



Newsletter

1st October 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a fantastic week in school!

A very special well done to our Reception children for completing their first three full weeks in school. I am very pleased to say that the children are very settled and have adapted to school routines brilliantly.

During our learning walks this week, the school feels alive with such a buzz of activity. Our learning environments and class displays are looking amazing and it's great to see some of the children's learning on display. We are proud to see the exemplary behaviour for learning that the children are showing - they really are a true credit to you all!

Please do remember that staff are available should you have any concerns at all, please do speak to us. Please telephone or email the academy office.

Have a wonderful weekend

Wellbeing tip of the week

Keeping a Healthy lifestyle One of the ways we can ensure we are looking after our wellbeing, is by taking care of our physical health. After all, a healthy body leads to healthy mind! Here are some ideas to help us with this:

- Get your exercise – even just 30 minutes a day of active movement keeps our muscles and joints and healthy and boosts our mood.
- Eat a balanced diet – Eating foods with higher nutritional value, such as fruit, vegetables, nuts and seeds, rather than ultra-processed sugary foods, help us maintain a healthy immune system and increase our energy levels.
- Stay hydrated – Since our bodies are made up from 60% of water, we must remember to stay hydrated each day. We should be aiming to drink up to 2 litres (6 - 8 glasses) each day.
- Prioritise your sleep – Not getting enough sleep can have a huge impact on our wellbeing, it can lead to negative thoughts and low mood. Aim to get 7-9 hours of sleep. If you're having trouble dosing off, keep your bedtime routine free of screen time.

Inset Day

As a reminder, Friday 22nd October is an inset day.

Attendance and Punctuality

We believe that ALL our pupils should be given the best chance to do well in life. We know that coming to school on time, every day, is important if your child is to get the best start. There is a clear link between good attendance and good results, and we want to work together with you to achieve this by:

Encouraging all pupils to arrive on time, ready to learn

Talking to each other if there is a problem causing your child to miss school

Recognising and rewarding good attendance

Encouraging you to play a vital role in supporting our school and helping your child to succeed - Working with us to achieve our attendance target which is 98%

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD ATTENDS SCHOOL EVERYDAY AND IS ON TIME

The gate is opened at 8:50 every morning to allow parents to drop off their children, however the class doors are closed at 9a.m. If you arrive at the class doors after 9a.m. you will have to take your children round to the main reception to sign them in.

Parents Evening

This terms Parents Evenings will be held on Wednesday the 13th and Thursday the 14th of October 2021.

You will be able to make an appointment via a link from ParentMail. The link will be sent out on Monday the 4th of October, so please keep a look out for it.

National Online Safety - Parent/Carers App Keeping our children safe!

Please take a moment to download this app (it's free) to get expert advice . If the online world confuses you, this is the app to help us ALL keep up to date. We are ALL responsible for the safety of our child/ren online.

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School Photographs

The school photos have been distributed to the classes today from Tempest Photography.

You can order these online via the information given in the leaflet inside the envelope. Alternatively you can send your order form back to school in the envelope provided with a cheque for the correct amount.

You will need to return your order forms to the school office by Monday the 11th of October. Any orders after that date will need to go directly to Tempest Photography.

Covid-19

As you are aware, Covid-19 guidelines have changed. Your child does NOT have to remain at home if anybody in your household either has Covid-19 symptoms or tests positive. If somebody in your household does test positive however, we strongly advise that your child then has a PCR test. Please also remember that your child should not be sent in to school if they show the main Covid-19 symptoms (new and persistent cough, temperature and/or loss of sense of taste or smell) and a PCR test should then be booked. We thank you for your ongoing cooperation regarding this situation.

The government has announced that parents and carers of primary age children can access rapid lateral flow testing. Regular testing of people without symptoms is important to help stop the spread of the virus, protect loved ones and is in the interest of public safety. More information can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>

Further guidance can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Attendance

Over a school year, we are due to be open for 190 days which equates to 380 sessions with registration in the morning at 09:00 and after lunch in the afternoon. Attendance is affected if a pupil is not present at school for any whole session including registration.

Please see below the attendance percentages for last week.

