

What's on?

Dates

The end of term is 1:30pm on Friday of this week.

All children start back at school on Monday 6th January 2025.

Holiday dates for 2025/26 are now on our school website. If you are planning a holiday for next year, please make sure that it falls within the school holidays.

Junior Chess

Oxfordshire Junior Chess is excited to announce that we will be holding the annual county junior chess tournament on the weekend of 4th / 5th Jan 2025 at Cumnor Primary School. As in previous years, there will be U9, U11, U13, U15/18 sections. The online entry form link is <https://forms.gle/PpAYv8Rq1xvKPG8C9> from which full tournament information and rules can be accessed. The tournament caters for first time tournament entrants all the way through to experienced junior players. Queries are welcomed by email to Anna Bishop at oxfordshirejuniorchess@gmail.com.



Parking and road safety

On Friday we were very saddened to hear of an accident that occurred at pick up time between a car that was travelling at speed and someone pulling out.

After school we also received a telephone call from one of our neighbours saying that they had not been able to get their car on their drive as a result of how parents had parked.

Please do not park in the local roads. Please use the car park.

For the safety of you and your children, please make sure that when you are driving near the school you observe the 20mph speed limit.

THE BIG Festive Matchday

SATURDAY 21st DECEMBER | THE MGROUP STADIUM | FROM 11:30



WHAT'S ON?

11AM TURNSTILES & CHRISTMAS MARKET OPENS

- Featuring Crepes from CrepesOMania, serving French cuisine in Oxford for 18 years!
- Coffee from Jericho Traders Coffee, winner of Oxford's best coffee roaster.
- Fun for the kids with Reindeer Trail and Face Painting.
- Meet Father Christmas at Santa's Grotto.

11:30AM OXFORD CITY WOMEN vs OXFORD UNITED WOMEN XI

- Take your seats for the first game of our double header as our women take to the pitch.

3:00PM OXFORD CITY MEN vs SPENNYMOOR TOWN

- Vanarama National League North action as our Men's First Team take on Spennymoor.

5:00PM 1882 BAR: LIVE MUSIC AROUND THE PIANO WITH RICH SNOW

- Join in with your favourite festive songs and carols around the piano with live music from Sandy's Piano Bar's Rich Snow.

6:00PM 1882 BAR: THE BIG FORTITUDE 50/50 DRAW

- Find out if you've won our BIGGEST prize of the season so far with our 50/50 draw.

WWW.OXFORDCITYFC.CO.UK/TICKETS



Stay safe online

We know that Santa often delivers new technology to children at Christmas. Please take time to make sure that you have set up parental controls and that you have had conversations with your children about staying safe online. The [NSPCC website](https://www.nspcc.org.uk) has some useful resources, as does [Think you know](https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk). You can find out how to set up parental controls on [internet.matters.org](https://www.internet.matters.org)

OSTMA LIONS

Life and safety skill programme for 4 - 6 year old boys and girls.

This specialist programme teaches and develops children's self esteem, increased awareness of body and space, fundamental motor skills, respect, discipline, self control, initiative, stranger awareness and a love of learning.



Classes available in:
WITNEY
EYNSHAM
CHIPPING NORTON

For more information or to book your child in to the session, please call Claire on 07540 316188 or email: cmmartialarts@live.co.uk

GIVE YOUR CHILD THE EDGE

Childrens
Beginner



KARATE CLASSES

AGES 6 - 12 YEARS

Classes available in:
EYNSHAM
CHIPPING NORTON
WITNEY

Pick up the phone and call 07540 316188 or email: cmmartialarts@live.co.uk for more information or to book your child into one of our free introductory lessons. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU.
www.clairemaden.co.uk

FREE
4 Week
Class
Pass

Maths for parents of children in Years 5 and 6

Abingdon and Witney College is running online courses for parents of children in Years 5 and 6. You can sign up for as many courses as you like – [sign up here](#).

CODE	COURSE TITLE	DATE	START TIME	END TIME	DAY
TCZV043P	Year 5 and Year 6 Maths for Parents - Column Addition and Subtraction	13/01/2025	19:00	20:30	Monday
TCZV042P	Year 5 and Year 6 Maths for Parents - Multiples and Factors	20/01/2025	19:00	20:30	Monday
TCZV041P	Year 5 and Year 6 Maths for Parents - Long Multiplication	27/01/2025	19:00	20:30	Monday
TCZV040P	Year 5 and Year 6 Maths for Parents - Long Division	03/02/2025	19:00	20:30	Monday
TCZV039P	Year 5 and Year 6 Maths for Parents - Long Division - Remainders as Fractions and Decimals	10/02/2025	19:00	20:30	Monday

Healthy eating

Simply Veg <https://simplyveg.org.uk/> an excellent website with simple ideas to support families who would like to improve their diet. It has a very gentle approach and includes specific support for children with neurodiversity or hypersensitivity.

