



# Oxspring News

Newsletter for Oxspring Primary School

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## FROM MRS IRWIN

I would like to say a big thank you to everybody for a fabulous week! The classrooms have been buzzing with exciting learning and some really impressive work was shared in this week's excellent learning. Our fencing club for Year 1 and 2 children started after school on Thursday, with the children working towards achieving a fencing award! We have ended the week with another Roald Dahl Day and in true Oxspring style, the outfits have been super! We will make sure that we take some photographs and let you see some of these in next week's newsletter. Congratulations to Mr West for completing the Great North Run last week and for raising such a significant amount of money for charity. Please see the details below.



## WELL DONE MR WEST

We are delighted to announce that Mr West successfully ran the Great North Run last Sunday in aid of Macmillan Cancer support. He has already managed to raise £300 so far. Many thanks to everyone who have sponsored him so far. There is still time if anyone else is interested in sponsoring Mr West. Please either pop in to the office or go to his 'justgiving' page at [www.justgiving.com/Paul-west14](http://www.justgiving.com/Paul-west14).



## ATTENDANCE

Another excellent week for high attendance. Class 1, 3 and 5 all achieved 100%, followed very closely by Class 2 and Class 4 with 99.3%. Well done again to everybody for a fantastic start to the school year!



*Please remember every school day counts!*

## EXCELLENT LEARNERS 17.9.15



*Lucy W – 'For an excellent written report, using a range of features'*

*Isaac H – 'For being a brilliant ICT class specialist'*

*Ila F – 'For fantastic simile writing'*

*Jack B – 'For a superb attitude to learning'*

*Hugo R – 'For super participation in science testing'*

*Jake A – 'Outstanding work in maths'*

*Lucy W – 'For superb problem solving'*

*Lauren T – 'For excellent characterisation in her writing'*

*Sam K – 'For fabulous rhyming'*

*Freya B – 'For writing her surname'*

*Well done and thank you to all of our excellent learners this week!*

## DATE UPDATES

### Harvest Festival

Due a large number of children participating in school sporting activities on 21<sup>st</sup> October, **the date of the Harvest festival will now take place on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm.** We apologise for any inconvenience this change may cause.

### Parents' evenings

We look forward to seeing you at parents' evening on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September and Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> September.** If you have not yet made your appointment, please contact Mrs Laslett in the office.

*Wishing you a lovely and safe weekend, from Mrs Irwin and all the staff and governors at Oxspring.*

## **CLASS NEWS** (by *Class 5 roving reporters*)

**Class 1** – For phonics the children of Class 1 have been focusing on 'S' for slithery snake using Freddie the frog . He really helps the children to communicate. Counting to ten and twenty has been the focus in maths this week. The children don't always learn from the teachers they also teach themselves, for example we talked to Lily and Georgia who said that they had been writing their own names in their spare time. Also they have been learning about the Gruffalo. We asked the children what their favourite thing is to do and most of the children voted for playdough and the home corner!  
(by Emma and Chloe)

**Class 2** – This week in Class 2 they have been writing stories about Bob the Spaceman. They have also been learning about similes. In maths Class 2 have been exploring number sequences and finding missing numbers. They have been extending their understanding of number bonds . In PE they have been having fun learning about 'kwik cricket' with Mr. Sidebottom. Finally, in their art work the children have been painting their lunar landscape and have been working on an alien shelter. (by Layla and Lauren)

**Class 3** – This week in Class 3 the children made 'croque monsieur' which are a type of French sandwich and wrote instructions about what they had done. They have also began writing recounts. In maths they have been learning to use fact sheets and in science they have been making pyramids and designing a healthy meal.  
(By Seb and Jensen )

**Class 4** - Class 4 have been having fun illustrating and publishing newspaper reports. Their teacher Mrs Rolling has put them on the walls and is very proud of their work. This week in maths Class 4 have been enjoying solving Viking word problems. Some children got the excellent learning award for it. In topic they have been researching and writing about Viking warriors. Class 4 are looking forward to making Viking shields but first they will have to design them. (By Chloe W.)

**Class 5** – This week in Class 5, we have been up to plenty of fun activities! During literacy we have been exploring about when the island of Lindisfarne was attacked by the Vikings. We were writing as if we were a monk and the Vikings raided us. Using our five senses, we have up levelled our writing. We have been working extremely hard in maths to solve number problems. We have been concentrating on word problems all week! ( by Connie and Evie)

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

Could we please ask all parents to write the children's names in all items of school uniform. We are finding that an increasing number of items are being left in lost property and the majority of these are unnamed unfortunately. In addition, could parents also check your child's school coat belongs to them. One of our new starters had his name in his coat and it cannot be found in school. Many thanks for your support with this.

## **CLASS 1 FENCING**

The children in Class 1 enjoyed a very exciting and fun Gruffalo themed fencing session last week with 2 fencing coaches. All the children were so thrilled to be involved and thought it was a fantastic session! Everyone had lots of fun and learnt a lot of new skills!



## **OXSPRING UNIVERSITY**

If any parents in Class 1 or Class 2 are able to help out during our Friday morning Oxspring University sessions between 11.15am and 12 noon, could you please contact your child's class teacher. Your help will be very greatly appreciated. Many thanks.

*Did you know.....*

*Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September is*

*'International Talk Like a Pirate Day'*



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*'Learn, Endeavour, Aspire, Respect, Nurture'*