



## Message from the Deputy Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had an enjoyable weekend, it feels like Spring is in the air and it is lovely to see the new leaves beginning to make an appearance!

On Friday I spoke to the children about 'Choice' in my assembly and shared with them a story of two primary school aged boys who made choices that resulted in them having very different days. We often talk to the children about the choices they have made, trying to help them recognise that there are things that happen we have no control over but how we choose to respond is up to us. This idea links very well with the PRIDE code and seeing children choosing to be polite, respectful and caring for others makes for a very happy Orton Wistow Primary School!

I'm looking forward to taking the Year 5/6 football team to High Wycombe on Friday to play against the other regional winning teams. Representing POSH and Peterborough at this event is a wonderful achievement no matter what happens on the day.

Have a great week everyone.

Colin Marks  
Deputy Head Teacher

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### This Morning's Assembly Theme:

We learnt about the festivals of Purim and Holi which both fall on March 9<sup>th</sup> this year.

## Coming Up

### This Week: WB: 9th March 2020

#### Caterpillars Lunch Week

##### Monday

Giraffes Multi-skills Competition at OBA 1-3pm

##### Tuesday

Year 5 Assembly 9am  
Young Leader's Training Day – Woodston – Selected children 10-3pm

##### Wednesday - Friday

Year 3 Burwell House Residential Trip

##### Thursday

Young Leader's Competition Day Year 1 / 2 – Woodston – Selected children

##### Friday

#### Sports Relief

EFL Kids Cup at Cressex Synthetic Sports Pitch Centre, High Wycombe from 10-3pm. Selected children only.

### Next Week: WB 16th March 2020

#### Mother's Day 1 Lunch Week

#### Online Safety Week 4

#### Year 6 Mock SATS Week

##### Monday

Nene FOWS Cake Sale

##### Wednesday

Fabric Workshop 3.15pm – Selected children only

##### Friday

FOWS Quiz Night 7pm

### In One Week: WB 23rd March 2020

#### Mother's Day 2 Lunch Week

Last week of Internal Clubs

##### Monday

Year 2 Visit to Burghley House

##### Thursday

Year 1 Visit to Madina Mosque 9-12pm

Year 3 - 2 Can Learn 9.10-10.10am

##### Friday

Last day of internal clubs

**P**olite • **R**espect • **I**ndependent • **D**o your best • **E**verybody matters



## Attendance

Last week our Whole School Attendance was: 98.41%

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



PENGUINS  
GIRAFFES  
NIGHTINGALES  
TOUCANS

## Shining Stars



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

**Penguins:** Harvey Tuccillo

**Magpies:** Varshika Kasam

**Elephants:** Isabella Millen

**Iguanas:** Grace Nie-Taylor

**Giraffes:** Elijah Mabbutt

**Caterpillars:** Elliott Ball

**Macaws:** Leo Elliott

**Nightingales:** Lex Ross

**Cobras:** Riley Tumber

**Flamingos:** Joshy Unwin

**Wombats:** Storm Gallagher

**Armadillos:** Ruben Eward

**Sharks:** Ethan Buchanan

**Toucans:** Matilda Warr

## 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: 5.7

Magpies: 6.6

Elephants: 6.4

Iguanas: 4.0

Giraffes: 5.9

Caterpillars: 3.0

Macaws: 4.0

Nightingales: 5.3

Flamingoes: 5.7

Cobras: 4.9

Armadillos: 2.9

Wombats: 5.3

Sharks: 4.8

Toucans: 3.9



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: 290

Iguanas: 317

Giraffes: 440

Caterpillars: 539

Macaws: 254

Nightingales: 299

Cobras: 79

Flamingos: 604 ★

Wombats: 378

Armadillos: 480

Sharks: 545

Toucans: 431



## Dojo Masters

Our Top 3 Dojo scorers were:

KS1: Lucy Francis (30)

LKS2: Alex Francis (27)

UKS2: Leila Riviere (48)



Children in Years 2-6 are challenged to practise their times tables at [www.ttrockstars.com](http://www.ttrockstars.com).

