



# OASIS PUTNEY NEWSLETTER

## Key Dates:

**29.01.24**

**Y5 Cake Sale**

**30.01.24**

**Parents' Evening**

**01.02.24**

**Parents' Evening**

**05.02.24**

**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  
(Change of Date)**

**27.03.24**

**Y3 & Y4 Easter Production  
9.15am**

For term dates please visit:

[Term Dates -  
\(\[oasisacademyputney.org\]\(https://oasisacademyputney.org\)\)](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope this newsletter finds you well.

We are well and truly back into the swing of things for the Spring term, and we cannot believe we are over halfway through Spring 1 term already! Some exciting things have been over the past fortnight. Year 5 did amazingly well at the Young Voices concert and both children and staff had a fantastic time! Mr Looker has organised a range of exciting sporting events which the pupils have loved taking part in. We also had two brilliant class assemblies – Year 4's on volcanoes and earthquakes, and Year 3's on The Stone Age. It was a pleasure to see the fabulous work the children have been doing over the past few weeks.

As you know, we had our first Year 6 cohort last year sit the end of Key Stage 2 SATs exams. We are delighted to report that our overall results surpassed the national average. Please find details in the table below. We also had excellent results for our pupils achieving Greater Depth of Understanding (GDS) in reading, writing and maths combined. Nationally, the percentage was 8% and at Oasis Putney, we achieved 19% GDS in reading, writing and maths combined.

This success is a testament to the collaborative spirit that permeates our school and community. Like the proverbial saying, "It takes a village to raise a child", it truly takes the collective efforts of all the teachers, teaching assistants, parents and students working together to achieve excellent results such as these. We are confident that we are sending our students onto the next stage of their education with the skills and knowledge they need to thrive and succeed.

Year 6 SAT results 2022/2023	% achieving at least the Age Expected Standard in Reading, Writing and Maths combined	% achieving at least the Age Expected Standard in Reading	% achieving at least the Age Expected Standard in Writing	% achieving at least the Age Expected Standard in Maths
<b>Oasis Academy Putney</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>81%</b>
National Average	60%	73%	71%	73%

Looking ahead, next Monday we have the Elm class bake sale. Please note that the cakes will be sold outside the main foyer now, not in the KS1 playground.

Next month is LGBT History month. We will be having an assembly to commemorate this, focusing on acceptance, understanding and celebration of all different types of families and people. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Kelly via the office.

We look forward to seeing you at parent's evening next week. Please make sure you sign up for an appointment on MCAS. It is a great opportunity to speak to your child's class teacher about their progress and targets.

Wishing you a happy and relaxing weekend, and we look forward to seeing you all next week.

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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	Finlay	Ismail	Alina	Troy
Birch Class	Martin	Declan	Mounir	Sophia
Maple Class	Anfa	Camron	Jack	Max
Sycamore Class	James	Ziggy	Oren	Aras
Pine Class	Eden	Henry	Toka	Ethan S
Elm Class	Isabella	Nylah	Eliana	Elani
Chestnut Class	Samuel	Eytan	Muhammad	Leo

### This week's winners...

	Writer of the Week	Reader of the Week	9 Habit Certificate	Mathematical Thinking Award
Conker Class	Viktor	Zoe	Aleena	Laura
Birch Class	Arwen	Olivia	Eisa	Artem
Maple Class	Ali	Lucas	Leo B	Karem
Sycamore Class	Kal el	Oren	Abigail	Rex
Pine Class	Lizzi	Rosie V	Aanaya	Prixy
Elm Class	Max	-	Caleb	Che
Chestnut Class	Leo	Marli J	Alanna	Muhammad



## CERTIFICATES OF THE WEEK



### 3 Cs CERTIFICATE

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

19.01.24

KS1	KS2
Dylan	Idil

26.01.24

KS1	KS2
Ebrahim	Kelsey

### WEEKLY ATTENDANCES

19.01.04

Conker Class	Birch Class	Maple Class	Sycamore Class	Pine Class	Elm Class	Chestnut Class
92.86%	82.00%	97.73%	97.60%	97.24%	99.00%	94.40%

26.01.04

Conker Class	Birch Class	Maple Class	Sycamore Class	Pine Class	Elm Class	Chestnut Class
99.11%	96.25%	93.75%	95.00%	93.97%	91.88%	94.50%





# January Eco Champions Update



## ECO-SCHOOLS ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

Last term our Eco Champions helped each class complete a different area of our school Environmental Review. Have a look at how we scored in the different areas.

