

Oyster Park Primary School

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10th March 2017



Parent Workshops

Y6 Inspire session took place last Friday and was linked to the book *The Chocolate Tree*, a Mayan Folktale. During the session, parents and children were given an opportunity to work together, designing Mayan masks and challenging themselves in carrying out a quiz about chocolate. The highlight of the afternoon would have to be the chocolate tasting and enjoying a relaxing cup of hot chocolate. Parents reported that they always enjoy an opportunity to come into school to work alongside their children.

Year 5 had their inspire afternoon this week for World Book week. Our inspire activities were based around the class reader 'The Boy in the dress' by David Walliams. The children have been reading this text in class and thought up activities they could do based on the text. The activities included: designing a new dress for the character Dennis to wear, designing a new football kit that Dennis' team could wear and other activities included creating a new character for the book and writing a description for this, a maths activity working out the cost of wrapping paper from Raj's shop and his many deals. The final activity got the children to think of something they were proud of. They had to create a poster to show what they were proud about. Some of the children then shared these with each other in class.



On Tuesday afternoon Year 2 enjoyed making aliens, UFOs and even underpants that they designed themselves. We were using the story *Aliens Love Underpants* to inspire us to describe aliens using suffixes. We really enjoyed seeing lots of parents and children getting involved with learning about the story.'



Library Visits

On Wednesday, year 4 had a fantastic visit to Airedale Library. We listened to funny stories and had a quiz to test our knowledge about famous book characters! After that, we even got to design our very own underpants which were the theme for this year's World Book Day.



The Deep

On Tuesday Year 1 went for a visit to The Deep. The children really enjoyed themselves and saw lots of different animals that live in the sea. They particularly enjoyed seeing the sharks, jelly fish and penguins and had the opportunity to produce some beautiful pieces of art work based around these animals. The children had a fantastic day and behaved beautifully. We are looking forward to using adjectives to describe the animals we saw and using water colours to produce some under the sea pictures.



Multicultural Workshop

This week 3T have been lucky enough to have a visit from two university students who spoke about their own countries. During the visit the children learnt a lot about Africa and China. The children enjoyed various activities from dancing with traditional fans, African bracelet making and food tasting from China.



Easter Holiday Clubs

Elite Sports Coaching will be running clubs during the Easter half term break, free of charge for children from Oyster Park from years 1 to 6. We will send out more information when we receive it.

School Meals

Our current catering provides will be offering a sandwich options alongside the 3 hot meals they currently provide from 24th April, menus showing what will be on offer will be sent out to parents before we finish for the Easter break.

Packed Lunches

Please can we remind you that you do not need to provide your child with a drink in the packed lunches, water is provided for all children and lunchtimes.

Parents Evening after Easter

We will be holding parents evenings for Reception to year 5 on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th April, letters will be sent out for you to book an appointment shortly. Parents evening for year 6 will be held on Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23rd March to speak to parents about the preparation for stats.

School Uniform

We have noticed that a number of children are coming to school not in the correct school uniform.

School uniform consists of:

- Royal blue cardigan or sweatshirt
- Black trousers, shorts, skirt, or pinafore dress
- Sensible black shoes (dark trainers)
- white polo shirt
- Blue and white dress (summer option for girls)

We are letting parents and children know that school uniform is being monitored and from next week any child that is not in the correct uniform will be required to change the clothing.

Parents will be contacted and asked to bring the correct school uniform.

The school may in exceptional circumstances provide a jumper/cardigan on loan. This will need to be returned. A small fee will be charged when items are not returned.

INSET day

Please remember that school is closed to children for staff training (INSET day) on Monday 13th March. Staff will be continuing to look at how maths can best be taught, with a particular focus on problem solving.

Year 6 SATs After School and Breakfast clubs

We have been pleased with the number of children attending after school maths and reading clubs to help them prepare for their SATs in May. Every mark counts so preparation and revision are very important. Please encourage your child to attend and to keep up their positive attitude towards this.

Year 6 breakfast sessions that started this week are proving popular please encourage your child to come along. This will be separate to the school breakfast club. Children should come straight to class from **8.00am** for cereal or toast and a drink. They can then have some independent time to practice and revise using their revision guides whilst staff support children with things they individually need to work on. We will not be having breakfast club boosters on Tuesdays and Thursday as we will be running the after school sessions.

Term Dates 2016-2017

Date	Event
Monday 13 th March	INSET day –school closed to children
Friday 7 th April 2017	School closes for Easter
Monday 24 th April 2017	School re-opens
Monday 1 st May 2017	Closed for May Bank Holiday
Friday 26 th May 2017	School closes for half term
Monday 5 th June 2017	School re-opens
Tuesday 25 th July 2017	School closes for Summer

Term Dates 2017-2018

Date	Event
Monday 4 th September 2017	School opens
Friday 20 th October 2017	School closes for half term
Monday 30 th October 2017	School re-opens
Friday 15 th December 2017	School closes for Christmas
Tuesday 2 nd January 2018	School re-opens
Friday 9 th February 2018	School closes for half-term
Monday 19 th February 2018	School re-opens
Thursday 29 th March 2018	School closes for Easter
Monday 16 th April 2018	School re-opens
Monday 7 th May 2018	Closed for May Bank Holiday
Friday 25 th May 2018	School closes for half term
Monday 4 th June 2018	School re-opens
Wednesday 25 th July 2018	School closes for Summer

We have 5 INSET days to be arranged for staff training in 2017/18

Let's Celebrate



Class	Attendance National average is 96%	Star of the Week	WOW Work
Morning Nursery Miss Cockerham	87%	Alfie Cobb Lexi Mai Bone Hunter-Jayden Cook	Holly Taylor
Afternoon Nursery Miss Cockerham	90%	Lewis Sheridan Freya-Rose Scholes	Gracie-Lou Addle
RW Miss Woods	93%	Georgia Berry Brenton Joyens	Bailey Sykes
RC Mrs Coomber	84%	Victoria Lutinska Tyler Dodgson	Alissa Hennessey
1T Miss Tonks	99%	Goldie Beresford Ethan Taylor	Molly Armstrong
1MH Mrs Marshall/ Mrs Hyde	100%	Christopher Lees Alexis Edwards	Jacob Johnson
2B Miss Brannon	91%	Lilly Ellerker Spencer Kristianson	Jay Johnson
2TW Miss Taylor-White	97%	Alfie Woodcock Olivia Zjaza	Riley Carpenter
3A Miss Ambler	97%	Lee Mbili Kaylub Blakeston	Jakub Markoswki
3T Miss Tomlinson	97%	John Newton Tyler Bryant	Louie Johnson
4F Mr Forsyth	98%	Jayden Shaw Kyle Heath	Lacie Bell
4C Miss Craven	99%	DJ Johnson Chelsea Edwards Redfern	Shantelle Mabika
5S Mrs Smithson	97%	Shanae Chizande Cooper Burke	Cameron Kennedy
5G Miss Golding	96%	Lily Chegwin Rihanna Gaitley	Casey Rowlands
5L Miss Lochman	91%	Logan Westerman	Tyler Savage
6BK Miss King/ Mr Emmett	96%	Shayne Kerry Denver Millington	Chloe Thomas
6H Mrs Hill	98%	Blake Iredale Bethany Doyle	Ellie-Mae Armitage