

Key Dates:

22.12.23 – 05.01.24 Christmas holidays (school closed to all students)



08.01.24 School open to all students



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OASIS PUTNEY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful end to the autumn term! I am delighted to share with you some of the joyous moments our school community have experienced together.

On Tuesday we had a special music assembly, led by our music teacher, Miss Lou. The children enjoyed singing festive music together as a whole school and they were able to share some of the impressive things they have learnt this term.

Today class parties were full of laughter, games, and quizzes bringing smiles to every child's face. The children were able to celebrate all the hard work they have been doing over the past 16 weeks! A big thank you to Kerry for her contribution of tasty hotdogs!

In assembly this morning, we bid a fond farewell to Ms Khawaja. We are sad to see her go but wish her every success in her new endeavours. She has left an indelible mark on our school, and her presence will be dearly missed.

As we approach the winter break, we would like to express our gratitude to each of you for your ongoing support. May this holiday season bring you warmth, joy, and cherished moments with your loved ones. Wishing all parents and carers who celebrate, a happy and relaxing Christmas.

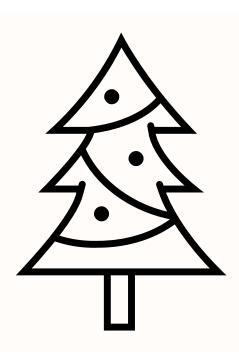
During the break may we kindly as all parents to fill in the Wandsworth & Richmond School Traffic Safety Survey

https://sustrans.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/oasisacademycopy.

We look forward to seeing you all in the new year, on Monday 8th January.

Best wishes,

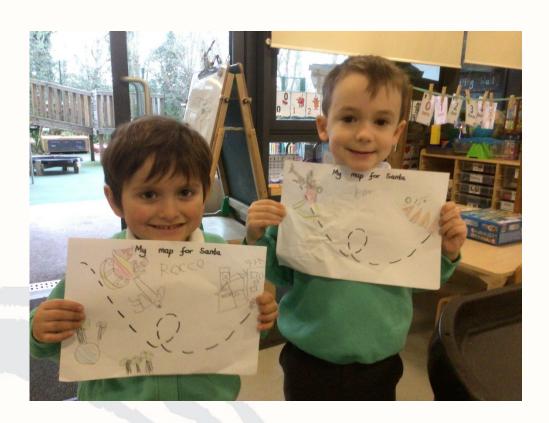
Tracey and the Putney Team



Reception

Our learning this week...

Our last week of the Autumn term has been spent getting ready for Christmas! We have been busy creating Christmas cards, making maps to help Santa find his way to our homes and learning lots of festive songs such as *Jingle Bells* and *Feliz Navidad*. In Maths we have been consolidating our understanding of number bonds, partitioning and adding. We also looked at patterns and extended our learning by finding a missing object in a repeating pattern containing 4 or more steps!



Happy News...

We have had a fantastic last week at school! The children have made such wonderful progress this term and I am definitely looking forward to seeing them progress further after the Christmas break.

The children enjoyed our class Christmas party today where we played games, sang songs, danced, and watched a Christmas film.

Important parent information for next week:

- Our topics next half term will be *Castles and Knights* and *Dinosaurs*. Perhaps over the Christmas break you might like to start talking about these topics at home or perhaps visit a castle or dinosaur museum.
- Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas break full of happiness!

Quote of the week...

Conker class "I want to wish you a Merry Christmas from the bottom of my heart".

Our learning this week...

In Maths this week, the children continued learning about numbers to twenty. This week, they looked at the numbers 14, 15 and 16 in detail. In English, the children wrote their narratives based on the book, 'The way back home'. In phonics, we continued to recap the phase 5 sounds we have learnt this term. We will start learning the remaining phase 5 sounds when we return to school on Monday 8th January. In Science, the children learnt about carnivores, herbivores and omnivores. With their newfound knowledge, they planned and designed a special meal for an animal. In History, the children continued to learn about Nelson Mandela. They created individual timelines to show the significant events in his life. They also compared Nelson Mandela to a hero in their life.















Happy News...

The children enjoyed making food for Rudolf in Outdoor Learning this week.

Important parent information for next week:

There is optional homework that has been uploaded to Showbie.

I hope you have a lovely and restful break. Thank you so much for your continued support.

Quote of the week...

'Hello Miss Ragusa' - Artem

Our learning this week...

This week the children have finished their shape unit in maths, demonstrating a good understanding of 2D and 3D shapes and their properties. The children have finalised their most recent narratives which were based on our class text 'Meerkat Mail'.

In other subjects, the children have been experimenting with watercolour techniques and creating a final piece in the style of JMW Turner! They have also learnt about the human and physical features of India, our link country, in geography and they have learnt about railways in India in history.

