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# Oxspring News

Newsletter for Oxspring Primary School

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**From Mrs Irwin—** I hope that everyone had a lovely half term break and a well deserved rest. This week seems to have flown by already and so much has been happening in and around school. We are very excited about our launch of the next stage of our reading developments and 'Paws to Read' is a huge success in every classroom. We are also delighted to report on the achievements of our children who attended the cross country event at Cannon Hall this week. All 5 children came in the top 20 and we are incredibly proud of their accomplishments—further details can be found below! Many thanks to the family members who also went along to help out at the event. It has been another successful World Book Day this week with some amazing outfits to be seen! Thank you to everyone for such wonderful effort. My fondest memory of the day has to be Mr West dressed as 'Where's Wally' hiding against the hall wall! Wishing you a very enjoyable weekend.

**CROSS COUNTRY—**Fantastic news regarding our children who took part in the cross country event at Cannon Hall on Wednesday. Approximately 20 schools were involved from across Barnsley. The results were as follows: **Year 3—Jonah B (7th); Alex T (12th); Archie (18th)** **Year 4— Rosie B (6th); Luke (10th)**. Mrs Sparks (Governor) who attended the event explained, 'All 5 of our children came in the top 20 out of 400 children entering the heats in each year, which is a phenomenal achievement.' Well done and thank you—you are all amazing!



## PANCAKE DAY / WORLD BOOK DAY



The breakfast club celebrated Pancake Day on Tuesday morning! It was also really lovely to see so much effort put into this year's World Book Day costumes. Here are a few memories ....



## EXCELLENT LEARNERS - 3.3.17



Meet this week's excellent learners who should be very proud of their achievements. The teachers choose one child for showing a positive attitude towards learning in any aspect of the curriculum, as well as a second child for being a reading champion (RC).

**Class 1: Dexter B**—For fantastic ideas in the role play area; **Eliza A**— For trying hard to read the new class labels! (RC)

**Class 2: : Georgia S**—For asking interesting questions about the 'special delivery' to class!; **William S**— For trying hard to decode words! (RC)

**Class 3: Jonah B**—For fabulous similes about an animal; **Miles H**—For brilliant participation during guided reading! (RC)

**Class 4: Rowern P**—For excellent bowling skills in cricket.; **Macen W**—For having a real love of books! (RC)



**Class 5: Laura H**—For making such excellent progress across all her work; **Jordan C**—For wonderfully expressive reading! (RC)

## TOPICS – SPRING TERM (second half)

For your information, the children are currently learning about the following topics:

**Class 1** – Pirates

**Class 2** – Meerkat Mail

**Class 3 and 4** – Around the World in 80 Days

**Class 5**—Comparative study of the Victorian era (1880s) and the 1980s

If you have (or know anyone who has) any particular knowledge or skills linked to any of our topics this half term and are interested in sharing them with us, please get in touch!

**SAINSBURYS VOUCHERS—Please note that we are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. There is a box in reception. Many thanks.**

**ATTENDANCE**—Well done to Class 1 for achieving the highest attendance of 100% in the last week before half term. Fantastic work ! Class 4 came next with 99.1%, closely followed by Class 3 with 98.7%. Finally Class 2 had 96.4% and Class 5 with 95.5%.

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