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MESSAGE FROM THE DEPUTY HEADTEACHER

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all enjoyed the half term break despite the wet and windy weather! I got to spend the first part of today in the Flamingos class and they have definitely arrived back in school in good form, ready to learn and focussed.

Year Five have started the new half term in an exciting way, taking part in Ancient Greek drama workshops in the hall. We also have the author, Will Mabbitt visiting school tomorrow and a girl's only football competition on Wednesday.

We have received another letter from a concerned local resident over the parking situation around school. Some cars are being parked on the grass verge and this is causing damage to these areas. Please can I ask that you stick to parking in the bays on Wistow Way or consider parking a little further away to help with the parking problems. Thank you.

Kind regards

Colin Marks Deputy Head Teacher

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World Book Day

This Morning's Assembly Theme:

There was no assembly this morning.

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



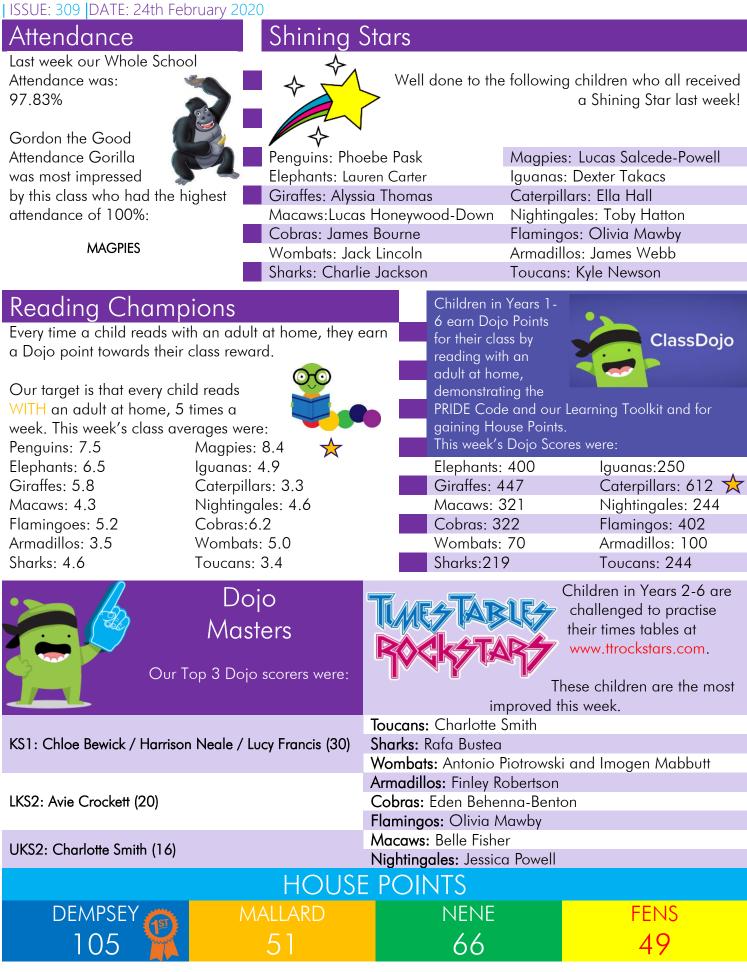












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School Nurse

By Mrs Nalton

Our School Nurse, Clare Harrington, will be holding a Drop In Session on **Wednesday 29th April 2020 from 9** – **11.30am**, and parents are invited to attend. Please can you contact the School Office if you would like to book a 15minute 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.

Sports Relief

By Ms Porter

Sport Relief is a biennial charity event from Comic Relief, in association with BBC Sport, which brings together the worlds of sport and entertainment to raise money to help



vulnerable people in both the UK and the world's poorest countries.

To help raise money for Sport Relief 2020 on Friday $13^{\rm th}$ March for a donation of £1, children can wear their trainers for the day.

Further information to follow.

History Learning Walk

By Mrs Morris

On Monday the 10th of February, myself and Governor Adam Green observed a series of History lessons across the school.

It was great to see a variety of historical skills being taught and how knowledgeable the children were about the time they are studying.

In the Foundation Stage, they were comparing the police from now to then. They could explain many of the similarities and differences, using photographs and role-play to demonstrate these.

Year 4 were debating on whether the Mayans were civilised, comparing peoples' hierarchy in society helped them to decide. It was a delight to hear specific vocabulary being used by the children.



Year 6 studied the differences between primary and secondary sources relating to Mrs Simmons' Grandfather and Miss Tansley's Great Uncle and their role during World War II. The children were thoroughly enthusiastic and enjoyed how real history became.

Pupil voice was very positive about the subject, it is clear that history lessons at Orton Wistow are engaging, interesting and fun to be a part of.

With the introduction of a new learning resource for Key Stage 2, it was evident that the children are enjoying researching and using evidence to answer their key question when they become historians.

FOWS Update

By Sophie Chambers (Chair)

Spring Term events

Below is a list of the events that we will be running over the Spring Term:

Friday 6th March - Bag2School Collection Monday 16th March - Nene Cake Sale Friday 20th March – Quiz Night! Friday 3rd April – Break the Rules Day

School Lottery

Congratulations to Mr Mabbutt on winning £12.90 this week. Please help to boost our weekly jackpot by taking a moment to sign up by visiting <u>www.yourschoollottery.co.uk</u> and search for Orton Wistow Primary School.

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 Collection-Friday 6th March

All children should have bought home a Bag2School collection bag prior to half term, ready for filling and returning to school by Friday 6th March.

A reminder that logo school uniform cannot be placed into the bags however they will accept all other clothing, paired shoes, soft toys, curtains and jewellery.

