



# OASIS PUTNEY NEWSLETTER

## Key Dates:

**26.02.24**

Putney's Got Talent  
Auditions

**13.03.24**

Y2 Class Assembly

**19.03.24**

Music Showcase – 2.30pm  
Whole School

**20.03.24**

Putney's Got Talent –  
9.15am  
(Parents of Finalist only)

**25.03.24**

Y2 Cake Sale

**27.03.24**

Y3 & Y4 Easter Production  
9.15am

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## A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL: MS ELLIOTT

Dear Putney Families,

I hope you have had a good fortnight. As this is my first newsletter, I wanted to share a little information about myself as I am very aware there have been some leadership changes recently and this can feel quite unsettling.

I have been Principal at Oasis Academy Pinewood for almost eight years now. One aspect I really like about Putney is how it is surrounded by nature – this is just like Pinewood. It is next to Havering country park. As Pinewood is an Oasis school, like Putney, the curriculum, behaviour policy, ethos etc are all the same and it makes for a smooth transition for me as a leader to support both schools.



I was born and grew up in North London. I trained to be a teacher and then taught in Finland, London and Spain where I worked as a deputy head at a lovely school. I lived in Madrid for nine years, met my husband in Spain and it is where my two children were born. We came back to the UK in 2014.

I am so pleased and privileged to be able to work with your lovely children and the fantastic staff at Putney – it is a great school.

Many thanks to you all for being so welcoming. Have a good half-term break.

Kind regards,

Ms Elliott

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## CERTIFICATES OF THE WEEK



### Last week's winners...

	Writer of the Week	Reader of the Week	9 Habit Certificate	Mathematical Thinking Award
Conker Class	Hope	Aleena	Lemi	Aslan
Birch Class	Mounir	Harper	Tianah	Martin
Maple Class	Leo G	Archie	Poppy	Emilia
Sycamore Class	Benaiah	Kal el	Ariana	Elias
Pine Class	Aanaya	Lilia	Daisy	Layla
Elm Class	Myla	Kelsey	Andrew	Edward
Chestnut Class	Hawa	Khyla	Matilda	Alanna

### This week's winners...

	Writer of the Week	Reader of the Week	9 Habit Certificate	Mathematical Thinking Award
Conker Class	Ismail	Kaiden	Aslan	Zoe
Birch Class	Lawson	Mina	Anton	Aisha
Maple Class	Mia	Poppy	Emilia	Liberty
Sycamore Class	Sirius	Rex	James	Oren
Pine Class	Chanay	Noor	Olive	Rosie V
Elm Class	Samanta	Kai	Resjona	Leila
Chestnut Class	Maaliyah	Leo	Aysha	Nicholas



## CERTIFICATES OF THE WEEK



### 3 Cs CERTIFICATE

The recipients of the special certificates recognising their fantastic character, competence or commitment to the community are:

02.02.24

KS1	KS2
Rocco	Roman

09.02.24

KS1	KS2
Leo B	Fred

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCES

02.02.24

Conker Class	Birch Class	Maple Class	Sycamore Class	Pine Class	Elm Class	Chestnut Class
97.14%	94.50%	96.36%	89.20%	97.24%	93.00%	95.60%

09.02.24

Conker Class	Birch Class	Maple Class	Sycamore Class	Pine Class	Elm Class	Chestnut Class
96.43%	93.12%	96.59%	94.00%	96.55%	91.25%	93.00%

**WANTED:**

**SINGERS | DANCERS | COMEDIANS  
| MAGICIANS | MUSICIANS**

Individual and group performances are welcome

# Putney's Got Talent



*Shine like the star you are!*

Do you have a special talent, passion or skill that you would like to share with others?

Auditions will take place in class from Monday 26th February.

The winning performance from each class will perform for the school in the live final.

## Parent Coffee Morning

If you would like to participate in the parent coffee morning please kindly scan the QR code on the flyer below.

# PARENT COFFEE MORNING



Please  
register here:



## WHERE

Oasis Academy  
Putney



## WHEN

Friday 1st March  
Start: 9am  
End: 11am

## WHAT

Workshop and Q&A, for parents to discuss strategies and ways of supporting children's behaviour and emotional wellbeing with Oasis Putney's link Educational Psychologists



## WHY

To work together to develop our collective knowledge and understanding of the children who we support and to empower parents



# OUTDOOR LEARNING

## This time in Outdoor Learning ....

Year 1 have been busy traversing the galaxies through their space theme. Last week they visited 'Planet Litter' and after discussing the problems of plastic pollution on the Common they carried out a litter pick on the school grounds and local area, sorting the litter into recyclable and general waste. This week, they travelled to 'Planet Love' where they planted a heart on the playground at their favourite spot and then created their own valentines smelly alien potions (beware – apparently these range from making you extra strong to making butterflies appear everywhere you go!).

