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MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

I did my second tour for new FS parents last week and wandering through the school reminded me of how lovely OWPS is. The best advertisement for our school was by far the children themselves. In all the classes we visited they were engaged in the learning that was taking place and were following the PRIDE code, I felt very proud of them. The first classrooms we visited were the Penguins and Magpies and all the children were sat together on the Penguins' carpet, starting to learn their nativity songs! It takes nearly two months to get them ready for their performance and we are all already looking forward to it.

I am also excited about going to London with Year Six this week. It is a fantastic residential trip and I'm sure all the children going will love it. There are lots of other exciting things happening this week including our first competitive games for this year's school football team. I'd like to wish them and Mr. Cowles the best of luck.

Colin Marks – Deputy Head Teacher

This Morning's Assembly Theme:

As part of our ongoing theme of Wellbeing, this morning we thought about Achieving. We spent time thinking about having a Growth Mindset.

Polite • Respect • Independent • Do your best • Everybody matters



Attendance

Last week our Whole School Attendance was: 96.80%

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



GIRAFFES

Shining Stars



Well done to the following children who all received a Shining Star last week!

Penguins: Arabella Walmsley	Magpies: Annabelle Parmley
Elephants: Flora Witt	Iguanas: Noah Wade
Giraffes: Rumaisa Javed	Caterpillars: Mayzee Hodgson
Macaws: Eden Jeal - Dunkling	Nightingales: Maisie Ware
Cobras: Eva Chapman	Flamingos: Isaac Adkins
Wombats: Antonio Piotrowski	Armadillos: Camilla Avolio
Sharks: Leila Riviere	Toucans: Will Holmes

Reading Champions

Every time a child reads with an adult at home, they earn a Dojo point towards their class reward.

Our target is that every child reads **WITH** an adult at home, 5 times a week. This week's class averages were:

Penguins: 8.9 ★	Magpies: 6.5
Elephants: 5.1	Iguanas: 4.8
Giraffes: 5.1	Caterpillars: 5.7
Macaws: 3.7	Nightingales: 4.0
Flamingoes: 3.8	Cobras: 4.1
Armadillos: 2.3	Wombats: 2.4
Sharks: 3.0	Toucans: 3.4



Children in Years 1-6 earn Dojo Points for their class by reading with an adult at home, demonstrating the PRIDE Code and our Learning Toolkit and for gaining House Points.



ClassDojo

This week's Dojo Scores were:

Elephants: 618 ★	Iguanas: 176
Giraffes: 403	Caterpillars: 412
Macaws: 404	Nightingales: 323
Cobras: 348	Flamingoes: 374
Wombats: 224	Armadillos: 87
Sharks: 590	Toucans: 328



Dojo Masters

Our Top 3 Dojo scorers were:

KS1: Millie Massingham (41)

LKS2: Michael Williamson (22)

UKS2: Bella Cleworth (33)



Children in Years 2-6 are challenged to practise their times tables at www.trockstars.com.

These children are the most improved this week.

Toucans: Nojus Vaickleionis and Koki Leshtarov

Sharks: Jack Whittaker - Osborne

Wombats: Jenson Abraham

Armadillos: Lukas Schneider

Cobras: Ethan Moody

Flamingos: Ryley Honeywood-Down

Macaws: Felix Guttman

Nightingales: Michael Williamson

HOUSE POINTS

DEMPSEY
81

MALLARD
60

NENE
70

FENS
71

Poppy Appeal

By Mrs Nalton

Every year, the Legion organises a countrywide network of Poppy Appeals, the nation's symbol of Remembrance. The Poppy Appeal raises about half of the funds needed for their welfare work every year.



This year we will again be selling poppies throughout the school day, for any donation, and the following products adjacent can be purchased as well. Please send your child in with the appropriate money from. Thank you.

The poppies will be on sale until 12th November.