Quiz Night-Friday 20th March, 7pm onwards

It's time to start gathering your teams ready for our Quiz Night on Friday 20th March. This event was a huge success last year and lots of fun-Mrs Ironside is set to be our Quiz Master once again!

Teams of up to six people may be entered by completing a team booking form and paying the £10 per person prior to Monday 16th March.

The entry fee includes a choice of meal from Fishtastic, details are on the booking forms, which are now available to collect from the school office.

Please note that this event is intended to be an adults only evening, no under 16's please.

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/

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.

FRIENDS OF ORTON WISTOW SCHOOL



£10 entry-includes Fish & Chip supper!

Teams of up to 6 peoplepre booking and payment essential via OWPS school office

Bring your own drinks!

Raffle and games!

Please join our Facebook event for more details https:// www.facebook.com/ friendsofwistowschool

FRIDAY 20TH MARCH @ 7PM FOR 7.30PM START

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

OWPS Where's Wally Team

By Mrs Edwards

HOW CAN YOU: GET FIT, HAVE FUN, ENJOY FAMILY TIME AND SUPPORT READING?

Join the OWPS Where's Wally Team at the National Literacy Trust's Peterborough 5 or 10 KM fun run.

Who: As many members of the OWPS community as possible, suitable for all ages, pushchairs welcome, even bring the dog!

When: Sunday 3rd May 9:30 am

Where: Nene Park Ferry Meadows

Why: Have fun! Get fit! Raise money for books for disadvantaged children in our area AND the biggest team can win 250 new books for their school library!

How: Follow the link below to find out more and get signed up. Remember to join the Orton Wistow Primary School team!

https://literacytrust.org.uk/events/whereswallypeterborough/

The cost to join includes a medal and your very own Where's Wally costume! And there are discounts if you sign up before 5th March.

Please note: On the day <u>all children must attend with an adult</u> and we will arrange to meet together as a team and celebrate our success – SCHOOL WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHILDREN ON THE DAY!

My own family have already signed up and we need company! So please sign up and get training!

Looking forward to a fun day out with you all.

Reading News

By Mrs Tansley

WORLD BOOK DAY THURSDAY 5TH MARCH

We would like to encourage children to make their favourite book character from a potato or wooden spoon, this year rather than dressing up.

We would like to give 2 options for your child to create either:

Potato Characters: children dress up a potato as a character from a book, using fabric, paper, recycling bits and pieces.







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Wooden Story Spoons: Children design a wooden spoon to resemble their favourite book character again using fabric, paper and recycling bits and pieces!



Background and props are encouraged.

We would like children to bring in their creations on March 5th – where voting will take place for the best designs.

Good Luck!

Accelerated Reader

By Mrs Campling

We are slowly getting there with stickering up the books in the library for Accelerated Reader, and the children have shown real initiative, responsibility and patience while this is happening. New stock will hopefully be arriving soon to fill some of the gaps, which I know some of you will be very pleased to hear! Everyone is beginning to get to grips with things now and we are happy to still answer any questions anyone may have.

If there are any parents willing or able to give up even an hour to come in and help with this, please register interest with the office and we will be glad to arrange for this to happen.

National Story Telling Week

By Mrs Campling

February 1st-8th was National Story-Telling Week, so I have been doing a few different things in the library to celebrate it!

On Tuesday the Iguanas class came in to create a soundscape for their very own story. They came up with the setting, characters, and plot, and we then worked as a class adding sounds in to really create the atmosphere! It went something like this (albeit a lot noisier):

Once there was a very windy field, full of farm animals and birds. In the field, a prince and princess were walking. Suddenly they spotted an attack unicorn coming towards them! The prince was deathly afraid of unicorns and let out a small and quiet scream, but the princess was much braver and happened to have a magical sword on her. She waved it in the air and charged at the unicorn, but a huge gust of wind blew it out of her hands! Oh no! The unicorn laughed and ran at the prince and princess, trapping them in a force field for the rest of their days. The End.

I was really impressed with the Iguanas' imaginations and the way they worked as a class to come up with the story, and all the different sounds to put it together!

I've also been running a short competition for children to have a go at writing a story in one paragraph. The story must have at least one character, who faces and overcomes a problem (small, like tying their shoelaces, or big, like saving the world!). This ran until half term and I will be posting the top 3 here shortly.

Coming Up!

This Week: WB: 24th February 2020

Flamingoes Lunch Week Monday Ancient Greek Workshop Year 5 Tuesday Shove Tuesday Lunch – Pre-booked adults only

Author visit from Will Mabbitt am

Wednesday Fabric Workshop – Selected children only Year 5/6 girls Football Tournament – selected children Thursday



Honours Award Assembly 9am

Next Week: WB 2nd March 2020 Monday KS1 Reading Café 2.30pm Year 1 Potato Planting Event East of England Showground Wednesday Fabric Workshop – Selected children only Thursday

World Book Day Friday FOWS Bags2School Collection



In One Week: WB 9th March 2020 Caterpillars Lunch Week

Tuesday Year 5 Assembly Young Leader's Day – Woodston – Selected children Wednesday - Friday Year 3 Burwell Trip Thursday Young Leader's Day – Woodston – Selected children Friday Sports Relief EFL Kids Cup at Cressex Synthetic Sports Pitch Centre from 10-3pm. Selected children only.

In Two Weeks: WB 16th March 2020

Mother's Day 1 Lunch Week Online Safety Week 4 Monday Nene Cake Sale Wednesday Fabric Workshop – Selected children only Friday FOWS Quiz Night 7pm