Happy News...

We have completed the autumn term! We are officially one third of the way through the year. The children are doing so well, and I am looking forward to seeing them all in January.



Important parent information for next week:

- I hope you all have a relaxing break with your loved ones
- See you on Monday 8th January 2024
- There is an optional winter homework project on Showbie should you wish to complete some work during the break. Please keep reading.

Quote of the week...

'It's a special day for Ms Khawaja. It's her last day.' - Ali

Our learning this week...

This week we have finished our English instruction writing, producing an excellent variety of crazy medicines and potions. We have also completed some excellent artwork in response to both Quentin Blake and Claude Monet. We have completed many festive activities throughout the week and are very much looking forward to taking some time to reflect on the wonderful term we have had.



Happy News...

Christmas is nearly here! Wishing all families a peaceful and happy break.

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.
- There will be no swimming next week (21st). We will return after Christmas.
- Please try and read with your child in the evenings and record them in their reading records.

Quote of the week...

"Many thanks for all your support throughout the term, and we wish you a very merry Christmas, and a relaxing break." The Year 3 team

Our learning this week...

What a busy last week of school we have had.

We have written about a story called The Long Wait, which tells the tale of a boy waiting for Christmas. We all thought he was eager for his own presents, but as it turns out he wanted to give and not receive – a very important message during this festive time.

The children have continued to work on their comprehension skills with our class text about Pompeii! What a thrilling text it was and links so well with all our work on volcanoes and earthquakes.

We also learnt about the Water Cycle and the children produced wonderful diagrams and detailed descriptions of this.

The whole school participated in a lovely Christmas singing assembly this week, and it was great to hear them all as one voice.

We finished off the week with our class party day. The children enjoyed playing our Kahoot Christmas quiz and we had lots of exciting maths and literacy-based activities to complete.







Happy News....and a goodbye!

We are excited to welcome Ms Begum to Pine class form January. The children have met her on a few occasions, and I know that they will enjoy being taught by her on a Friday.

We are very sad to say goodbye to Ms Khawaja who has been with us since last year as our class teacher on a Friday. We will miss her very much but wish her every success and our very best wishes as she moves on to her new school.

Important parent information for next week:

- Christmas homework is on Showbie for you to do.
- Return to school on Monday 8th January 2024
- Pine Class assembly 17th January 2024 @ 9.15am
- PE days will be Tuesday and Wednesday

A message from the team

We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge THANK YOU to you all for making our full first term in year 4 so amazing. Thank you for your continued support with all we do in class. May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy holiday season, and we will see you all in 2024!!

With best wishes,

Miss Hopson and the year 4 team!

Our learning this week...

Wow – what a term! Year 5 has worked exceptionally hard this term and I'm sure the children are all looking forward to a break. This week, Year 5 shared the work they have been doing in music with Miss Lou to the whole school. Keep practicing those Young Voices songs, everyone – not long now until you perform at the O2! We wrote some beautiful letters, diary entries and news reports based on the John Lewis advert, The Man on the Moon. We discussed how the festive period can be a difficult for some people, and considered how we might spread joy during this time. On our last day, we had a class party where we watched a film and enjoyed some treats. This was a great opportunity to wind down and relax after a particularly long half term. Finally, we bid goodbye to Miss Khawaja. I'm sure everyone will join me in wishing her the very best at her new school. She will be sorely missed here at Oasis Putney.







Happy News...

It's almost Christmas! Enjoy the well-deserved break.

Important parent information for next week:

- Young voices letters have been sent to all parents, with hard copies handed out to the children. Please ensure you have provided a permission slip and downloaded the O2 app.
- Please ensure books from the library are brought in every day.

Quote of the week...

Thank you for a fabulous half term. Have an amazing break, everyone! - Miss Carr

Our learning this week...

This week, in writing, the children wrote their persuasive letters using the techniques they learned over the last few weeks. They have structured their letters very well and used a great range of formal language.

In maths, the children have been solving problems involving fractions. They have

In science, the children explored the learning things in their habitats. They took photos of the plants in our locality, as well as some of the smaller animals they could find. They then used an identification key to help them find the names of the plants and animals. After that, the children created collages using the pic collage app and showed the classification of the living organism. I was very impressed with their work!

In RE, we looked at the life and teachings of the Dalai Lama. The children explored the meaning of his famous quotes and we discussed whether we agreed with them or not, and how we could apply them to our own lives.



Happy News...

On Tuesday, the children enjoyed a festive music assembly lead by Miss Lou. They showcased their fantastic xylophone skills!

Important parent information for next week:

Have a lovely Winter break and a Happy Christmas to those of you celebrating!

Quote of the week...

"I was able to identify the plant - it's a cow parsley!" - Nicholas