These children are the most improved this week.

**Toucans:** Elsie Allen

**Sharks:** Jack Whittaker-Osborne

**Wombats:** Lucy Measures

**Armadillos:** Gracie Ward

**Cobras:** Millie Johnstone-Neacy

**Flamingos:** Olivia Jones

**Macaws:** Mia Marchbank

**Nightingales:** Lex Ross

## HOUSE POINTS

DEMPSEY  
53

MALLARD  
29

NENE  
71



FENS  
67

## Coronavirus - Advice for parents/carers from the Department for Education

By Mr Eardley

The **Department for Education** is advising parents/carers that they should not be unduly worried about the possibility of children catching the Coronavirus and there is no reason why your child should not attend school as normal. However, following the increase in cases in various parts of the world, including Europe, and the recent half term holidays, the following advice has been provided for all travellers and recent returners.

### Advice for those who have travelled recently

If you have returned from the following specific areas since 19th February, you should call NHS 111 and stay indoors and avoid contact with other people even if you do not have symptoms:

- Iran
- Specific lockdown areas in Northern Italy (see link to maps below)
- Special care zones in South Korea (see link to maps below)
- Hubei province (returned in the past 14 days – see link to maps below)

If you have returned from the following areas since 19th February and develop symptoms, however mild, you should stay indoors at home and avoid contact with other people immediately and call NHS 111:

- Northern Italy (defined by a line above, and not including, Pisa, Florence and Rimini – see link to maps below)
- Vietnam
- Cambodia
- Laos
- Myanmar

If you have a cough, or fever or shortness of breath and have visited any of the following areas in the last 14 days, stay indoors and call NHS 111 informing them of your recent travel:

- China, apart from Hubei province (see link to maps below)
- Thailand
- Japan
- Republic of Korea, apart from special care zones (see link to maps below)
- Hong Kong
- Taiwan
- Singapore
- Malaysia
- Macau

### Maps showing affected regions of China, Republic of Korea and Italy

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas>

### Where to find the latest information

Public Health England blog:

<https://publichealthmatters.blog.gov.uk/2020/01/23/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-what-you-need-to-know/>

We will continue to keep you updated on the government's response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Public Health England advises that the risk to individuals in the UK remains low.

Full details can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

## New Appointment by Mr Eardley



Earlier this term, we placed an advert for a new teacher to join us in September.

We had a strong field of candidates and I am delighted to inform you that we have appointed Mrs Taylor-Scarff.

This may be a name that is familiar to you as she was a trainee teacher in the Giraffes class before half term. We obviously made a big impression on her.

I know that Mrs Taylor-Scarff is over the moon about being appointed. On interview, she told us that no one wanted a job at the school as much as she did! We look forward to her joining our team and to her starting her career at Orton Wistow.

## 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 this Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March for a donation of £1, children can wear their trainers for the day.

Further information to follow.

## Pirate Ship Area by Mr Eardley

Peterborough City Council are responsible for the upkeep and monitoring of the play area. In recent years, they have repaired and replaced equipment that has been damaged or old. Having reviewed the equipment. PCC have decided that it is time to replace some of the bigger items as they are reaching the end of their life.

The items that are going to be replaced are:



They will be replaced with:



I am grateful that at a time of austerity, PCC have decided to invest in updating the play area. I know that the children will enjoy playing on the new equipment. The works are due to be completed in the next 2-4 months.

I will let you know the definite date nearer the time as we may have to use a different gate onto the school site.

## School Nurse by Mrs Nalton

Our School Nurse, Clare Harrington, will be holding a Drop In Session this **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> 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 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.

## Golden Mile by Mr Cowles

Thank you very much to the Year 6 Golden Mile Ambassadors.

The year 5 Ambassadors will now be selected and trained to allow for the Year 6 children to concentrate on their impending tests.





