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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

21st October 2016

Dear parents, carers and families

How much could one school fit into a half term? As I write this newsletter to you and reflect, I am blown away by how much our students have achieved, the experiences they have had and the aspirations which have been set.

The term has been packed with learning, opportunity and many firsts. This week a group of students took place in a panathlon sports event with other local schools. Highlights of the term have included; an orchestra playing in our hall, street dance, community visits and work experience, horse riding, rebound therapy, reflexology, yoga, and the list goes on.

It has been lovely welcoming you to parents' evenings this week. I do hope that you found it of benefit meeting the class teams and seeing the immense teamwork in action that is so apparent at Endeavour.

School will resume on Monday 31 October – Halloween. The entire school have been invited to Endeavour House for a Halloween party at 2.00pm. If your child would like to come to school in their Halloween costume or bring their costume to school to change for the party we would be delighted.

As we finish this Half Term it remains for me to thank you for your continued support, thank our talented and incredibly hard working staff and of course your children for their hard work, resilience and for making us smile every day.

I wish you a safe and happy Half Term and am excited by the prospect of what next Half Term will bring.

To finish on this week's quote:

You have this one life. How do you want to spend it? Apologising? Regretting? Questioning? Hating yourself? Dieting? Running after people who don't see you? Be brave. Believe in yourself. Do what feels good. Take risks. You have this one life. Make yourself proud.

Towards a bright future

Best wishes

Angela O'Rourke

Principal



**Sorry to mention Christmas this early ...
but if your presents and shopping don't
arrive as pictured, and you're about to
embark on an online spending spree ...**

**please support
Endeavour Academy.**

7th October 2016

As you may know, via easyfundraising (www.easyfundraising.org.uk) you can raise funds for Endeavour Academy every time you shop online. Supporting Endeavour Academy in this way is quick, convenient and will not cost you a penny.

Whenever you buy anything on line from your weekly shop to your annual holiday, you can raise a free donation for your child's school. There are over 3,100 retailers registered with the site, including Amazon, Ebay, leading supermarkets & department stores, who will donate a percentage of what you spend to Endeavour Academy to say thank you for shopping with them.

If you aren't aware or haven't registered, here's how it works:

- 1. Sign Up** - go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/endeavouracademy/> and click on the button to sign up.
- 2. Shop** – from the easyfundraising website, search for the retailer you'd like to shop with and click through to the retailer to make your purchase. This tells the retailer you came from easyfundraising. The price is *exactly the same* as if you'd visited the retailer directly.
- 3. Get a donation** – after you've made your purchase, the retailer will give you a cash reward that easyfundraising turn into a direct donation to Endeavour Academy.

Please be assured there are no hidden catches or charges and Endeavour Academy and therefore your child, will benefit from every purchase you make.

Thank you for your support,

Endeavour Academy

The Oxford City Casuals are recruiting!



We pride ourselves on being a fun, friendly and safe disability football team helping our players achieve their potential on and off the pitch.

We are recruiting male and female players of all ages and abilities for the 2016/17 season which starts on Sunday 4 September 2016. We welcome any players for a trial to see whether it's right for them before they register with us.

We train on Sunday morning's from 10am to 11.30am at Oxford City Football Club, Marsh Lane, Marston, Oxford, OX3 0NQ. During the season our players participate in the BOBi league, the second largest disability league in the country and we run regular social events.

For more information contact Manager Mark Heelis at mark_heelis@hotmail.com or on 07714 756917.



A fun, friendly and safe
disability football team

Oxford City Casuals

A fun, friendly and safe pan-disability club

About us

Oxford City FC is an award winning FA Charter Standard Community Club and is the biggest participation club in Oxford with 50 teams of all ages and abilities.

The Oxford City Casuals are a pan-disability football team. Under the guidance of Head Coach Mark Heelis, we organise very popular weekly training sessions on Sunday mornings and take part in tournaments against other teams.

The Casuals are a friendly and welcoming club with enthusiastic coaches who are passionate about helping providing a safe, fun and friendly environment for children and adults to be the best they can be on and off the pitch. We have around 55 male and female players registered aged 5 to 45.



We run training sessions every Sunday at Oxford City FC on the excellent 3G facility starting at 9.45am and finishing around 11.30am.

Throughout the season, the Casuals participate in the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Inclusive (BOBi) League with Casuals teams representing Oxford City Football Club.

New players are always welcome

We are always happy for new players to join us. Why not come along for a trial to see if our team is for you? After a trial period if players would like to continue playing with us we ask for a £35 annual subscription which helps contribute to the running of the team, refreshments and the socials we organise.

If you are interested in finding out more or coming along one Sunday to meet us, please contact Mark at mark_heelis@hotmail.com or on 07714 756917.

