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# Wistow Ways



**Orton Wistow  
Primary School**

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**This week's Assembly Theme:**

This morning's assembly was about The Rule of Law, one of the core British Values. We learnt about how laws are made. We then reflected on how with rights comes responsibility.

## Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Easter holiday already seems a long time ago! I hope you all had a fantastic break and enjoyed the wonderful weather we had in the second week.

It was a full and exciting first week back and the children settled back in to the new term well. On Wednesday, I met with teachers from most of the year groups across the school to carry out pupil progress meetings. This is a chance for us to discuss all the children in school, how they progressed over the Spring term and we use it as an opportunity to share what is working well and how we might adjust the curriculum in the coming term to support the children's learning.

I also gave a tour of the school for three potential candidates for the teaching assistant position we are currently advertising for. At the end of the tour, all three commented on the atmosphere in our school, saying how calm and positive it felt in every classroom and through the building. A lovely compliment!

Best wishes,

Colin Marks  
Deputy Head Teacher  
(Currently reading 'The Loney' by Andrew Michael Hurley)

## Reading

	R	%
Magpies	2	24
Cobras	12	23
Sharks	11	22
Penguins	1	22
Caterpillars	6	20
Elephants	3	17
Iguanas	4	16
Armadillos	8	16
Giraffes	5	12
Macaws	7	11
Flamingoes	9	8
Hérons	10	7
Nightingales	13	7
Wombats	14	5
Percentage		51

Well done to the Sharks class who had the highest percentage this week!

Unfortunately, our reading took a dip last week. As you can see from the table above, in six classes, less than half of the children achieved our target of reading 5 times a week at home. In some classes, most children didn't have their reading diary in school, even though this is one of our expectations.

## Attendance

Last week our Whole School Attendance was: 97.99%

Gordon the Good Attendance Gorilla was most impressed by these classes who had the highest attendance of 100%:

**HERONS**  
**CATERPILLARS**



## Shining Stars



There were no Shining Stars last week due to Half Term the previous week

## House Points by Mr Eardley

**Dempsey**  
**36**



**Mallard**  
**58**



**Nene**  
**32**



**Fens**  
**41**



## This Week's Menu by Mrs Cooper

	Top Ten Favourite	Roast	Comfort Food	Feel Good Thursday	Basket Meal
	W/C Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> April	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course 1	Fish Star	Turkey Fillet in Gravy & Yorkshire Pudding	Sausages in BBQ Sauce (optional) ✓	<b>NEW!</b> Breaded Chicken Steak	Beef Burger in a Bun
Main Course 2 (V)	Quorn Nachos ✓	Quorn Fillet in Vegetarian Gravy & Yorkshire Pudding	Vegan Quorn Sausage in BBQ Sauce (optional) ✓	Macaroni Cheese ✓	Quorn Southern Style Burger in a Bun
Main Course 3	Beef Nachos ✓		Ploughman's (Grated Cheese, Pickled Onion & Bread Roll) ✓	Bubble Crumb Salmon Fillet (Gluten free)	Assorted Filled Rolls ✓
Starchy Food	Potato Smiles New Potatoes ✓	Mashed Potatoes New Potatoes ✓	Potato Wedges Mashed Potatoes	New Potatoes ✓ Oven Herb Diced Potatoes	Oven Chips
Dessert 1	Frozen Yogurt	Scone with jam & cream ✓	Iced Bun ✓	Shortbread & Fruit Juice ✓	Chocolate Krispie Cake ✓
Dessert 2	Fudge Tart & Chocolate Sauce ✓	Raspberry Flapjack ✓	Strawberry Cake ✓	Trifle ✓	Assorted Mousse

## Monty's Mealtime Marvels

by Mr Eardley

Next Friday's Monty's Mealtime Marvels will be:

- Reeha Mahmood
- Joshua Unwin
- Ria Hastie
- Jessica Wharton



All four children have shown that they remember the PRIDE Code when eating in our dining room. Well done!

## School Nurse Drop In

by Mrs Nalton

(Currently reading 'Watching You' by Lisa Jewell)



Our School Nurse, Mr Sam Davies, will be holding his next Drop In Session tomorrow Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April from 9 - 12pm, and parents are invited to attend.

Please can you contact the School Office if you would like to book a 30-minute slot within this time to see the School Nurse.

School Nursing drop-ins offer a confidential and safe environment for parents to discuss issues about their child's health and wellbeing. Information and advice can be accessed and children and young people can be signposted or referred to other services.

## FOWS

by Sophie Chambers

(Currently reading with her children 'Fing' by David Walliams').

### Upcoming Events

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Nene Cake Sale

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Bags2school collection day

### School Lottery

Congratulations to Lisa Lincoln on winning £13.80 this week! Please help to boost our weekly jackpot by taking a moment to sign up by visiting [www.ourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.ourschoollottery.co.uk) and search for Orton Wistow Primary School. New supporters this month could be in with a chance of winning one of five £50 restaurant vouchers!

### Donation Friday

Thank you to everyone who made a gift donation on Friday and wore a pair of wacky socks-it was much appreciated. We will be sure to have a healthy tombola stall now!

### Nene Cake Sale

TODAY is the fourth and final cake sale of the year. Many thanks as always to our families for their generous baked donations. Please remember a few pennies this afternoon to support their efforts!