## ECO-SCHOOLS TARGETS 2023-24

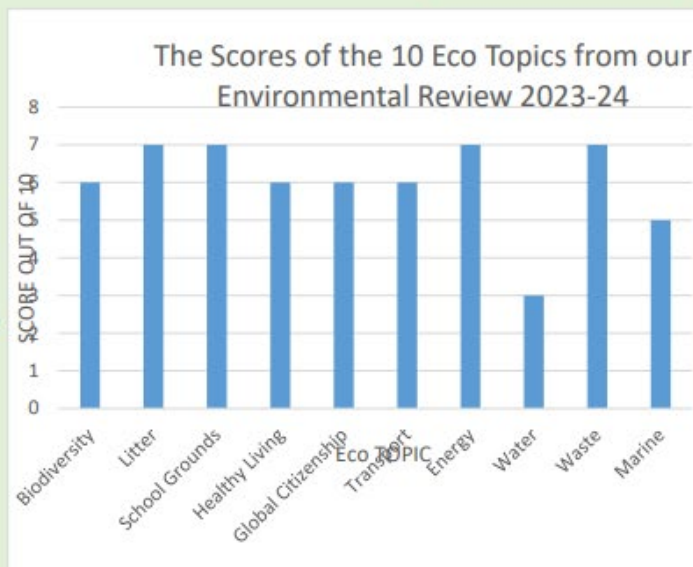
After much discussion, the Eco Team voted to continue last year's effort to work on the areas of:

**WASTE  
MARINE**



And as a new target, they voted to develop ways to work on the area of:

**TRANSPORT**



Help us to get started on our target of **TRANSPORT** straight away!!

## TARGET: TRANSPORT

If you are able to, there are so many good reasons to avoid driving to school. As a school we really encourage your children to travel all, or part of, the way by foot, scooter or bike.

To launch our target of **TRANSPORT** we are encouraging as many of you as possible to come to school by scooter or bike on the **22<sup>nd</sup> January**, with the added competition to **BLING YOUR BIKE OR SPARK UP YOUR SCOOTER**.

All you need to do is to add something bright, cheerful and fun to your mode of transport. Please see the poster attached for more information.



## GET INVOLVED AT HOME



Have you signed up for **Big Garden Birdwatch?**

[rspb.org.uk/birdwatch](https://rspb.org.uk/birdwatch)

Every year at school we have great fun supporting the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch... if you have a spare hour at the end of January, have a look at the RSPB website for how you can take part as a family.





# BLING YOUR BIKE

A BIG THANK  
YOU TO ALL  
WHO TOOK  
PART

## COMPETITION



WELL DONE  
RECEPTION WHO  
WON THE PRIZE  
FOR MOST  
ENTRIES!

*Keep up the good work by choosing healthier ways to travel.*



## THIS TIME IN | OUTDOOR LEARNING...

We just love taking advantage of the different seasons in Outdoor Learning and the changes in weather they bring. In last week's cold spell Year 1 travelled to 'Planet Ice' where they had great fun using pipettes, salt, and coloured water to investigate the effects on their own 'ice mountains'. They really did end up with some beautiful results!

When out in the woods, our Reception 'Knights' stumbled upon some ice piles whilst out scouting land for their castles and they showed such good teamwork and creativity as they worked together to try and break the ice! The other Kings and Queens opted to stay in the shelter of their newly built castles and shelter around the warmth of their fires.





## Reception

### Our learning...

The children thoroughly enjoyed our Castles and Knights topic and had some amazing discussions using the new vocabulary they had learnt. They particularly enjoyed our story *The Storybook Knight* which sparked conversations around whether they would make a good knight or not. In phonics we have been busy learning new sounds from phase 3 and lots of children are now using these sounds in their writing. In maths we have focused on numbers 6 and 7, completing addition and subtraction problems using various manipulatives to show our problem solving.



### Happy News...

- We had a great turn out for our Stay and Play session this week. It was so lovely to see you interacting with your children and I know the children loved showing off their classroom to you. You have also now seen the excitement the children have for the Phonics Fairy!

### Important parent information for next week:

- 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>

- Polite reminder to please write in your child's reading record at least once per week.