Flu Immunisation Programme

By Mrs Nalton

For those children who missed their Nasal Flu Vaccination last week the Nursing team are running a number of clinics throughout Peterborough until January.

Saturday sessions are also available.

This was sent out to all parents last Thursday.



Please ring 0300 555 5055 option 1 to speak to the team and find out where the sessions are book a place, between 9-4.30pm Monday to Friday.

Honours Award Assembly

By Mrs Russell

The following children received an Honours Award on Thursday 31st October 2019.

- Alanna Sterne
- Joseph Goode
- Sophia Martin
- Frankie Allpress-Freeland
- Mia Marchbank
- Niall Fox
- Jamie Robinson
- Logan Ridley
- Brooke Prosser
- Jayden Brattan
- Evie-Grace Tomkins
- Samuel Hales

The reason was 'For showing great resilience. You bounce back when things go wrong! Well done!

Student Update Form

By Mrs Nalton

Please can you send your signed Student Update forms as soon as possible to the School Office, even if there are no amendments. This is a statutory requirement every year to ensure that we have the up to date information for all children.

Thank you very much.



Children in Need

By Mrs Johnson



Children In Need 2019

Friday 15th November

For Children In Need this year we will be raising money in the following ways:

Children can have a non-uniform day if they donate £1
Delicious Wistow Biscuits will be on sale for 50p.

Anti-Bullying Week

By Mrs Attwood
PHSE Subject Lead

This year's theme for National Anti-bullying week is 'Change starts with us!' It will be held from Monday 11th to Friday 15th November.



All classes will be taking part in anti-bullying week activities and lessons including an assembly on Tuesday 12th November.

Odd socks day returns!

On Tuesday 12th November we will also be holding our annual **ODD SOCKS** day where children are invited to wear odd socks to stand against bullying and can make a suggested donation of £1 to the anti-bullying alliance via the school.

Further information on Odd Socks Day and the work of the Anti-Bullying Alliance be found explore the link shown <https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/>

Many thanks.



Operation Christmas Child

By Mr Eardley

Last term we sent home leaflets for the Samaritans Purse charity, who forward Christmas gifts to underprivileged children around the world. If you would like to find out more about this Christian charity and Operation Christmas Child, you can find their website at: <https://www.samaritans-purse.org.uk/>

STEP 1 Find a Shoebox: Get an empty medium sized shoebox, and wrap the box and lid separately in colourful wrapping paper or order pre-printed shoeboxes online. Attach the appropriate boy/girl label, marking if your gift is for a boy or a girl. Select an age category 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14 and attach the label to the top of your shoebox. (Some shoeboxes are available in school)

STEP 2 Fill with gifts: "WOW" ITEM: Include a toy that a child will immediately love as soon as they open the box.

Ideas include: Stuffed animal, deflated football & pump, toy truck, doll (baby, Barbie etc.), musical instruments.

TOYS: Include items that children will immediately embrace such as dolls or stuffed toys (with CE label), toy trucks, harmonica, yo-yo, skipping rope, ball, small puzzles etc.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Pens, pencils & sharpeners, crayons or felt pens, stamps & ink pad sets, writing pads or notebooks & paper, solar calculators, colouring & picture books etc.

HYGIENE ITEMS: Toothbrush, bars of wrapped soap, comb or hairbrush, flannel.

OTHER ITEMS: Hat, cap, gloves or scarf, sunglasses, hair accessories, jewellery set, wind up torch.

DO NOT INCLUDE: Used or damaged items, war related items such as toy guns, play soldiers or knives; chocolate or other food items; liquids or lotions of any type including bubbles; medicines; hand-made or knitted stuffed toys; anything of a political, racial or religious nature; sharp objects; glass containers, mirrors or fragile items; playing cards of the 4-suit variety; clothing other than as listed above. **Unfortunately, due to customs limitations to some countries we are not allowed to pack toothpaste or sweets in the boxes this year. Please check the leaflets for exact recommendations.**

If you cannot manage a whole shoebox, please drop off any items and we will make up some shoeboxes.