### Bags2school

The Bags2school collection is booked for this Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May. Everyone should have received a bag prior to the holidays, which can be returned at any point this week and left in the school office. Additional items for the collection may be donated in ordinary black sacks. Thank you to those that have already returned bags!

### Easyfundraising

Don't forget to help raise funds for FOWS whenever you shop online. Use easyfundraising to shop with over 3,500 big name retailers including Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS and Booking.com-and when you shop, you'll raise a free donation for us every time. It's that easy! Help support us:

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofortonwistowprimaryschool/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofortonwistowprimaryschool/)

If you do your shopping on your mobile or tablet, get the free easyfundraising app on iOS or Android and you'll never miss a donation for FOWS. The easyfundraising app makes it easier to raise donations with over 3,500 retailers every time you shop online: [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/raise-more/easyfundraising.app](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/raise-more/easyfundraising.app)

## Meet The Governors - Governor Blog

**By** Mrs Nalton

(Currently reading 'Watching You' by Lisa Jewell)

### **Mrs Hayley Fidgett - Teacher Governor.**

I am Hayley Fidgett and I am Staff Governor.

I have been a member of staff at OWPS for the last 5 years and have been teaching both in the local area and internationally for 9 years. Having been educated at OWPS as a pupil myself, I feel very at home here! In my time teaching at OWPS, I have worked and led teams in both KS1 and KS2. Additional to team leadership, I also hold roles in school leading the Computing curriculum and developing our website. I look forward to working alongside our governing body and experiencing the life of our school from a new perspective.

### **Adam Green –Governor**

My name is Adam Green, Husband to Katie, Dad to both Harry (3) and Chloe (1). Harry is currently at Orton Wistow under 5's and will be starting Orton Wistow in September this year. We have lived in Orton Southgate for 6 years however I have lived in Peterborough all my life and attended local schools.

I am a keen golfer, an avid reader (Currently reading 'Mindset' by Carol Dweck). I also enjoy days out and our holidays together as a family.

Professionally I work in Banking where I am employed by Barclays and have been for the last 14 years. I have held a variety of roles from Area Leadership to my current role within our Performance & Transformation Team where I support the business with the delivery and implementation of both strategic and regulatory change.

This is my first Governor role and I am looking forward to getting started and supporting the school moving forward.

## Big Pedal

**by** Ms Porter

(currently reading 'When God Was A Rabbit' by Sarah Winman)

Thank you to all of the parents, carers, staff and most importantly children and their siblings who supported The Big Pedal this year. The criteria was such that it was tougher than usual as walking to school counted. This made it easier for some schools that were in more populated locations.

We came 4th in Peterborough overall and 74th nationally. However, our cycling scores were very good which is great as the aim of the competition is to encourage children to use their bikes.

I am so pleased to let you know that our cycling score was the highest in Peterborough at 24.8% and we were 3rd for scooting at 21.6%. We will be having a visit from Joe Sproat, an extreme biker that will be visiting us later on in May to show us some bike tricks.

Well done everyone!

Please help us to promote this great scheme by continuing to use pedal power to come to school. It is a healthy way to travel as well as being good for the environment. It has certainly got me cycling more I travelled over 300 miles (not in one go!) on my bike over the Easter holidays. This was to train for Ride London which I was lucky enough to get a place on, a 100-mile national cycle event that takes place on 4th August, look out for me on TV!



# FS Happy Chicks

by Mrs McIntosh

(currently reading 'Psychic Surveys – Old Cross Cottage by Shani Struthers)



If you listen carefully in the foundation stage unit, above the noise of 60 children and 5 adults you will hear the sound of chirping! The children in the Magpies and Penguins have been lucky enough to receive 16 chicken eggs.

It has been so lovely to actually see these little chicks hatch and enter the world, developing in front of our eyes. The children have loved looking after the chicks and they have inspired lots of writing and creativity.

We have been learning all about the life cycle of chickens and now know lots of facts about our chicks!

Did you know a chick has an egg tooth?

We will be sad to see our little chicks leave, but know they are going away to a wonderful farm.

## Coming Up!

### Week: WB 29 April 2019

#### Year 2 SATS

#### Monday

Nene Cake Sale  
OMA Year 3 / 4 Fun Run

#### Tuesday

School Nurse Drop in 9-12pm

#### Wednesday – Friday

Year 4 Grafham Water Trip

#### Friday

FOWS Bags 2 School Collection day  
Britten Sinfonia Visit to KS1 - 1- 3pm

### Next Week: WB 6 May 2019

#### E-SAFETY WEEK

#### Iguanas Lunch Week

#### Year 2 SATS

#### Monday

Bank Holiday

#### Thursday

Honours Award Assembly 7

#### Friday

Class Photo Day

### In 2 Weeks: WB 13 May 2019

#### YEAR 6 SATS Week

#### Year 2 SATS

#### Monday

Penguins Moor Farm Trip

#### Tuesday

Magpies Moor Farm trip

#### Thursday

Census Day

#### Friday

FOWS Wear Trainers for Sweets  
Giraffes Class rip to Bee Observatory Experience - Showground

### In Three Weeks: WB 20 May 2019

#### STEM WEEK

#### Magpies Lunch Week

#### Tuesday

Joe Sproat Extreme Biker Visit – Provisional date

#### Thursday

Year 4 - 2 Can Learn 9.15-10.15am

Thinking Afternoon

School Disco

#### Friday

Last Day of term