Birch (1)	89.41%
Cherry (1)	91.67%
Conker (R)	93.01%
Elm (5)	97.62%
Holly (4)	78.57%
Maple (2)	99.47%
Pine (4)	98.28%
Rowan (2)	95.16%
Sycamore (3)	94.55%
Willow (3)	92.67%
Total	93.03%

Our attendance target is 98%

Our attendance last week was 93.03%

Our attendance so far this year is 94.36%

Last week there were 63 late arrivals recorded. This meant that **16 hours and 5 minutes** of education were missed!

Applying for Free School Meals

If your child qualifies for free school meals, it's important that you tell their school – even if they take a packed lunch – as this enables them to claim pupil premium and provide your child with additional support and opportunities. A reminder that the eligibility for free school meals is if parent(s) are in receipt of any of the following:

Income Support

Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The guaranteed element of Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have

Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)

£7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

Registering for free school meals, whilst your child is primary school age, could still have significant financial benefits for you, depending on the school you attend.

To check your eligibility go to <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict>

Change of Details

Change of address, telephone, mobile number, or email, please inform the school by emailing us, info@oasisputney.org

Clubs

There are still places available in clubs, if your child is interested in joining a club please get them signed up as soon as possible. If you need the contacts again, please contact the office.

Harvest Festival

We are very excited to be able to invite you in for our Harvest Festival assembly, next Friday 8th October. Please arrive at the top gate by 2:55pm and we will aim for a 3pm start. Once the assembly has finished, the children will go back to class to get ready for dismissal and once they have left, you will be able to go to the usual collection areas.

We are so happy to be able to welcome you in once again.

Just a reminder that no photographs or recordings should be shared on social media.

Thank you so much we look forward to seeing you and to celebrating the first of many events with you all.

Best wishes
Mrs Addis

Saplings

Saplings are all about hard work, laughs, giggles and new traditions!

In the last two weeks, we have been working incredibly hard. Maths has been challenging; we ordered numbers 1-50 and we also wrote them in our books. Wow!

We love our circuit training sessions on the roof, "I enjoy the red dots painted on the roof for me to jump on!" One of our children excitedly told us!

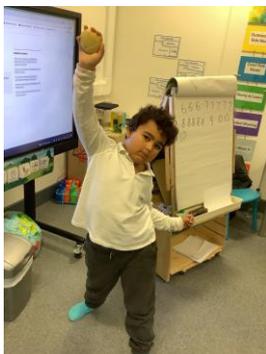
We have decided to celebrate each of our birthdays in Saplings by baking something on the day. A great baking session took place where we worked as a team, took turns weighing and mixing, squashing and shaping, and of course, eating! It looks like there could be some competition between the adults. Bake off! Here we come!

This week we also said goodbye to Mr Jamal, who is relocating to the Middle East. Goodbyes are never easy, especially with our loved ones; however, when Ziggy told Mr Jamal that he was happy for him, it reminded us how resilient children are!

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The Saplings team wishes you a lovely weekend.



Reception

Reception is full swing after settling in for the first 3 weeks! We have been doing lots of new learning and getting more familiar with the routine. This week we unpacked our emotions, learnt how to identify them and how to manage our feelings.

The Phonic Fairy came to visit our class this week and delivered a bag full of amazing books to help us learn our sounds! Our favourite book from this week was "There's a pig up my nose!", we couldn't stop laughing!

Music has been really fun! We have been practising our song for the Harvest Festival!



Year 1

We have had a wonderful week in year 1, the children have enjoyed writing about Mabel and her feelings in our English lessons. We have also been practising accurate counting in maths and moving objects to help us to keep track. In art over the next two weeks we are exploring mixing primary colours to make secondary colours. Next Tuesday 5th October, Cherry class will have outdoor learning, please bring your wellies and waterproof trousers. Thank you for a lovely week Year 1 superstars!



Year 2

We have had another fantastic week in Year 2 this week.

In maths we have been finishing our unit in place value where we have enjoyed using our iPads to complete some challenge questions.

In English we are nearing the end of our book 'The Tear Thief', this week we have been thinking of questions we would ask her and even completing some 'hot seating' where we pretended to be her. With a sack of tears in our hand, our classmates asked us questions.

In History we have really been enjoying learning about the history of the academy and our local area. We rated artefacts 1-4 depending on how significant we felt they were in history and enjoyed looking at old photos.