STEP 3 Make your project donation: A suggested donation of £5 is essential to cover project costs, including shipping, to enable a local church or group overseas to lead a safe, well-organised children's event where your shoebox will be given to a child in need. Or you can enclose cash or cheque (to Samaritan's Purse) and place it in an envelope inside your shoebox on top of the contents.

STEP 4 Drop Off Your Shoebox: Place a rubber band around each closed shoebox and bring into school.

Closing date for the Shoeboxes is Wednesday 13th November.

OWPS Family Challenges

By Mrs Granville

Here is our next **Family Challenge** for you to try.
The Fourth Challenge is...

**Go on a scavenger hunt. Can you collect something for every letter of the alphabet?
Send us your photos!**

If your child/children produces something they have made at home, send it into school and we will display it on our Home Learning display in the HUB corridor.

Please send in any photos, models, posters or anything else you create as part of this Family Challenge. Or you can tweet or e mail to the school office. We look forward to seeing what you get up to!
Good luck!



Halloween Lunch

By Mrs Nalton

Last Thursday 31st October the children enjoyed the first of our special lunch days, Halloween Lunch. The kitchen prepared Halloween themed puddings including Halloween biscuits and Spooky sponge. The kitchen also decorated the serving hatch with pumpkins, spiders and cobwebs which certainly got the children in the Halloween spirit.

As this was the first of our special lunch invites to adults, this event booked up very quickly. Please remember parents or carers are always welcome on any other day to join their children. Please book via the School Office no later than 9.30am on the day and we shall organise for your children to meet you at the hall at the specified time.



School Nurse Drop In

By Mrs Nalton

Our School Nurse, Clare Harrington, will be holding a Drop In Sessions on **Tuesday 3rd December from 9 - 12pm**, and parents are invited to attend.

Please can you contact the School Office if you would like to book a 15-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 Update

By Sophie Chambers (Chair)

Autumn Term Upcoming Events

Wednesday 6th November 9am – Bag2school clothing collection

Friday 29th November – Donation Friday (jumpers for bottles)

Friday 6th December – Christmas Fayre

Friday 13th December – Children's Christmas Sale

School Lottery

Congratulations to Lisa Borgognoni on winning £12.90 this week! Please help to boost our weekly jackpot by taking a moment to sign up by visiting www.yourschoollottery.co.uk and search for Orton Wistow Primary School.

For any parents new to the OWPS, this is such an easy way to support your school- please do sign up if you can and also let your friends and family know, as anyone can play!

Bag2school-Wednesday 6th November

Collection bags were sent home with the children prior to half term. We ask that you fill these bags with any unwanted clothing and return to the school office prior to 9am this Wednesday 6th November please. Accepted items include clothing (no logo school uniform), paired shoes, accessories, soft toys and household linen/curtains/towels.

This is a great way of having a clear out whilst helping to raise money for the school, your support is greatly appreciated!

Christmas Fayre Raffle Tickets

We will be sending four books of raffle tickets home with each family this Thursday, if you have more than one child at school then they will be sent home with the eldest sibling. There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs, including our top prize of an Apple iPad, which has been generously donated by BGL Group.

The Christmas Fayre is one of our key fundraisers and pre-sale of raffle tickets always makes a big difference to the final total. Please help us by selling your raffle tickets to friends and family prior to the draw on Friday 6th December. Monies, slips and ticket stubs can be returned to the school office at any point in an envelope.

Thank you in anticipation!

Children's Christmas Sale

Plans are now well underway for our Children's Christmas Sale on the 13th December. In order to run this event successfully we have relied on the generosity of some parents and grandparents who, unfortunately no longer have children at OWPS. Are you, or do you know anyone who would be willing to donate some small handmade items that the children can purchase for their family? Previously we have had lots of knitted, crochet and embroidered items donated to us that the children always love to purchase. If you think you might be able to help or would like some further information then please do drop us a message on our Facebook page or email fows@owps.org.uk.