## 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-

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March-Nene Cake Sale  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Quiz Night!  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April – Break the Rules Day

### School Lottery

Congratulations to Mrs Coates on winning £12.60 this week. Please help to boost our weekly jackpot by taking a moment to sign up by visiting [www.yourschoolottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoolottery.co.uk) 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!

### Nene Cake Sale-Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March

Next Monday sees the turn of house Nene to provide the goods for our third cake sale of the year! Cake plates will be coming home with those children this Thursday- thank you to Nene families in anticipation for your support.

Donations should be brought to the school playground on Monday morning please and handed to our volunteers under the canopy.



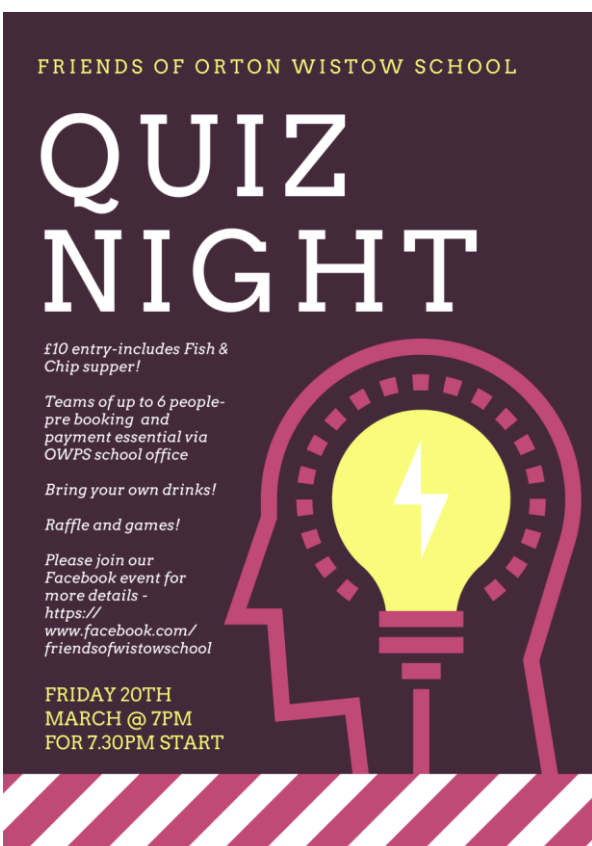
**NENE  
CAKE SALE**

**Date:**  
Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> March

**Time:**  
3.15 pm – 3.30 pm

Plates will be distributed to  
All Nene children on Thursday  
12<sup>th</sup> March

Cakes: 30p/50p  
Whole cakes; as prices



FRIENDS OF ORTON WISTOW SCHOOL

# QUIZ NIGHT

£10 entry- includes Fish & Chip supper!

Teams of up to 6 people- pre 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/friendsofwortonschool>

**FRIDAY 20TH  
MARCH @ 7PM  
FOR 7.30PM START**

### Quiz Night-Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March, 7pm onwards

Where are all of our quiz teams?!

This Friday is the deadline for entries and we really need your help in making this event a success! Teams of up to six people may be entered by completing a team booking form and paying the £10 per person.

Bring your own drinks, alcoholic on non...hot drinks available on the night to purchase. No previous quizzing experience necessary, this is all for fun!

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

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/](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)

## The Book Corner



### WORLD BOOK DAY

On Friday 5th March it was wonderful to see so many children take part in our wooden spoon or potato book character competition, to celebrate World Book Day 2020.

The creativity, original ideas and array of designs that came in were superb and if we were able to award prizes for everyone, we would have done! However, after much deliberation, the favourites from each class have been put on display in our school library and two winners from each Key Stage selected. These children were awarded a book prize in assembly this morning and were as follows:

KS1 - Davi Beltrame & Amaya Hill

LKS2 - Lily Read & Joshua Unwin

UKS2 - Paulo Beltrame & Callum Markley

Congratulations!



## 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> March.

**Please note:** On the day all children must attend with an adult 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.

