



The Weekly Word

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A note from the Principal

After the amazing success of Winter Wonderland and the Family Fun Day I am looking to put together a mailing list of parents/grandparents/other family members/friends who would be willing to volunteer for us in a number of different ways. This might be for example: joining us for a trip so that we can make it viable; coming to help children with non-functional reading ages in a morning during mentor time; giving of their time at a school-community event; making tea and coffee at Parents' Evenings. The list of ways in which you can support your child's school is endless.



We know that families are very busy with many parents working long hours and giving up time to support with sports clubs, guides, cadets, scouts etc. That is why we are not looking to just put together a traditional PTFA, but to also bring together a larger group of people who might be able to give of their time a couple of times a year to help drive your community school to the outstanding place we all know it can be.

I will be sending out an email to ask for people to put their names on a mailing list so that we can email out whenever we are in need of volunteer help.



You can follow the music department on [@MusicBAA](https://twitter.com/MusicBAA)

Virtual Reality trip to Paris

On the 20th June, 7F1 had the opportunity to go to Space Studio and use the VR for French in Languages in small groups for 15 minutes. We were given a challenge to get from the l'Arc de Triomphe to the Eiffel Tower which we did quite easily. We had to give the instructions in French though. Once we had found the destination, we were able to visit other French-speaking countries. It was great fun and helped us to remember French directions.

Hopefully we get to go again soon...

Amy, Nancy and Lauren

Next stop: Madrid (Y7 Spanish)



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Cell building



Building models of cells with year 8 @Banbury Academy in science. #teachingandlearning #biology #modelling #science



Banbury Academy 'Cricket Activators'

Oxfordshire Cricket Development Manager, George Setterfield, trained up Year 9 and 10 students recently to become 'Cricket Activators' in the local community. Their skills were put to the test as they supported the NOSSP Banbury Academy Cluster U11 Kwik Cricket Festival at Banbury Cricket Club on Thursday 15 June. They umpired a total of 51 matches across 3 separate competitions between them and did a brilliant job.

Grange Girls, Queensway A Boys and Hanwell B Boys were the eventual winners of the competitions. Well done and thank you to the leaders: Mustafa A, Mahavia H, Daanyaal M, Adeel M, Sohail A, Sohaib H, Ashan M, Haleem H, Oliver B, Freddie L, Finlay M-M, Harley C, Lewis M and Asad H.



Big Bang West Midlands



Today a group of BA and SSB students from years 8, 10 and 12 were exhibitors at the Big Bang West Midlands. They were one of the most popular stalls and made lots of new friends.



Last week's winner Ciara Tunstead generously donated £30.30 in school lottery winnings to school!

[Join here](#)

Bright futures

A fantastic day was had by all at the Oxford Brookes University Experience Day. Year 12 students experienced a range of taster sessions and thoroughly enjoyed learning about university life. There was lots of excitement regarding the future and the exciting opportunities that await!



Opportunities

Remember to check the website noticeboard for regularly updated apprenticeship and employment opportunities: [noticeboard](#)



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Fabulous GCSE art and textiles exhibition



The GCSE art and textiles exam work is currently on display in the library. We have some very talented artists!



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