Year 2 also enjoyed a few heart themed activities from Hapa-zome (the Japanese art of leaf bashing to dye fabric) to creating their own heart wraps to say thank you to someone special.

Reception had the best time ever as they visited 'Planet Puddle' and decided that in actual fact sticks weren't the best way to measure how deep the puddles were - all you needed to do was to jump right in them!!



# RECEPTION

## Our learning...

Over the past few weeks we have been busy learning lots of new information. We have learnt about different types of dinosaurs, when they lived, what their diet was and how we know they exist today. We also learnt about famous palaeontologists such as Mary Anning and even had a go at discovering dinosaur bones in our tuff tray. We have also been learning all about Space. The children can now name the planets and talk about some key information for each planet. We also learnt about some famous astronauts such as Valentina Tereshkova and Neil Armstrong. The children also enjoyed reading the story Beegu and creating alien friends for her. We have also learnt lots of new sounds and words in phonics and have now learnt all of the phase 3 tricky words! In Maths we have been learning about doubling and halving with numbers up to 10.



## Happy News...

- We learnt about how to be safe online during Safer Internet day which was especially important for Reception who will soon be receiving their iPads!
- During Children's Mental Health week, we spoke about the importance of keeping our minds healthy and happy. All the children were asked to think about who their trusted adults are and what they need to do if they feel worried about anything. We also thought about different activities we can do to help us feel happy.

## Important parent information for next week:

- On Wednesday 28th February at 9am, there will be a meeting for Reception parents about helping your children to achieve a Good Level of Development (GLD). Please attend if you are able!
- Please return your signed iPad agreement and trip letters if you haven't already done so.
- We have noticed recently that lots of children are forgetting to bring the necessary items to school on specific days. I know how easy it is for things to slip our mind so please familiarise yourself with the information below.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reading books Water bottle	Reading books Water bottle <b>Library book</b>	Reading books Water bottle <b>PE kit</b>	Reading books Water bottle <b>Outdoor Learning clothes</b>	Reading books Water bottle <b>Show and Tell item</b>

## Quote of the week...

'There is no gravity in space so you can just float. That's why astronauts have to wear a space suit' – Laura



# YEAR 1

## Our learning...

In phonics, we learnt the sounds e-e (as in theme), i-e (as in bike), o-e (as in mole) and u-e (as in flute). Please remember to watch the practice videos found in the parent resources section on Showbie. In maths, we started our unit on addition and subtraction to 20. The children looked at adding by counting on and used number lines to complete addition and subtraction equations. In writing lessons, the children wrote their own stories based on the book, 'George and the dragon'. It was lovely to read their imaginative ideas. In geography, the children looked at maps and aerial images of our school and of Buckingham Palace. They compared the maps and images and discussed what was similar and different. In art, the children painted a picture of Queen Elizabeth II, and they also created a collage of her. In RE, the children looked at the Bible and wrote down some facts about it. This week was mental health week and the children discussed and drew/wrote down some of their proudest moments. The children loved reading 'Daisy, eat your peas', during our reading comprehension lessons.



## Happy News...

Trip letters will be sent home the first week back after half term. A massive thank you to our parent reps and everyone who bought a cake at our recent cake sale as this has funded our upcoming trip to the theatre.

## Important parent information for next week:

- There is an important phonics screening check meeting led by Ms Kelly on Tuesday 5th March at 9.00am – please add this date to your diary and attend if you can.
- Our PE days are Monday and Friday.
- Our library day is Wednesday.
- Please ensure your child brings in their charged 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.
- Please have a lovely half term. See you on Monday 19th February!

## Quote of the week...

'I like the whole book because it is funny' - Jasmine



## YEAR 2

### Our learning...

In maths, we are learning about multiplication and division. This week the children completed grouping and sharing lessons with Mrs Begum and they looked at multiplying and dividing by 2 with Miss Pickering.

In English, the children have started to look at a biography all about Mary Seacole. They have been looking carefully at the structure of a biography and they will be writing their own, based upon Queen Victoria, when we return to school.

In science this week the children learnt how paper is made. They know that trees get chopped down and taken to the paper mill and they can explain the process of how the wood is turned into paper.



### Happy News...

We had a delicious lunch to celebrate Chinese New Year thanks to Mrs Baxter! Did you know 2024 is the year of the dragon?