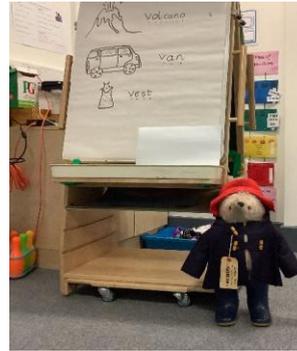
We look forward to another great week next week!

Year 3

Another exciting week of learning has taken place in Year 3 this week.

We have finished our exciting book called *Jemmy Button*. The children have written some wonderfully creative pieces of work all about him and his journey from his special Island of Fire – Tierra Del Fuego. We will be writing our own version of the story over the coming week, so we cannot wait to get started.

We had a visitor this week – who managed to get up to some mischief whilst all the teachers were not here!!



Paddington has come to visit Year 3!

We are reading *Paddington* in class as part of our reading comprehension, and he has decided to leave the Browns' and visit Putney; we are so glad that he came!

In maths, we are continuing to build on our knowledge of place value and how we can use our knowledge of bonds to help with adding and subtracting as effectively as possible, using our inverse. This will lead us into more formalised methods.

In topic, we have continued to learn about our local area and compare localities from the past to the present; we have focused on correct use of terminology. In science, we are continuing to learn all about our skeleton and muscles and joints and how they help us to move.

Finally, we would like to thank the parents who are volunteering to walk with the children to swimming on Friday. Without your help, we would not be able to go, so thank you from us all.

Year 4

This week Year 4 have been continuing to write about specific plot points from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. The children have started to plan the next part of the story and they have chosen if they will be writing about Veruca Salt, Mike Teavee or Violet Beauregarde.

In maths, the children have started to apply their knowledge of place value when locating the position of 4-digit numbers on a number line and they have also been practising rounding numbers to the nearest multiple of 1000, 100 and 10.

Last week, the children collected many wild flower seeds before the tractors came to clear the common. On Tuesday, Pine and Holly class went back out onto the common and found patches of clear earth that they could sprinkle the seeds on to.

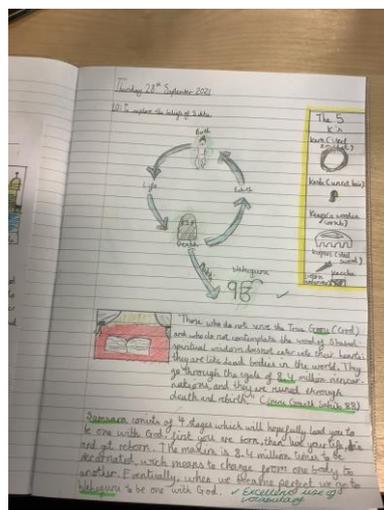


Year 5

This week, the children have continued to progress their learning in place value using a variety of concrete objects to help them to understand tenths and hundredths. They have been able to apply these skills to a variety of concepts including measurement and time.

In writing, the children have continued to explore the text, The Boy at the Back of the Class and they have been doing creative writing using a range of strategies including metaphors, onomatopoeias and they have even had the challenge of using semi-colons this week!

In R.E they explored the beliefs of Sikhs and looked at their belief of life and death. The children created wonderful life cycles and fact files about this using the key terms.



Term Dates 2021 - 2022

Term 1	
Wednesday 1st September 2021	INSET Day
Thursday 2nd September 2021	INSET Day
Friday 3rd September 2021	INSET Day
Monday 6th September	School open to pupils
Thursday 21st October	End of Term
Friday 22nd October 3.30pm	Oasis Trust INSET Day
Term 2	
Monday 1st November 2021	Return to School (Autumn 2)
Friday 17th December, 1.30pm	End of Term
Term 3	
Tuesday 4th January 2022	First Day of Spring Term (Spring 1)
Friday 11th February, 3.30pm	End of Term
Term 4	
Monday 21st February 2022	Return to School (Spring 2)
Friday 1st April 2022, 1.30pm	End of Term
Term 5	
Tuesday 19th April 2022	First Day of Summer Term (Summer 1)
Monday 2nd May 2022	Bank Holiday - School Closed
Friday 27th May 2022	End of Term
Term 6	
Monday 6th June 2022	Return to School (Summer 2)
Friday 24th June	Oasis Trust INSET Day
Friday 22nd July 2022	End of Term

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