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Friday 16th October 2009

I cannot believe we only have one more week left in this half term. Time has certainly flown by and I have to say I have had a brilliant first half term!

We may be a small school but we are a very active one thanks to the hard work of everyone involved. Thank you for all your continued support.

Over this last week I have been lucky enough to attend meetings of the Parish Council, the PCC and the Sports Association. Everyone involved holds the school in high regard and there is a commitment from a large number of people to ensure that we are fully involved in all aspects of community development.

Many thanks to all of you who attended Church on Sunday. It was a wonderful occasion enjoyed by everyone including members of my family and Mrs Nutting's family.

Parent's evenings

You should have received a letter about our first formal parents evenings which will be taking place on Tuesday 3rd November and Wednesday 4th November. Please could you return your slips to your child's classteacher as soon as possible. We will be confirming times with you before the end of this half term.

Family Learning taster session

Many of you will remember I asked for interest in a range of free family learning courses which could be made available to you all earlier this half term.

We have been lucky enough to be offered a free taster session which will take place in school next Friday morning from 9:30 am. The letter for this was sent home earlier this week. We have 15 adult places for the 'Art and Animation' workshop.

If you would like a place please complete the slip and return it to the school office or contact Mrs Leng who will be able to give you more information on any surplus places. Each adult will be joined by one child for the last 45 minutes of the session which will be a great deal of fun!

Butterfield Class teacher

Many of you will be aware that our Year 3 classteacher, Mrs Carol Morton, has been with us for quite a while now. Carol is currently employed by the school on a temporary contract which ends at the end of this term. As a result the school has advertised this teaching post and we intend to interview shortlisted candidates after half term. The successful person will take up the post from January 2010. We will keep you up to date with developments as they happen.

Advertising the school

Last week I included a section on our open afternoon for prospective new parents of children due to start school in September 2010. This event will be advertised in the local press and around the village. However, we would like to advertise this event as widely as possible. As

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someone who is new to the area I would appreciate any help you may be able to give the school with helping to attract as many people as possible to come along on the afternoon of Thursday 12th November. If you know of a local business who may display one of our posters please let us know. Posters are available from the school office if you know of someone who would be happy to display one.
Many thanks with your support.

Friends

Our jumble sale raised a massive £262.37 for the school - thanks to all those who helped or provided jumble.
Unfortunately we have had to cancel the P Party - we hope to re-arrange a disco for February. All money paid will be reimbursed.
Christmas cards - please can you send money / cheque and completed order forms by Monday 19th October. **All cheques should be payable to 'Friends of Oxenhope School' and not to the school (the order form is incorrectly printed). Spare order forms are available from the School Office.
We are still taking orders for Pantomime tickets - Upper circle £9.50 each and dress circle £17.50 each.

Photographs

Every child in school had their photographs taken this week, you will have received a proof, and if you would like to order any photographs please send the order into school by Thursday 22nd October at the latest.

Stars of the week

Bronte	-	Jessica Egan
Lister	-	Ashwaan Joomun-Whitehead
Hockney	-	Imogen Archer
Butterfield	-	Ciaren Crabtree
Devonshire	-	Harry Mackley
Priestley	-	Harvey Wynn
Macmillan	-	Sophie Tankard

Lunchtime superstar - Kareena Bains, Rhianna Thomas, Joshua Day, Finn Hughes

Attendance weekly winners - Macmillan with 100%

Have a great weekend!

Mr D Burns (Headteacher)