### Quote of the week...

'I would be a god knight because I like to protect people when bad things happen' – Finlay

# Year 1

## Our learning...

In phonics, we learnt the sounds – au (as in launch), ey (as in donkey), ow (as in grow) and a-e (as in caveman). The children had to read the 'ey' words on some tails and they had to pin the tails onto the donkey whilst wearing a blindfold. Poor Mr Miller was in the wrong place at the wrong time during our a-e phonics lesson. We had just read the book, 'Caveman Dave' so some of the children decided to write some sentences about him being a caveman! In maths, we completed a post assessment on place value and a pre assessment on addition and subtraction to 20. The children have impressed me immensely with their English learning these past two weeks. They have used some fantastic vocabulary in our vocabulary gathering sessions and have started to apply this to their sentences. In history, we looked at the role of the Prime Minister and the children discussed what they would do if they had that responsibility. In science, we looked at what space is and learnt the 8 planets. The children created posters to recall their learning.



## Happy News...

The children loved making 'pizzas' in outdoor learning.

## Important parent information for next week:

- Parent teacher meetings will take place on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January and Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February.
- PE will be on 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 watch the daily practice videos found in the parent resource section on Showbie. These will help your child to consolidate the new sounds taught.

## Quote of the week...

'George ate scrumptious food.' - Mounir



## Year 2

### Our Learning...

In Year 2 the children have been working hard to 'deepen the moment' in their writing lessons. This means that they have been carefully considering how they can add more detail in an exciting and engaging way. In maths, the children have completed their unit on money and next week they will begin to work on multiplication and division.

The children have also been working hard at developing their VIPERS reading skills and they have started to record their responses to texts in reading comprehension books. The children are enjoying our recent key texts on recycling and the Great Fire of London.



### Happy News...

The children are very engaged in our science unit of work based on materials. This week they experimented with playdough to see how some materials can change shape!

### Important parent information for next week:

- Parents' evening is on the 30<sup>th</sup> January and the 1<sup>st</sup> February
- Outdoor learning clothes are needed on Mondays, PE kits are needed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays
- Reading records and books are needed daily, please continue to read at home with your child
- Charged iPads are needed daily

### Quote of the week...

'I really enjoyed our first DT lessons this week because we got to make the bear slide and the Jack pop up.'

- Wulfie

## Year 3

### Our learning...

Over the last two weeks we have made brilliant progress in a lot of our subjects. In English, we are coming to the end of our unit, and will be completing our independent writes in time for parents' evening. Our plot points have been superb, so I am looking forward to seeing the finished products. In maths, we have been working on multiplication and division, and finishing with the tricky topic of ratios. In reading, the class have scored brilliantly in their star reader tests, pushing up their bands for their reading books.

In Geography, the class have been using atlases and globes to identify locations of continents. In History, we have been looking into the amazing stone age, and how lives shifted through the stone, bronze and iron ages. In art, we have been producing artwork themed by our history studies, and in science we have been exploring different amazing scientists from over the years.



### Happy News...

Firstly, a big thank you to all the parents for supporting our class assembly, and we hope you enjoyed. Outside of lessons, we have been fortunate enough to participate in the Wandsworth athletics tournament, as well as the AFC Wimbledon girls football tournament. Both teams performed brilliantly, and represented the school with great pride.

### 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 think we did a really good job in our assembly!" Kal el



## Year 4

### Our learning...

We have been very busy these past two weeks!

We have reached the end of our journey narrative all about Edward Tulane and what an adventure he had! We are now very excited to be able to write our own narrative journey. The children's writing is so wonderful and they demonstrate such skill in their composition. So many of them have been to show Miss O'Brien what they do. Well done!

In maths we are now working on short multiplication and division and we are applying this skill to problem solving and ensuring that we show our thinking so we can explain our learning in depth.

As part of our topic work, we have looked at tessellating patterns in art and we have also started our sustainability work in science. We have understood about the impact of synthetic materials and we have linked this to decomposition of natural and synthetic materials. We have also learnt about the importance of recycling. In history, we found out about Julius Caesar and the significance he had on Rome and its empire.



### Happy News

What an amazing assembly Pine Class did all about Earthquakes and Volcanoes! They all learnt their lines perfectly, spoke clearly and loudly and were very confident in their delivery. The children should all be so proud of themselves, I know that I am very proud of every one of them!