Wednesday 6th November 2019

DROP BAGS AT RECEPTION BY 9 A.M., ON THE MORNING OF 6th November.
IF YOUR BAGS ARE READY BEFORE THEN, DROP THEM OFF AND WE WILL STORE.
NEED MORE BAGS? JUST USE REGULAR BLACK BIN BAGS.

Nut Free School

By Mrs Nalton

We have pupils in school with severe nut allergies.

These allergies are such that the slightest contact with nuts could be life threatening. We therefore respectfully ask that **no nuts** are knowingly brought onto the premises by adults or children. This includes peanut butter, Nutella spread and some cereal bars which I know is popular in lunch boxes.

Please do not hesitate to contact the School Office if you have any further questions.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



Applying for a Reception place and Tours 2019 / 20

By Mrs Nalton

The application round for Reception September 2020 is now open and will **close on 15th January 2020**. Please visit the Peterborough City Council website: www.peterborough.gov.uk/admissions to apply.

Date of Birth applicable for September 2020 start:

1 September 2015 - 31 August 2016 start school in September 2020.

New reception tours still remaining for entry to Orton Wistow Primary School September 2020.

	Date	Time
4	Wednesday 6th November 2019	1.30-2.30pm
5	Monday 18th November 2019	1.30-2.30pm
6	Wednesday 27th November 2019	9.45-10.45am
7	Tuesday 7 th January 2020	9.30-10.30am

If you would like to book a place on one of the tours, please call the School Office on 01733 370646.

RE Days at Wistow

By Miss Cameron

On Friday 1st November, we had our very first whole school RE day.

This day focused around the religion of Hinduism, with a specific focus on the festival of Diwali (the festival of lights).



The children took part in many hands on activities including making puppets, producing mandala and rangoli patterns using rice and the Chromebooks and designing and creating their own clay Diwali lamps.

I was lucky enough to walk around school last week and share in the children's learning and it was truly amazing to see how much they had learnt in just a few hours. It is my hope that your children went home on Friday bursting with new found knowledge and questions about the Hindu faith.

Please do refer to our class twitter pages if you want to see some pictures to spark some discussions (no pun intended).



Coming Up!

This Week: WB: 4th November 2019

Wombats Lunch Week

Monday

Year 5 / 6 Badminton Festival OBA 1.30-2.45pm
selected children

Tuesday

Bonfire Lunch – Pre-booked parents only

Wednesday – Friday

London Trip Residential – Year 6

Wednesday

Bag2school clothing collection

Foundation Stage Tour 4: 1.30-2.30pm

Next Week: WB 11th November 2019

Iguanas Lunch Week

Anti- Bullying Week

Monday

ET to photograph Foundation new starters
KS1 Reading Café 2.30-3.15pm

Tuesday

ODD SOCKS DAY – for Anti-Bullying £1 donation

Year 3 Assembly 9am

Wednesday

FS trip to Museum 9.30am – 1pm

Football Match against Woodston Home 3-4pm

Thursday

Year 5 Family Learning 9.10am

Friday

Children In Need – Dress down day

In Two Weeks: WB 18th November 2019

Grandparents Lunch Week 1

Online Safety Week 2

Monday

Foundation Stage Tour 5: 1.30-2.30pm

Football Match Away St Michaels 3-4.30pm

Wednesday

Year 2 Planetarium Event

Thursday

Year 1 - 2 Can Learn 9.10am

Young Leaders Competition Day Year 3 / 4 Nene

Valley Primary School – Selected children only

In Three Weeks: WB 25th November 2019

Grandparents Lunch Week 2

Wednesday

Year 4 trip to Verulamium Museum, St Albans

Foundation Stage Tour 5: 1.30-2.30pm

Thursday

Year 4 - 2 Can Learn 9.10am

Friday

Donation Friday – Jumpers for Bottles