Just a reminder that school snacks should be healthy e.g. crackers, fruit, vegetables, cheese, breadsticks, or even a sandwich if your children get hungry. Children should not have crisps, biscuits or chocolate for their snack. Please also remember that we are a nut free school, so please make sure anything you send into school for your child does not contain any nuts.



CALLING ALL PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH OBSESSIVE COMPULSIVE SYMPTOMS/DISORDER (OCD)

Can you help us to develop a brief treatment to help parents support their child to overcome OCD?

We are looking for **parents of children (aged 5 to 12 years old)** with lived experience of OCD/OCD symptoms to attend a series of **6 online workshops**. These workshops aim to help us develop an online intervention focused on supporting parents to learn evidence-based tools to help their child to overcome OCD

We want to make sure the treatment works for as many families as possible, so are looking for parents that identify as being from one or more of the following groups:

- Parents in single-parent families
- Parents from minority ethnic groups
- Parents within low-income families
- Parents who have low levels of confidence/experience using technology



- ✓ Your child does **not** need a diagnosis of OCD
- ✓ You will be **paid for your time**
- ✓ **We can help** if you face difficulties in attending sessions, such as supporting you with costs and visiting you in your local community!

**SCAN FOR MORE
INFORMATION**



To register your interest please scan the QR code
or email **OCD-empower@psych.ox.ac.uk**.

(If you're not able to attend 6 workshops but are keen to help us - please still register your interest and we can find alternative ways that you can be involved!)



You're not alone this **CHRISTMAS**



03444 775 774
www.anxietyuk.org.uk



116 123
www.samaritans.org



0300 123 3393
www.mind.org.uk



0800 068 41 41
www.papyrus-uk.org



0800 1111
www.childline.org.uk



0808 2000 247
www.refuge.org.uk



TEXT YM to 85258
www.youngminds.org.uk



0300 330 0630
www.switchboardlgbt



here for you 24/7
TEXT SHOUT to 85258
www.giveusashout.org



0800 58 58 58
www.thecalmzone.net



0808 801 0677
www.beateatingdisorders.org.uk



0800 9177 650
www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk

Other support organisations are available
Please don't suffer in silence



Skateboarding

There are a few places left for the skateboarding club next term. You can book a place using this link - <https://bookwhen.com/brokenboardsclub?tags=Blake+CofE+Primary+School> If your child is going to attend the later session, they will need to be collected from school and then brought back to the hall for the start time of the later club.

ZUMBA kids

ZUMBA kids jr.

Spaces available - book now!

Contact: katieamiri@gmail.com

The Blake School • Mondays
Years 1-3 with Katie A

**JAM club and
Choir**

Both of these clubs will start again after the Christmas break.

Remind your children to look out for letters about the clubs. Letters will be brought round to their classrooms, probably during the first week of next term.


Lego club

We are delighted that after the Christmas break, Lego club will be expanding to two days a week. The club will run on Thursdays and Fridays, starting the first week of next term.

Owing to the February INSET day, there will be 12 Thursday sessions (£96) and 11 Friday sessions (£88) across the term.


To book for the club on either of the days, please go to their website, www.masterbuildersclub.co.uk or you can email them for more details info@masterbuildersclub.co.uk


**Loving, learning
and flourishing in
community**



**PREMIER
SOCCER CENTRES**

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**APPLICATION FORM FOR BLAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL
AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB**

To guarantee a place you must book now!

- Professional Coaching Courses
- Structured skills and technique sessions
- Open to all boys & girls
- Fun games, competitions and small sided matches
- Start Date Monday 13th January 2025. 10 Weeks (Excluding half term & inset days) 3.30– 4.30 pm each week. **Please send or email the application form to the above address**
- **Cost £49. Application forms must be emailed or sent back to the above address, together with payment. Sessions will always be outside unless conditions are unsafe so please dress appropriately. Any question please drop me a message!**
- **Children to be collected promptly at 4.30pm.**

**I would like my child to attend the School football club during terms 3 & 4
and will pay the £49 fee by:-**
(PLEASE TICK BOX)

Bank Transfer: Nat West Bank. A/C No: 53505697. Sort Code: 60 -21 -21
(Please use reference: - BLA plus your child/children's surname)

NAME OF CHILD AGE:

ADDRESS

HOME TEL:

EMERGENCY TEL:

E-MAIL ADDRESS

MEDICAL CONDITIONS

SCHOOL ATTENDED

SIGNED

(Parent/Guardian)

* In line with GDPR we have updated our privacy policy, to view please visit our website for more details
* Refund policy : We do not issue refunds for any reason. Credit notes will be issued at the discretion of the directors which can be used on any future Premier Soccer Centres course.
* Please note: PREMIER SOCCER CENTRES LTD or the organisation providing the facility cannot accept any liability whatsoever in respect of any personal loss or damage caused whilst attending any course.