

#### **Key Dates:**

20.10.23 **Harvest Festival** Y2 & Y5 - 9.15am

08.11.23 Y6 Class Assembly - 9.15am

22.11.23 Y5 Class Assembly – 9.15am

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# OASIS PUTNEY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hoping this week's newsletter finds you well.

#### **Staff Breakfast**

Firstly, we would like to thank everyone in our school community for a wonderful staff breakfast that we all thoroughly enjoyed this morning. We are ever so grateful for your generosity and contributions and this morning we tucked into a variety of treats, many of which were homemade; thank you for all the thought and effort – it means a lot.

#### **Roof Update**

We have been liaising with various members of our Property & Estates Team, Regional Director and National Director, and they have suggested a plan in the interim to provide KS2 pupils with more space at break and lunch times.

On Monday, we will be opening the MUGA part of the playground back up for those children wishing to use it whilst a solution is being worked on. If you do not wish for your child to use the MUGA area, please speak to your child so they know to remain on the current part of the roof we are using. Please also note that we will be keeping running in the MUGA area to a minimum to ensure there are no falls and all staff on duty will be extra vigilant as the safety of our pupils is paramount.

Please contact the office if you have any questions about this.

## World Mental Health Day – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2023 – Wear a Happy Hat!

Next week, on Tuesday, we welcome the children to come in wearing a Happy Hat to commemorate World Mental Health Day. Year 4 will be attending a trip on this day, but they can still bring a hat with them which they can wear on their return from Ark Academy. You can read more about World Mental Health Day here: World Mental Health Day 2023 | Mental Health Foundation

Finally, a reminder that Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October will be a Trust INSET day and the Academy will be closed to all pupils.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

The Putney Team ( $\odot$ )





# **CERTIFICATES OF THE WEEK**



	Writer of the Week	Reader of the Week 9 Habit Certificate		Mathematical Thinking Award	
Conker Class	-	-	-	-	
Birch Class	Tianah	Harper	Mounir	Eisa	
Maple Class	Leo B	Liberty	Karem	Lucas	
Sycamore Class	Vania	Luca	Wren	Jody-Jay	
Pine Class	Daisy	ldil	Ethan C		
Elm Class	Isabella	Leila	Che	Tommy	
Chestnut Class	Sasha	Matilda	Elyas	Ayesha	

# **3 Cs CERTIFICATE**

This week, the recipients of the special certificate recognising their fantastic character, competence or commitment to the community are:

KS1	KS2
Declan	Alex

# **WEEKLY ATTENDANCE**

Conker Class	Birch Class	Maple Class	Sycamore Class	Pine Class	Elm Class	Chestnut Class
97.73%	92.11%	98.86%	100%	95.19%	92.07%	97.92%

# Reception

#### Our learning this week...

The children have had another busy week full of fun activities! We have had 4 more visits from the phonics fairy and have learnt i, n, m and d. We have also been thinking about our local environment and have been sharing the important landmarks near our houses such as Putney Bridge, the swimming pool, parks and shops. In maths, we started looking at addition number sentences and repeating patterns.



#### Happy News...

The children seem to have really settled well into Reception now and are able to focus for much longer on lessons and activities. Well done!

Friendships are continuing to blossom in Reception! I have noticed the children starting to expand their friendship groups this week which has been lovely to see.

#### Important parent information for next week:

- Please ensure your child's name is on ALL items of clothing. There are still lots of items coming to school without names on.
- When you read with your child at home, please write a comment/sign their reading record.
  Reading is such an important part of their learning and development.
- Next week on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> we will be taking part in World Mental Health day. The children are invited to come to school wearing a happy hat on this day.
- School is closed to pupils on Friday 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Quote of the week...

Alina – "I like hugging my friends because I love them."

#### Our learning this week...

In maths this week, the children looked at part-whole models. They discovered that the whole may not always be at the top. They also wrote addition sentences to match some part-whole models. In English, we used our plans to retell the first four plot points of the story 'Stardust'. In science, we looked at the five senses and focussed on sight. In art, we looked at primary and secondary colours. We blended two primary colours to make secondary colours. In PSHE, we created a recipe to make a good friend. In phonics, we recapped the sounds: ee, igh, oa, oo (short) and oo (long). We wrote some words containing 'oa' on our football pitches and then we wrote some funny sentences. In handwriting this week, we practised writing the letters 'c', 'o', 'a' and 'd'.



Happy News...

The children really enjoyed the African drumming workshop that took place on Friday.

#### Important parent information for next week:

- PE has changed to every Wednesday and Friday.
- Outdoor learning takes place every Tuesday afternoon. If you have not already done so, please could you bring in your child's outdoor learning clothes.
- Our library day is Wednesday.
- Please ensure your child brings in their iPad every day if it is not being stored in class.
- Please ensure reading records and books are in school every day. Please write a comment in your child's reading record each time they read to you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Quote of the week...

'Oa, oa, score a goal' - Martin

#### Our learning this week...

This week Maple Class have been working incredibly hard on their independent writes. The children have spent the past weeks building up vocabulary and skills whilst reading the story Leaf. They have used their plans to re-write the story, swapping the main character for a character of their own. I am very impressed with the exciting writing they have been able to produce and I'm looking forward to seeing how their writing develops over the year.

We have also come to the end of our place value unit in maths. The children have developed their understanding of place value and have shown that they have a secure understanding of tens and ones and how to flexibly partition two-digit numbers. We have also been working on counting in twos, fives and tens and thinking about how this links to the 2-, 5- and 10-times table. Please practise counting in these multiples at home!

