to, early in the next academic year (September 2022), as we return to September residential for Year 5 and 6.
- We will provide details about both the Wales and Osmington trips in the coming week to allow parents to budget for these trips. Please remember to provide permission on SCOPAY so that your child can attend.

Best wishes

Mr J. Veness