### Important parent information for next week:

- The half term homework document is on Showbie (Please bring in any completed work by Friday 23rd February)
- Please read regularly over the half term break and practise number bonds
- Look at our amazing stories, based upon Grandad's Island, on Showbie (My Writing Work folder)
- See you on Monday 19th February 😊

### Quote of the week...

'I liked the prawn crackers.' – Kiaan

'I liked the cake.' – Lucas

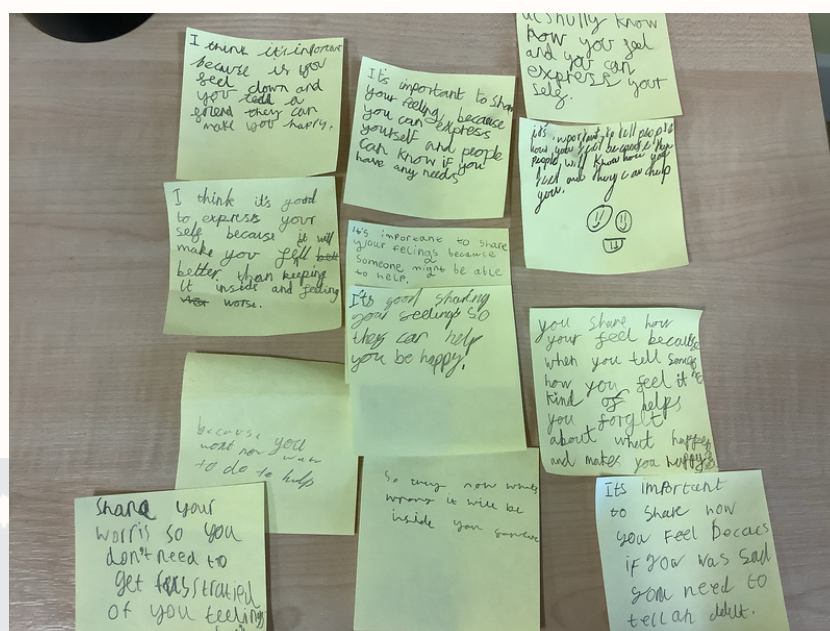
'I liked the egg fried rice.' – Anfa

## YEAR 3

### Our learning...

As we come to the end of the half term, we can look back at brilliant learning – from some excellent independent writes and advertising work in English, to understanding measurements, conversions and perimeter in maths. In History, we have concluded our learning with some wonderful pupil-led explanations of the different tools used during the Iron Ages, and in geography we used the online tool 'digimaps' to apply some of our compass work when finding directions to nearby landmarks. In art, we have paired our learning with our studies into Islamic traditions, replicating similar colours and patterns. In reading, the class have made excellent progress in their assessment scores, with many jumping up and therefore accessing new texts within our ever-growing library.

We look forward to returning in a weeks time, refreshed and ready to keep learning!



### Happy News...

We had a great session to raise awareness of Children's mental health week on Tuesday, where we discussed the importance of expressing our feelings and how to manage the more challenging moods. The class shared some excellent ideas and hopefully left with some practices of their own.

### 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.
- On Tuesdays we also have recorder – please ensure these are in bags and ready.
- Please try and read with your child in the evenings and record them in their reading records.

### Quote of the week...

"I realise what was right now, and I'm happy." Sirius

# YEAR 4

## Our learning...

We have reached the end of Spring 1 and how quickly this half term has passed by!

The children have worked incredibly hard this half term and have produced excellent pieces of writing based on our book- Edward Tulane. They have written diary entries and narrative journeys where they have used a range of compositional features and are becoming wonderful authors themselves.

In maths, we have reached the end of our unit on multiplication and division, and we will be moving onto fractions and decimals and continuing with perimeter and area.

In our topic learning, we have learnt so much about the Romans and how they were once a republic and then became an empire due to the actions of Julius Caesar! We linked our knowledge of the Romans with our Geography work on maps and how the Romans marched across Europe and invaded so many countries, Britain being one of them!

Our science learning has been all about sustainability and this week we have learnt about the impact of fuels, carbon dioxide and global warming. We learnt about how we need to try and reduce CO2 due to its impact on our world.

The children have continued to enjoy their sessions with Mr. Isdale in drama and clarinet with Theo and Tascha.

Lastly this week, we focussed on our mental health as it is 'Children's Mental Health Week'. We talked about how the theme for this year which is 'My voice matters' and how it is important to be heard and have their opinion taken seriously.



