

Oasis Academy Putney

Weekly Newsletter
Friday 4th February 2022



Dear Parents/ Carers,

It is quite hard to believe that we are approaching the halfway point of the year. We are well into the spring term.

It has been a very busy week with our Regional Director and the National Director visiting this week. The children have impressed them by demonstrating how hard they are working as well as the knowledge and skills they have learnt.

We enjoy welcoming you into the school as much as possible and as the covid rates continue to reduce in the coming weeks, we hope to once again share our rich and varied experiences with you all and let you back into school.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Glenn and the Putney Team.

Parents' Evening

Just a reminder that parents' evening will be held virtually on the 8th and 9th February next week!

SATs workshop/curriculum update

Parent/carers have been invited into school to meet with class teachers to receive important information about the Year 2 statutory assessments which will take place in May. The meeting will be held on 28th March at 9:00am – straight after drop off- in the main hall. Attendance at the workshop is vital, and if any parent/carers cannot attend this date, please inform the class teacher who will ensure important information is passed on. We will be taking a register on the day.

Big Garden Birdwatch 2022

The Eco council would just like to make children aware that this weekend is the Big Garden Birdwatch 2022. If you are keen to help gather data and spend time (just one hour) counting the birds you see in your garden, from your balcony or your local park, then this weekend is the one to do it. Go to [Big Garden Birdwatch | The RSPB](#) to tell the RSPB what you saw and do your bit to help nature. Thank you. Eco Council

PE Kits

Can you please ensure that children bring their PE kit on a Monday and leave it in school until Friday. If your child does an after-school club it would be beneficial if they brought a separate sports kit to ensure that PE kits are not left at home. If any parent/ carer has spare PE kit that they would like to donate please send this in to the school office. If your child forgets their kit they will be expected to wear a spare kit to ensure they participate in the lesson.

WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 3rd MARCH 2022

We have some exciting news to announce, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 3rd March! World Book Day will take place on Thursday 3rd March 2022.

This year is a special year for the event as it is its 25th anniversary. The theme for this year is '**You are a reader**'. To celebrate this wonderful event, we would like to invite the children to come dressed as a book character for the day. It would be wonderful if the children can bring in a copy of the book with their character in, so that they can share their stories with their friends and teachers. Throughout the course of the day, the children will take part in lots of fun activities based around reading. There will be live streamed events via the World Book Day website, which we will be able to join in with.

We are very much looking forward to seeing the children dressed up as their favourite book characters, and being able to take part in the event at school once again.

Thank you in advance for your support.

The Reading Team

Online safety

I wanted to share a real fairy tale book, based on 'Goldilocks' aimed at younger primary pupils to raise awareness of online risk. This Online safety easy reader is great for reading and sharing with children in EYFS and KS1. It is a modern twist on the classic story and offers a fun and accessible way for you to discuss social media related issues with younger children. The book can either be downloaded, to be read together on a device, or printed off. There is also a puzzle page to accompany the story. Goldilocks can be found here [Goldilocks by Jeanne Willis and Tony Ross - Vodafone](#)

Story Telling Week

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who helped us celebrate story telling week, we really appreciate the time you took to come and inspire us with your stories. Storytelling is a powerful tool that allows us to share stories that inspire and teach others. Storytelling is a fantastic way for people to share their own story, or even invent something entirely new - it's also endlessly entertaining!

Finding the time to read with children can often be difficult, especially with of modern life's pressures. However, it's an important part of every child's education and we thank you for all the effort you are making reading at home with your children we are seeing such wonderful reading skills in class.

Keep inspiring and reading!

Wild Oasis!



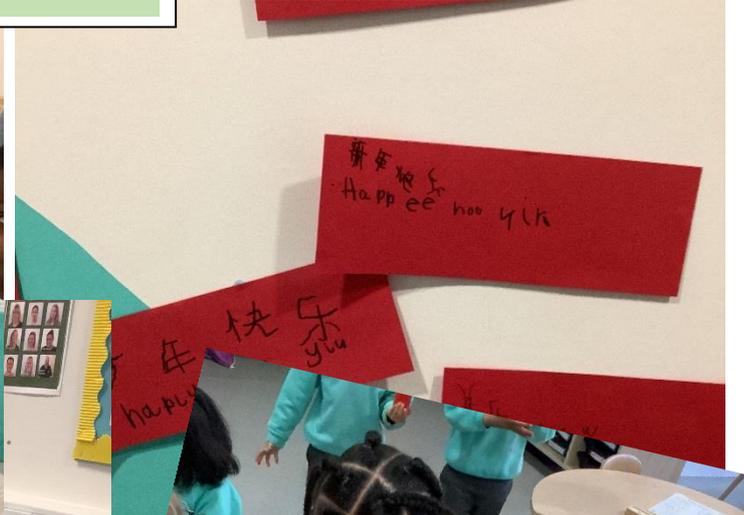
Today, we sold copies of our Wild Oasis magazine to raise money for the Green Team. Thank you so much to all of you for supporting us. It means a lot. We are sure that Mrs Davies and the Green Team will put the donations to very good used indeed. Thank you to Annie Harris for amazing work with the children and for all her time and work put in to making this magazine really special.