### 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...

'Pine class assembly was very exciting for us because we got to show our work that we have been doing in class to our parents!' Tommy

## Year 5

### Our learning...

Year 5 have been super busy over the past two weeks. On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January, we attended the O2 for the Young Voices concert, where we sung with 9000 other primary school students to a HUGE audience of parents and carers. We had the privilege of watching 13-year-old drumming prodigy Nandi Bushell perform, as well as the online sensation, MC Grammar. It was a late night for all of us, but definitely worth it! At school, in science, we have been looking at healthy living, delving into past clinical experiments surrounding scurvy, and exploring how nutrients and water is absorbed in our digestive system - even going as far as creating our own with tights and Weetabix (messy!). In maths, we completed our unit on multiplication and division, and will be moving onto our second fractions unit; whilst in English, we will be writing our independent pieces, inspired by Tony Bradman's, *The Viking Boy*. Finally, many members of Elm class have had the opportunity to compete in sports events with Mr Looker recently, which they all thoroughly enjoyed. I'm sure there will be many more trips like this in the near future!



**Happy News...** Young Voices was an absolute triumph! Many thanks to Ms Lou for organising this trip.

### Important parent information for next week:

- PE kit on Thursdays.
- Please ensure books from the library are brought in every day.

### Quote of the week...

The milk and water leaking through the tights represents the nutrients being absorbed through the small intestine! Anything left behind is waste. – Kai



## Year 6

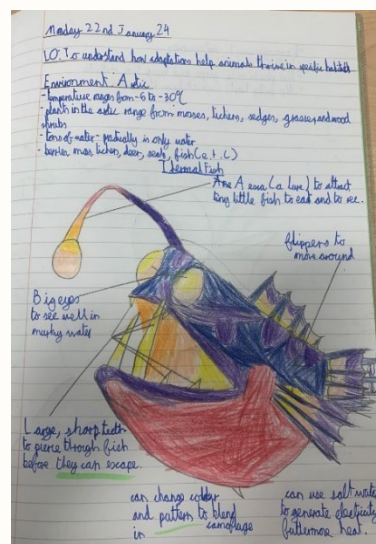
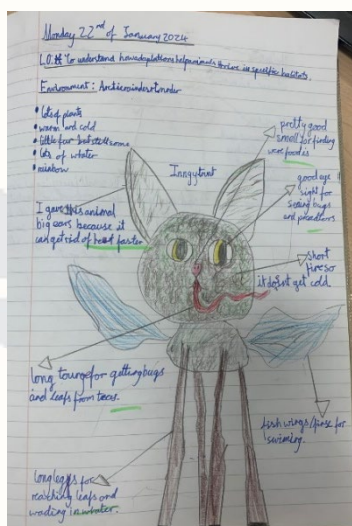
### Our learning...

Over the last two weeks, Year 6 have been learning how to write a tale of fear. They have been refining their understand of pathetic fallacy to create gloomy mood and atmosphere. They have also been using 'show not tell' to convey the fear the character is feeling. They finished their independent writing today and I am very much looking forward to marking their work.

In maths, we have finished our fractions topic and are moving onto ratio. The children have been learning about the language of ratio and how to use the symbol correctly. We will continue this topic next week.

In history, the children have been learning about The Holocaust. They learned about how the Jewish people (and other minority groups) were persecuted during this time, and that The Final Solution involved the mass genocide of Jewish people. The children will learn more about this in further detail in KS3. Next, they will be learning about The Blitz and child evacuees. We are very excited about the trip next week, where the children will have the opportunity to meet a lady called Brenda, who was a child evacuee.

In science, the children were learning about adaptations and how animals evolve over time to best suit their environment. They learned that characteristics that give the animal an advantage will cause the animal to evolve over time and a new species to be created. The children created their own animal with unique features, best suited to their environment and I just loved their creativity! Please see Sasha and Alex's work below:



### Happy News...

This week, the children completed a set of practise SATs exams. The children were very cool, calm and composed during the tests and have really demonstrated that they are confident and ready for their exams.

### Important parent information for next week:

- Parents evening next week on Tuesday and Thursday
- Next Wednesday, we are going on our school trip to The Imperial War Museum. Please remind your child to wear comfortable shoes (plain trainers are permitted) and they need a packed lunch (unless the school is providing one for your child)
- Homework is due on Wednesday.
- Please ensure your child reads their reading book daily.

### Quote of the week...

'I really like writing now; I feel proud of my work'— Khyla