## Happy News...

We just wanted to say how great the class have worked this half term and how they have been so amazing to teach. They continue to thrive and learn, and they all work so hard in all areas of their learning. Well done, Pine Class

## Important parent information for next week:

- PE will continue to be on Tuesday and Thursday each week.
- Clarinet lessons every Wednesday.
- Times tables – please continue to learn your tables and use the link on Showbie to practise at home regularly. Please use the 'doing well' section.

## Quote of the week...

'I have liked learning about Romans, because they are so different to us in the modern day,' - Toka.

We wish you all a very relaxing and restful half term break – Year 4 team

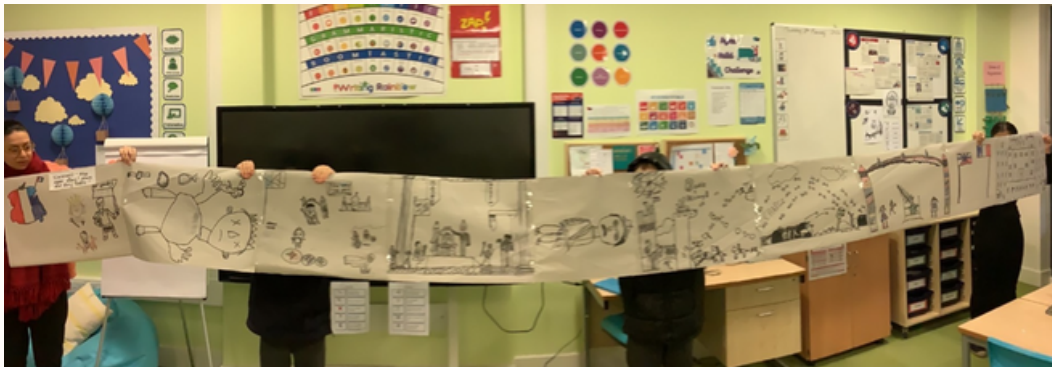


# YEAR 5

## Our learning...

Another busy couple of weeks for Year 5! It was great to share some of the amazing work we've been doing in class with parents/carers last week. I am looking forward to watching the class develop as learners over the course of the next few months, where I can hopefully share even more of our successes at our next parents' evening.

Due to this being a short half term, we have packed an awful lot in over the past two weeks! In maths, we completed our second fractions unit and have moved onto decimals – a topic the class has grasped beautifully so far! In English, we wrote non-chronological reports about a historical period (Vikings, Normans or the Romans), which linked beautifully to our topic lesson, where the children created their very own Bayeux Tapestry detailing the events leading up to and after the Norman Conquest. I can't wait to display this on our working wall. In music, the children composed their own piece of music using percussion instruments, and to top it all off, we worked up a sweat completing our fitness tests for this half term.



## Happy News...

It's half term! Enjoy a well-deserved break, everyone.

## Important parent information for next week:

- PE kit on Mondays and Thursdays.
- Please ensure books from the library are brought in every day with reading records.

## Quote of the week...

"They went to the great Battlefield in the sky – Valhalla" – Treyvon

# YEAR 6

## Our learning...

Over the last two weeks, in English, Year 6 have been learning to identify the features of newspaper reports and been practising applying them to their writing. This week, they wrote their own newspaper report about the blitz and they have been fantastic!

In maths, the children have demonstrated an excellent understanding of how to solve problems using ratios. They learned how to apply what they have learned about ratio to increasing proportions in recipes. Feel free to practise with them over the half term by getting them to bake you something tasty!

In history, the children have thoroughly enjoyed our World War 2 topic. They learned about what life was during The Blitz and they wrote fantastic diary entries about everyday experiences of people living during the war. This learning has been enhanced during our recent trip to The Imperial War Museum. We visited the World War 2 gallery, and the children were brilliantly engaged and enjoyed searching the gallery for the answers to the questions on their worksheet. I was very proud of how well they took to the challenge.

In art, the children have been learning how to create artwork using layering and collage. They used cardboard to create a 3D image of a landscape. Do take a look at their work which has been uploaded to showbie.



## Happy News...

The children had a fantastic time at The Imperial War Museum and were delighted to hear Brenda's experience of what it was like for a child evacuee during the war. The children were respectful and asked very thought provoking questions.

## Important parent information for next week:

- Next week is half-term – we hope you and your children have a lovely week off.
- Half-term homework will be sent out today. As well as this, additional Year 6 practise SATs homework will be uploaded to the homework folder for Spring 1. This is also optional but there if you should wish your child to do some additional SATs prep.
- Please ensure your child reads their reading book daily.

## Quote of the week...

'I've enjoyed this ratio topic' – Leo