Chinese New Year



Thank you so much to Mrs Peng for coming into school and cooking up a storm! Our Reception children have been learning all about Chinese New Year and what a great way to make learning meaningful. We couldn't believe how well the children could use the chopsticks 😊 The food was totally delicious. Mrs Peng, when will you be able to come back?



Reception

Reception has been celebrating Chinese New Year this whole week! We have been learning how to do dragon dances, say hello and goodbye in Mandarin and even attempt writing Happy New Year in Mandarin! Ms Goh read us a lovely story and taught us about how her family celebrate at this time of the year. We also had Yu Cheng's mum come and cook up a feast for us! We learnt how to make our own dumplings and got to taste all kinds of delicious treats. Having the parents come and read to us each day was another highlight for our week. We loved listening to their favourite story books and learn more about the families in our school.



Year 1

We have had a wonderful week in year 1. We have started a new unit in writing based on the story of The Queens Hat. We enjoyed finding clues around the classroom in a 'royal treasure hunt' on Monday and have been exploring the features of information leaflets ready for writing our own next week.

In maths we have started learning about place value and looking at using a tens frame to help us to work with numbers up to 50.

We really enjoyed our story time sessions this week with parents and grandparents. Thank you so much to everyone involved.

Next week we are going to be designing and making a bridge fit for a royalty, thank you for all the cardboard and tubes. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Addis and Miss Coombes.



Year 2

In Year 2 this week we have enjoyed writing our very own story inspired by Grandad's Island. Our teachers have been so impressed with our independent writing skills and stamina for large pieces of writing and are so proud that we applied all of the skills we had learnt from this term. We are looking forward to finding out what our new book is for next term!

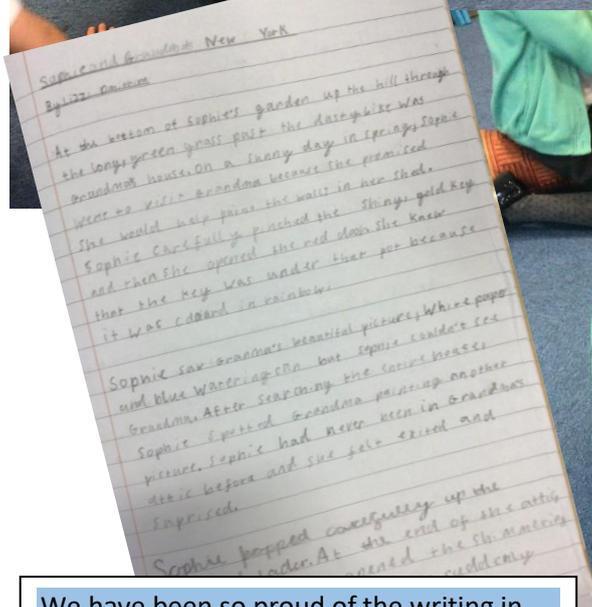
We would like to say a big thank you to all our parent volunteers from coming in and reading to us at the end of the school day. It was wonderful to have you all visit our class and great to hear all your inspiring stories.

In Maths we have been learning about dividing by 2 and 5 and the methods we can use to solve equations. We enjoyed doing some challenging division questions and recalling the different methods we used.

In Science we have been exploring materials and how we know something would be suitable for a purpose.

In Geography we have been considering maps of the local area and how it looks from different views.

Please be reminded of our Victorian Day on Tuesday. It would be excellent if the children could dress up to immerse themselves in the day. We are all looking forward to a fun, activity packed day!



We have been so proud of the writing in Year 2 this week <3

Year 3

Another busy week has passed in year 3!

