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**Dates for the Spring term**

**Dear Parents,**

**Y3/4 Sportshall athletics competition:**

On Thursday of this week, a group of children from Year 3 and 4 represented Friars at an athletics tournament run by the London Schools sports and PE network. They did a range of track and field events. We competed against 6 other schools. The children did amazingly well and were a real credit to the school. We came a very respectable 4th overall. Well done all!

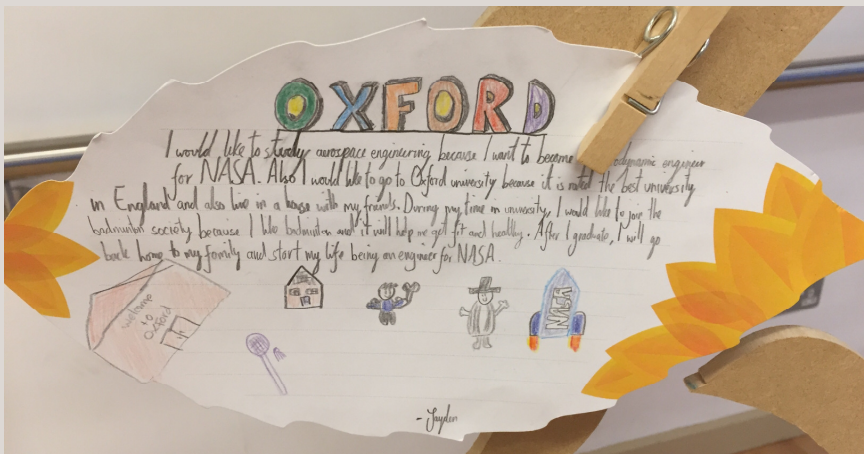
**Paperless newsletters:**

We are considering "going paperless" with our newsletters. This means they would continue to be posted on our website, they would be emailed to parents but we would still keep a few paper copies in the Reception area. There are three reasons for this: 1. it will save a considerable amount of money; 2. less paper will be used up and 3. the impact of children's learning featured on the website is very often diminished because the loss of quality when photocopying. We will send out a reply slip next week to gain parents views on whether they would support this move.

**Year 6 "Into University" Engineering project:**

Our Year 6 children have spent this week working with the charity "Into University" on the theme of engineering. They have taken part in a number of activities including finding out about different forms of engineering, going to the glass floor walkway at Tower bridge and designing their own bridges. They have also thought about their own aspirations for the future and have spent today visiting Christ's College Cambridge to meet undergraduates and have their very own special Into university graduation ceremony. The staff from "Into University" have been full of praise for their fabulous attitudes. This week's learning feature on the newsletter comes from Jayden who wrote very articulately about his desire to do aeronautical engineering at Oxford and then work for NASA. Well done Jayden and all of Year 6 for being so aspirational!

**Children's learning at Friars:**



**Tuesday 24th January**—YN and YR scooter training am

**Wednesday 25th January**—Y1 Teddy Bear Hospital

**Thursday 26th January**—Y5 Shakespeare workshop

**Friday 27th January**—Y5/6 Hi5 netball competition 11-2

**Monday 30th January**—application focus week

**Tuesday 31st January**—Parent open morning 9:10—10:10

**Wednesday 1st February**—Y2 to Museum of London; CSI project for Y5 and Y6

**Thursday 2nd February**—football match vs Goodrich 3:45 GMH park

**Tuesday 7th February**—YR eye examinations

**Monday 13th to Friday 17th February**—half term break

**Monday 27th February**—Book Fair Week

**Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th March**—spring term parent consultations

**Wednesday 15th March**—Pele and Zebe's roadtastic adventure for Y1 and 2

**Tuesday 21st March**—Y5 to "Into University"

**Friday 31st March**—last day of the Spring term

**Thought for the week on birds and peace**

"I will write peace on your wings and you will fly all over the world" Sadako Sasaki

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**Have a great weekend!**  
Yours sincerely,  
**J. Burtt, Headteacher**



**EYFS/KS1**

**Year One**

**Freddie Mitchell**

for making fantastic progress in reading.

**Well Done!**



**KS2**

**Year Six**

**AJ Adio**

for his amazing team work during Into University week.

**Well Done!**



**Assembly theme / value this week:**  
**Chinese New Year**



	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	6	99.1%
2nd	2	93.7%
3rd	4	93.0%
4th	3	92.3%
5th	5	82.4%
6th	1	80.9%
7th	R	77.3%



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2nd	2	97.0%
3rd	4	96.0%
4th	3	92.6%
5th	5	90.6%
6th	1	86.0%
7th	R	80.1%