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Oxspring News

Newsletter for Oxspring Primary School

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From Mr West

Welcome back for the 2nd half of the spring term! The children have come back refreshed and eager to learn, and have got instantly engaged with their work this week. It was brilliant to see so many children at the disco too, thank you to the PTA for organising another fun event. On this newsletter, you will find details of next week's workshops and advance warning of World Book Day, so make sure these dates are in your diary!

Update from our Chair Of Governors.

As you will have read in the last newsletter, Mrs Irwin was looking forward to being back with us this week. Unfortunately her recovery hasn't progressed quite as well as anticipated and she is still not well enough to return to work. Obviously we all wish Mrs Irwin well and hope that she gets better very soon. In the meantime Mr West remains Acting Headteacher and he will continue to lead the school in Mrs Irwin's absence. If you have any concerns or queries please don't hesitate to contact either Mr West or me at school.

Pam Heggie, Chair of the Governing Board.

Workshops

Following on from this weeks Y6 SATs workshop, next week we are holding two more:

Monday 6:00pm -A Y2 SATs workshop— Mrs Tomlinson will be explaining the changes in Y2 SATS compared with previous years, how the children are preparing for these in school and how you can support them.

Thursday 5:00pm—Key Stage 1 phonics: Mrs Reeve will be sharing information about how we teach and assess phonics in school and what you can do to help and support.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Safety First

Please could I request that parents do not use the school car park to drop off or collect children at the beginning and end of the day. We had an situation this week when a child unexpectedly ran into the car park as staff members were leaving. I appreciate your cooperation with this.

EXCELLENT LEARNERS 19/02/2016

This weeks excellent learners and hot shot writers! Each week every teacher chooses one to be awarded for excellence in writing, and the other for showing a spark for learning in any aspect of the curriculum.



Class 1: Lily T—For her alien description.

Dylan A—For creating an alien and having a go at labelling it.

Class 2: Lucy D—For using noun phrases to make her writing more interesting.

Lucas M— For trying hard in maths to solve tricky fractions.

Class 3: Lauren D—For a brilliant attitude towards all her learning.

Joe T—For using adverbial phrases to improve sentences.

Class 4: Hazel O—For her fabulous description of a Mayan god.

Jessica L.—For perseverance in maths when finding equivalent fractions.

Class 5:

Amelia H —For a wonderful review of Mary Poppins.

Novved PS—Excellent thinking whilst working with angles

Well done to all our award winners, keep up the good work! It shows what a wide range of wonderful work your children are producing every week.



Please remember that you don't need to wait for parents evenings if you want to see your child's work or discuss their progress—our doors are always open.

Roving Reporters

Class 1

Class 1 have had a very busy week, especially reading 'Aliens love underpants' and then making their underpants.

Because of their topic Aliens and Space, they also made alien figures out of playdough and shapes. Last but not least, in their very exciting P.E lessons they've been using their skills to make star shapes on the apparatus.

By Connie and Lauren

Class 2

In Class 2 they have been learning lots about fractions in maths.

Also they have been writing about 'Charlie and the Chocolate factory' which includes writing a description about Charlie Bucket. On the subject of Charlie and the Chocolate factory they have written about the scene when Prince Pondicherry's Chocolate palace melted.

Last of all in P.E they have got the chance to go on the hall apparatus.

By Lily and Layla.

Class 3

Class 3 have been practicing their swimming at Hoyland swimming baths. The students have also been learning about times tables and giving directions in maths. Topic has also been a fun learning experience. All of Class 3 are making drawbridges for their castles.

By Seb and Dan

Class 4

This week Class 4 have been learning about equivalent fractions. Literacy this week was very different. They created Mayans and used them to make up their own myths. Science was very interesting too, they were learning about different types of teeth. In P.E they have been playing cricket with Dean.

By Emma and Chloe W

Class 5

This week Class 5 have been busy!

In maths we have been measuring triangles with protractors to find out the angles. Some found this quite fun and some definitely didn't! In literacy we have been doing a mix, but on Thursday we started some story writing about going back in time to the Mayan times. We got to choose the characters and the story line. Finally, we have been making "Lorax" trees and writing things on the trunks to persuade people not to chop down rainforests.

By Tommy + Felix



Class 1 Super Heroes!



There have been mysterious reports of children flying round Class 1, attempting feats of super human strength and saving our school with amazing powers!

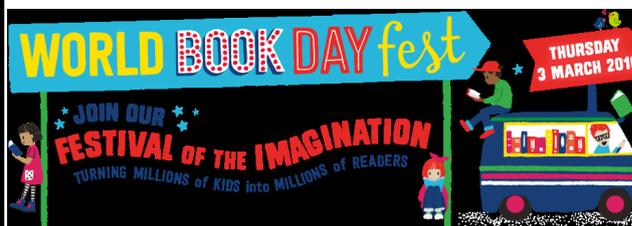
The children have been transforming themselves into superheroes and shared their costumes with us in assembly before the holiday. Thank you for sharing your work with us Class 1!

Fencing

There are still a few spaces left for the Key Stage Two fencing club which takes place on Thursdays after school. If your child would like a place, please contact the office.

Advance Warning:

World book day is on Thursday 3rd March. After last year's fabulous effort, we are going to have a dressing up day once again. The theme once again will be a character from a book. So, if your child would like to join in, be creative and see what you can create. We shall also plan activities in school to promote a love of books and stories on the day.



Attendance:

The attendance figures from last week are as follows:

Class 1 87.1% Class 2 92.1%

Class 3 97% Class 4 95%

Class 5 90.8%

Well done to class 3! May I remind everyone to ensure that you collect a leave of absence form from the office if you are planning to take your children out of school in term time.

And finally...

On behalf of all the staff and governors at Oxspring Primary, I would like to wish you all a wonderful restful weekend, and look forward to seeing you all on Monday.