All this week, we have had parents coming into school to read a story with the children at the end of each day. On Monday, Caleb's mum came in to read us a rousing, swashbuckling tale all about pirates, which the children thoroughly enjoyed. On Tuesday, Eva's mum came in to tell us the story of Chinese New Year – The Great Race. We learnt about how the animals came to be in the order they are on the Chinese zodiac, and we learnt that this year is the Year of the Tiger! The children had so many questions that they wanted to ask and were intrigued about the animals and how they crossed the jade river. On Wednesday, Isabella's mum came in to read us an inspirational story about a girl who never gave up despite her being deaf. On Thursday, Ja'Zarra-Lee's mum came in to read us a story about the amazing life of Muhammed Ali. The story allowed the children to talk about the effects of racism and showed us that at Oasis Putney, our culture is one of nurturing, care, tolerance and understanding. On Friday, Eddy and Isla's mum came in and shared a story with us, which rounded off a week of fun and excitement for us all.

During this week, we have also been busy writing our own version of our amazing magical tale of Leon and the Place Between. The children have been busy innovating from the original text to create their own characters, mystical places, and magical items, which have culminated in amazing stories. Well done to all the children on their tremendous effort and stamina when writing at length.

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Hopson and Mr Lepine



Year 4

This week in year 4 the children have been planning and writing their own journey narratives. They have developed a main character that is a toy animal and they have written about that character becoming lost. The children have worked hard to write a cohesive narrative that included some of our focus 'lenses' from the writing rainbow. Today, they started to edit their writing looking for spelling and punctuation errors.

We have continued our focus on Hinduism: this week we learned about the importance of traditional dances such as Bharatanatyam, and even managed to get to grips with some choreography!

Thanks!

MS. Pickering and Mr Sloan



Year 5

This week, Year 5 have finished the unit of multiplication and division in maths and had the opportunity to work in teams to consolidate their knowledge by solving some tricky challenges. In English, the children have been independently writing their own versions of The Viking Boy and have used a variety of tools and skills which we have been learning over the weeks. In art, the children have continued to explore realist and abstract art and have been able to compare the two styles and express what they like/dislike about the styles. The children then had the opportunity to draw a perspective picture of themselves admiring their chosen style. They turned out great! In history, the children have been exploring all about how the Vikings invaded England and how they did it.

Lastly, I want to say a big thank you to all the visitors who came in to read with the class this week-it has been lovely to invite you into our classroom. It was also very interesting to learn more about Chinese New Year with Renard's mum, Tiffany. So, thank you very much!

I have thoroughly enjoyed this week's learning and I am impressed with the outcomes of the children's work this week. Well done, Year 5!



Dear Parents and Carers,

The PTFA needs your help! We're on the lookout for a few items ...

- If you have or know of anyone or any business that is looking to re-house any clothes rails that have wheels and are in good working, please get in touch.
- If you have any board games that you are willing to lend to us for next week's pyjama party, please let us know. We are especially interested in Twister, Jenga and any other party-friendly games that a group of kids can get stuck into.

Speaking of which, last call for the pyjama party that is taking place after school on Thursday 10th February. Not only will there be fun and games, Annie from the Storytelling Club will be in full storyteller mode with tales to share. Please RSVP by 9th February via [email](#) and transfer £5 to the PFTA bank account using reference PP + Year group + your child's surname (e.g. PPY1SMITH). Don't forget the children can come to school in their PJs on the day for a suggested donation of £1.

SPRING TERM EVENTS:

DATE	EVENT
10th January	Cake and Uniform sale (Sycamore class)
7th February	Cake sale (Willow class) + preloved items sale
7 th February	Year of the Tiger after school club event with Chinese Club
10th February	Pyjama day and after school pyjama party
14th March	Cake sale (Rowan class)
14th March	Recipe book collation
19th March	TBC: Family fun run to celebrate Holi
31st March	Mad Hatters Tea Party / Family Magic Night

UPCOMING SUMMER TERM EVENTS:

DATE	EVENT
22nd April	Movie night
25th April	Cake sale (Maple class)
6th May	Teacher hair dye challenge
9th May	TBC: Readathon week
16th May	Cake sale (Birch class)
21st May	Sponsored walk
18th June	Summer fair (Cherry class to provide baked goods)
1st July	Sports match - parents vs. teachers
11th July	Handprints on roof wall
18th July	Cake sale (Conker class)



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HURRY AND GET YOUR PYJAMAS READY!

Pyjama Party

10TH FEBRUARY
WEAR YOUR PYJAMAS TO SCHOOL £1
AND
STAY AFTER SCHOOL UNTIL 5.30PM £5
FOR GAMES AND ACTIVITIES

GIANT TWISTER • NAIL PAINTING • BOARD GAMES • TRUTH OR DARE! • SCARY STORYTELLING (OLDER CHILDREN ONLY) • FOOD AND DRINK • DEN BUILDING COMPETITION

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