More information can be found at <http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/oxfordcityfc/s/team-1500.html>





Oxford Eagles

Wheelchair basketball

Oxford Eagles is an all inclusive sports club aimed at having fun and enjoying sport.

We don't just focus on basketball, we do all sorts of different sports, dodgeball, balloon volleyball, you name it.

Wheelchair basketball is accessible to everyone so come along, give it a go. No equipment needed, we supply the chairs.

Sunday 10-11am
Leys pool and leisure center
Blackbird leys

Website: www.facebook.com/oxfordeagles

Email: oxfordeagleswbc@gmail.com

Coach: Kieran Calvert - calvert@maths.ox.ac.uk



Oxford City Casuals

Newsletter, September 2016



A fun, friendly and safe disability football club

Welcome to my September 2016 newsletter. I am Mark Heelis, the manager of the Oxford City Casuals. I hope you enjoy reading my latest Newsletter. If you have any feedback or questions please do get in touch.

Welcome to the 2016/17 season

A warm welcome to all players, parents, support workers, coaches and support staff to the 2016/17 season. I am looking forward to the year ahead and helping our players achieve their best on and off the pitch.

2016/17 player registration

Player registration forms for 2016/17 are ready for collection. This is the first year the registration fee has gone up in some time and it is necessary to make sure we cover our costs and continue to be financially sustainable.

We would be grateful if players/parents can complete the form and bring them along with their fees as soon as possible in readiness for the first BOBi tournament on Sunday 25 September.

Reminder of 16/17 BOBi fixtures:

Sunday 25 September 2016	Marlow
Sunday 30 October 2016	Oxford City
Sunday 13 th November 2016	Oxford City
Sunday 26 th March 2017	tbc
Sunday 23 th April 2017	Oxford City
Sunday 21 nd May 2017	Northampton

Player arrival times

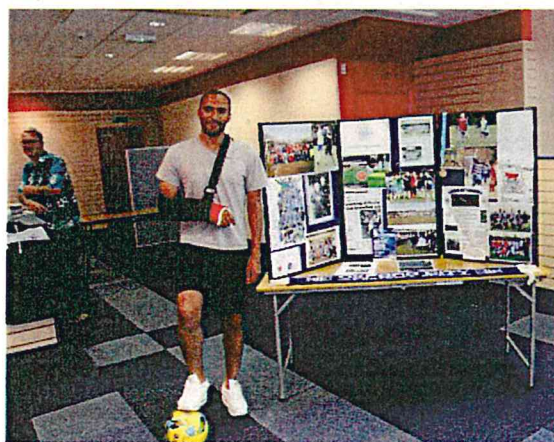
On Sunday's the club house will be open from 9.30am. Please can all players arrive after this time. We recognise this will be a change for some players who used to arrive earlier, but we ask parents and support staff to help players adapt to the new times.

Player & volunteer recruitment

Last season our players told us they would like to see more players join the Casuals. In response to this we have conducted recruitment activities during the summer:

Abingdon FreeSpace

Mark Horne opened up a temporary Casuals drop in shop on Bury Street in Abingdon. For 4 days in mid-August Mark manned the store with support from Martin Ofori-atta and myself to recruit new players and volunteers.



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'Have a go' day 2016

On Tuesday 30 August Lee Harbert joined me at the 'Have a go' disability sports day at Horspath Sports Ground. This is the fourth



year the event, organised by Oxfordshire Sport and Physical Activity has been held. It usually attracts over 200 people. Lee

and I ran football sessions and small sided games to attract more players to the Casuals.

New Disability Officer

Jonathan Coles joined Oxfordshire FA and Berkshire and Buckinghamshire FA as their new Disability Football Development Officer. Jonathan will be providing support to us to recruit new players, which includes a priority for female players and under 16 players.



Macron training clothing

Official training clothing can be purchased from Macron, the clubs official supplier at: <http://www.macronstorecardiff.com/collections/clubs-oxford-city-fc>. Alternatively we can place an order on your behalf, please see one of our coaching or support staff to collect an order form.

Coaches update

It is a real pleasure to work alongside such enthusiastic, dedicated and talented coaches and support staff each week. We could not run the Casuals without their support.



I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all our volunteer coaches: Pete Burden, Dave Jefferies, Bea Curtis, Lee Harbert, Andy Bowen, Chris Barrett, Mason

Curtis, Steph Carrick, Nikolay Boychev, Evie Curtis, Martin Ofori-atta, Mark Horne; as well as support staff Sarah Simmonds and Celia Angel.

Stay up to date with the Casuals

You can find information on Oxford City Casuals events and tournaments online at: <http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/oxfordcityfc/s/team-1500.html>.

Get in touch

If you have any questions, provide feedback or would like to discuss how you may be able to help with the Casuals please get in touch: mark_heelis@hotmail.com or 07714 756917.