

## Wootton St. Peters C of E Primary School

Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built.

Our Vision: Our children become the rocks upon which a better world can be built. We explore the values of perseverance, compassion and courage to open up horizons of hope and aspiration.

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**Upcoming Dates:** 

Monday 4th Mar-Friday 8th Mar- Book Week.

Friday 15th March-Red Nose Day.

Friday 15th March- Opal Class trip to Oxford Castle.

Monday 18th March- Parent conversations 2-6pm.

Thursday 21st March- Parent Conversations 2-6pm.

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar- Moonstone trip to Winchester Science Museum.

Monday 25th Mar- Reception & Year 6 heights and weights.

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Mar-** The Big Sing at Radley- Moonstone and Jade music groups.

Thursday 28th Mar- Easter service at the church 9.30am.

Thursday 28th Mar- Fri 12th Apr- Half term. School finishes at 1.30pm NO ASC.

Monday 15th Apr- School starts back.

Monday 27th May- Friday 31st May- Half term week.

Monday 3rd Jun-Inset day.

Tuesday 4th Jun- School starts back.

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Jun-** Yr 5&6 IMPS trip to The John Radcliffe hospital.

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June-** Orchestra performance at Radley- Jade and Moonstone music groups.

Wednesday 12th June- Yr 3&4 Quad kids 9.00-12.30.

Thursday 13th June- Yr 5&6 Quad kids 9.00-12.30.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July-** Moonstone Residential to Youlbury.

Friday 19th Jul- Summer concert at WADSCC 9.30am.

Tuesday 16th July- Whole school activity day (all day) - P.E kits.

Wednesday 24th July- School finishes 1.30pm- NO ASC.

#### Parents/carers-

Wootton Book Week has been a huge success. Thank you to Ms Le Breton (English lead) and all the teaching staff for making sure your children have had the chance to explore reading for pleasure and further develop their love of reading. Classes have taken part in quizzes, been read to in assemblies, been to the school library, and produced some excellent writing which they shared with each other in their House Teams. The standard of the dragon descriptions, poetry and rocket designs were very high and of course there was dressing up on World Book Day. There was a lovely atmosphere across the school yesterday and the costumes were excellent, special mention to Jo and her

Hungry Caterpillar costume and we even had some nonfiction costumes this year with Alfie coming as the Guinness Book of Records! Well done all.















For book week we asked you to challenge your child (ren) (or your family) to take a photograph of them reading in an unusual place or position... Please send your photos to the school office so that we can display them in the library. The more the better please- Happy Reading ©

## School Library

The children were very excited to look through the new selection of books and have them scanned out to take home. As we have told you before, we are very grateful for the grants we received to buy the books and the donations of books that have helped to stock the library. Children can now take books home from the library however any lost or damaged books will need to be paid for. Some children are

also hoping to be reading ambassadors who will promote reading in school and help look after the library. Application forms are due on Monday. Exciting times ahead!

# Oxford Literary Festival - Saturday 16th March to Sunday 24th March

There are many excellent authors coming to Oxford for the literary festival - here is the link to the children's section. Some highlights include Michael Rosen, Jacqueline Wilson, Phillip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre, Lemony Snicket and Ben Miller

https://oxfordliteraryfestival.org/literatureevents/2024/children+%26+young+people

Clare Balding at Mostly books on 12th March 4pm https://mostly-books.co.uk/event/meet-author-and-broadcaster-clare-balding/

### **Multiplication Tables Check**

Year 4 will be taking the Multiplication Tables Check in June. It would be really helpful if you could encourage your child to practice their times tables as much as possible before then as they have 25 questions to answer and only 6 seconds to answer each question. Ms Le Breton and Dr Mirrington will be stetting times tables test practice on SumDog but here is a link to another practice test website that you can use <a href="https://talkingtimestables.uk/y4">https://talkingtimestables.uk/y4</a> ks2 mtc practice tests multiplication tables check.php

## **Forest Community Art Project**

We took part in this project earlier in the year and we are excited to tell you that the exhibition is now open - details are below:



## Ox Trail

As you know the Ox is now in school but we need more entries for the design competition and name the Ox competition. Children will be taking home the entry forms today so please do encourage your children to create their designs over the weekend and bring them to school on Monday.



**Red Nose Day** 

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March is Red Nose day. This year as a school we will be raising money for 'save the children, by all children coming to school wearing something red. Whether that is an item of clothing, hairbands, bracelets/socks etc. It can be whatever they like as long as it is red ① if you can, please send your child with a £1 donation for this wonderful charity.

## **Netball** Tournament

Yesterday Kieran, Alfie, Emily, Toby, Max, Flick, Devine, Sofia and Julia played in a Netball tournament. They played other local primar

#### Is my child to ill for school?

There are still lots of coughs, colds and tummy bugs doing the rounds at the moment but we still need to try and ensure all children attend school at least 95% of the time. If you are unsure as to whether to send your child to school please follow the information below: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/">https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/</a>

### Free School Meal Holiday Vouchers

Central government has not confirmed the future funding of the Household Support Fund for 2024/25, which provides the budget for free school meal equivalent food support ahead of school holidays.

As you will be aware, this funding has been provided to schools since late 2020, and we have been delivering support to parents in the form of a supermarket voucher or equivalent.

The school budget is unfortunately insufficient to cover this cost without government funding, however we recognise many families in our community are struggling at this time. We hope that the government will continue to support this scheme, but this cannot be guaranteed and we want to communicate this to families at the earliest opportunity. We will share any new information as soon as it becomes available.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us and know if you are facing difficulties.

Best wishes Charles Pitt

#### **The School Shield**



**Little Gems** – Sami for always trying so hard with her learning. Great work Sami ☺

Opal – Jayden for doing so well in his Maths assessment and for retaining so much Maths information. Amazing Jayden ☺

Jade – Shyla for her Fantastic poem in book week. Great Job Shyla ☺

Moonstone – Vanellope for her Amazing book all about space. Fantastic work Vanellope ☺

#### This Week's ask me about??

Little Gems - Snails.

Opal – World Book Day.

Jade- World Book Day.

Moonstone- Paper Mache planets.



Little Gems – Kamilla for trying so hard to halve and double amounts to 10  $\ensuremath{\textcircled{\odot}}$ 

Opal – Emily for her great measuring work on comparing lengths ☺

Jade – Edie for using resources well to support her learning ☺

Moonstone – Kayson for using scale factors to enlarge shapes ☺

Well done to all our wonderful mathematicians this week

#### School attendance-

Little Gems- 88.07%

Opal- 88.97%

Jade- 92.40%

Moonstone- 95.38%