

# Frank Wise School Newsletter



## Welcome Back!

It has been an utter delight having the children back so far this term and it is safe to say that they have settled back in to the routines of school better than in any year since the pandemic. Having reestablished the routines last year, it is clear that the vast majority of children are embracing being back and are engaging in their learning enthusiastically. It has also been great to see those pupils who are new to Frank Wise School finding their feet as they start their journey with us.

## New Website Images

We have given the website a bit of a revamp since the start of term, with some wonderful new images, some of which you can see below. We have also made sure that the website is up to date with all of the latest information and policies, so if you need to find out more about what we do and how, then you are likely to find much of what you need at [www.frankwise.oxon.sch.uk](http://www.frankwise.oxon.sch.uk)



## Local Area SEND Inspection

You may have seen in the local press that Oxfordshire Local Area, which is made up of Oxfordshire County Council and the Buckinghamshire, Oxfordshire and Berkshire West Integrated Care Board recently received the outcome of the CQC/ OfSTED inspection which took place at the end of the Summer Term.

It is fair to say that the report pulled no punches with regard to the state of SEND systems, processes and practice in Oxfordshire, something which will come as no surprise to many of you. In addition to this, the education leadership within OCC is currently made up of predominantly interim members of staff. Shirley Gelleburn, Chair of Governors, has written to OCC and our local MP Victoria Prentis to express our collective concern regarding this and seeking assurances in relation to how Frank Wise School, as a Local Authority Maintained school, will be supported in these circumstances. As such, we will be meeting with the Interim Executive Director: People, Transformation & Performance and the Interim Corporate Director: Children's Services to discuss this further.

The full report can be read here - <https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50228374>

## INSET Day

Just a quick reminder that the half term will end on Thursday 19th October as we will be having an INSET day on Friday 20th. We will look forward to welcoming the pupils back on Monday 30th October.