In science, this week, the children have thought about how exercise helps us with growth, repair and development. They enjoyed learning about how aerobic, flexibility and strength exercises impacts their body. Also, in art, our children used mix media to explore different patterns and to create a

miniature portrait.



#### Happy News...

The children absolutely loved the African drumming workshop today and it has been a wonderful way to start off our black history month learning.

#### Important parent information for next week:

- Please ensure your child brings their iPad (charged) and their reading book/ record in everyday
- Our library slot is every Wednesday (please make sure your child has their library book)
- PE is on Wednesdays and Thursdays (please make sure your child has their PE kit)
- INSET day Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October

#### Quote of the week...

'I loved that the drumming workshop was so fun. I loved when it got really loud, and you had to bang the drum hard!' - Miyah

#### Our learning this week...

This week we have completed our Jemmy Button writing unit and have produced some excellent first pieces. The pupils had a chance to edit their work independently, and I was pleased to see them covered in purple pen!

In maths, we have moved onto our new addition and subtraction unit, relating questions to our strong understanding of number bonds to ten. In history, we have been looking at Dina Asher-Smith as part of our 'black history month' unit. In RE, we have been reading and discovering the amazing stories of incredible Muslim women throughout history. In reading, we have started looking at the history of our coastlines as tourist attractions, and the class have been practising their handwriting thoroughly to get it to the high standards we like.



#### Happy News...

We were very proud of the select few girls who represented Years 3 and 4 at the football festival on Friday – many more sports events to come!

#### Important parent information for next week:

- On Tuesdays each week we will be changing our reading books. Please ensure your child has their books with them so that they can make these changes.
- With Workout Wednesdays now underway, please can you ensure children have their kit with them on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Please try and read with your child in the evenings and record them in their reading records.

#### Quote of the week...

"Wednesdays are the best days of the week now with workout Wednesdays." Ziggy

#### Our learning this week...

This week has been a busy one! The children have started to explore the shape of the poem 'Beautifully different, Wonderfully the same' by Joseph Coelho. Over the week, the children have been exploring the vocabulary and techniques used that makes the poem powerful. In maths, the children have been practising rounding numbers to 10, 100 and 1000 using a number line.

This week, the children have started their Black History Month lessons and our class' inspirational woman is Simone Biles. The children have been learning all about her amazing achievements as well as battles she has faced throughout her life. They were able to reflect on the 9 Habits that Simone uses to stay resilient.

We have also attached some photos from last week's AFC Wimbledon trip for you to enjoy!





#### **Happy News**

The children had a fabulous time at the drumming workshop on Friday morning! They sounded fantastic.

#### Important parent information for next week:

- A reminder to all our parents that children need to have their PE kit in school, and not come to school in it. We have PE with Mr Dylan every Tuesday and on Wednesdays there will be a fitness lesson, so kits need to be in school for this lesson.
- Poetry trip on TUESDAY 10th OCTOBER please return any slips
- Please return slip and pay via MCAS for the October Gallery workshop 19<sup>th</sup> October.

Quote of the week...

"I like this poem's message!" - Layla

#### Our learning this week...

This week, the children completed their independent writes in English, where they wrote about meeting a refugee.

I was really impressed with their use of similes, adjectives and metaphors, as well as their fantastic editing skills! In Geography, we investigated the 'human features' of our link-country, Belgium. The children gathered their facts in a round-robin style, retrieving information from various stations around the classroom – even creating a human-chain to help write everything down. We had an equally fun lesson in History, learning about the Ango Saxon and Viking invasions; ending with a role-play to help visualise both invasions.





#### Happy News...

The children were informed about their upcoming school trip to the Natural History Museum, where they will be taking part in the Mission to Mars LEGO Explorers Workshop.

#### Important parent information for next week:

- School trip letters to be returned by October 19<sup>th</sup>. Payment details available on MCAS.
- PE kit on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- Please remind the children to return their homework books on Wednesdays.
- Please remind the children to bring **both** library books into school especially on Fridays, which is when they will renew or return the books.

#### Quote of the week...

"That's why so many English words sound similar to German words!" - Max, on the Vikings' influence on language.

#### Our learning this week...

This week, in maths, we learned about prime, squared, and cubed numbers. We used cubes to help us develop our understanding of squares and cube number. For example: in a 4 x 4 square we would use 16 cubes. Therefore, 16 is a square number.

In English, we have begun writing our independent narrative. We are using the writing rainbow to help us create more interesting stories.

In science, we learned about the impact of drugs on our heart and on our body. We learned about the pros and cons of drugs, for example: medicine is a legal, helpful drug, whereas illegal drugs are dangerous, and you should not take them!

In art, we have been learning about ellipsis and how we can use pastels to blend colours. This week, we learned that colours can express a mood. For example, orange is enthusiastic, but blue is sad.

#### Written by Sasha and Alanna



#### Happy News...

We had a great trip to Kew Gardens on Thursday. We learned lots about the amazing rainforest and how plants contribute so much to our everyday lives, and why it is so important to protect the rainforest! We ended the day by having lots of fun in the children's garden!

#### Important parent information for next week:

- PE is on Wednesdays. Please remind your child to bring their PE kit on that day.
- Homework is due on Wednesday.
- Please remind your child to read regularly and to add a minimum of three detailed comments to their reading record.

#### Quote of the week...

'Oasis is a place where everyone is included and makes a contribution.' ~ Hawa











