



**LOVE LEARNING, CARE FOR
THE COMMUNITY, BUILD
BRIGHT FUTURES**

Message from Mrs Botley

Dear parents and families,

We are, after Covid, finally able to rekindle our relationship with St Luke's our local church including the resumption of Years 1-6 Carol Service at St Luke's, and annual educational visits to the church for Years 4, 5 and 6 for Harvest, Easter, and Pentecost respectively. Carol Service times and dates are already listed in the newsletter.

We are keen to forge new links, and rekindle old ones, with other local places of worship, so if you have any connections, please do let us know.

Please find below all our dates for upcoming PTA events. Thank you to all involved – and please sign up for a tabletop pitch at our Frost Fair – the more the merrier!

We are very excited to announce our swimming plans for this year – no more walking to and fro south Norwood pool in all weathers. The swimming pool will come to us! <https://www.eliteswimming.co.uk/> More details will follow for our Orchard and KS2 children who will use the provision.

The children (and staff!) look resplendent yesterday in their own clothes as we raise awareness of Children In Need, as they did on Monday in their odd socks to launch the start of Anti-Bullying Week.

This year we cannot wait for winter and all the wonderful seasonal celebrations to come. There is a lot going on so please do check for updates. We are excited to invite Years 1-3 in for our craft afternoons. Please see the posters around the school or speak to a member of staff for further details.

As a result of gaining lots of dojo points for following our Oasis habits I am very happy to announce that Friday, 25th November, is a Firecrest (Red) Colour Day. On this day, as well as their school uniform, every child in Firecrest houses can celebrate by wearing one item of clothing in their house colour to school. This could be a jumper, trousers, skirt, tights, or shoes. Don't forget you can also wear a coloured hair accessory!

We have some very positive and exciting news for the main playground area at the Lower School. Thanks to all of you for supporting us during our fundraising events we are now able to put PTA money towards some good use in our playground. We are excited to announce, that we will be building a new sheltered area on the playground for children to use during their break and lunch times. This means we will have some much-needed shaded area on those hot summer days.



Please check to see which iPad charger your child has been given. The only chargers that must be recalled look like the image below. Please note they have the words 'GadgetStore' printed on them, between the plug's pins.



If your child has this type of iPad charger, please:

Stop using the charger immediately. If the charger is plugged in, please turn off the plug before taking it out of the socket.

Please return the charger in person (the plug only; the cable is not part of the potential fault and can be retained) to either school office, or in an envelope addressed to your child's class teacher, who can then take it to the office as soon as possible so that it can be replaced.



Several staff members attended the first ever Oasis Pupils' Parliament last Monday evening. Thank you to everyone who attended. At the end of the event, Steve Chalke explained that Oasis are planning further People's Parliament events in the coming months. If you'd like to be kept up to date about these, and other information about Oasis' work, events and campaigns, do follow this link to sign up for our newsletter: <https://www.oasisuk.org/contact-us/>



We are happy to announce that our uniform shop will be open on the following dates. Please remember that you do not have to wait until these dates/times. If you would like to have a look or you are in need of something, please email primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org with your requirements and one of the admin team will be in touch.

- Friday 25th November 2022 – 8.30-9.30am
- Friday 13th January 2023 – 2.30 – 3.30pm
- Friday 3rd March 2023 – 2.30 – 3.30pm
- Friday 12th May 2023 – 2.30 – 3.30pm
- Friday 30th June 2023 – 2.30 – 3.30pm



If you were unable to make your donation at school, please see below a link or QR code:

<https://donate.justgiving.com/donation-amount?uri=aHR0cHM6Ly9kb25hdGUtYXBpLmp1c3RnaXZpbmY29tL2FwaS9kb25hdGlvbnMvNzZjZjMxOGM5YjZkNGUyZWZmMmM4NWMyODY5MTI4OTE=>

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Supporting Neurodiversity Within Families

This informal and free video workshop is led by **Dr Joanne Riordan**, Educational Psychologist and Neurodiversity specialist. Joanne explains the term '**neurodiversity**', which is a big, current topic. She then goes on to talk about **practical and neuro-friendly strategies**, to support family routines and your children. This workshop is aimed at parents and carers of children and young people (0-16years) with neuro-developmental conditions (e.g. Autism, ADHD, Developmental Coordination Disorder/dyspraxia), living in Croydon or with children attending Croydon schools.

**You are welcome to attend 10.00-11.30am
or 7.30-9.00pm on 6th February 2023**

How to book:
To book on the morning session, please use the link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/neurodiversity-in-families-registration-443242679787>. To book on the evening session, please use the link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/neurodiversity-in-families-registration-443246220377>. Spaces are limited, and are on a first come basis. This will be hosted on Zoom. Any issues, please contact pa.drjoanne@gmail.com



www.DrJoanne.co.uk



International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
Friday 25th November

A reminder to take part in the **Croydon 21-day challenge** – part of our work with Croydon on being anti-racist in everything we do. The bitesize clips are at the same time incredibly inspiring, challenging and change-making. The challenge is linked to the **Croydon Pledge** that we signed earlier this term. All links are sent via class dojo each day.

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RACE MATTERS
PLEDGE**



**CROYDON
EQUALITIES
PLEDGE**


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Please remember to report your child's absence you can email primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org. *Our phone lines can be very busy between 7:30-9:00am each morning and we apologise in advance if we your miss calls.*

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LOWER SCHOOL, STROUD GREEN
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SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER
10.30-12.30

£10 PITCH - PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN TABLE
AND SHELTER
50P ENTRY

EMAIL LAURAEVRY@OASISSHIRLEYPARK.ORG TO BOOK A PITCH.
PITCHES MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE

Autumn 2: Curriculum Theme - Citizenship and The World

November Oasis Habit: Hopeful

Nursery News

Next week We will be reading the story One Snowy Night by Nick Butterworth, a wonderful story about animals sheltering from the snow inside Percy the Park Keeper's house. In maths, we will be practising number recognition and learning how to show a certain number of fingers to represent a numeral. You can support your child at home by counting everyday objects, and spotting numerals in the environment (for example, on speed signs and number plates).

On Phonic Friday, we will play a new phonic game called **Silly Soup**. Whilst singing our Silly Soup song children will be able to stir our bowl containing objects beginning with the letter 'i'. Once we stop singing the child holding the bowl can take an object out, name and have a go at saying the initial letter sound. We would like to encourage parents to play **I Spy** with their children, and to practise counting at home daily.

Letter sound of the week: 'n' Please practice the initial letter sound of your child's name at home.

We are going on a Bear Hunt: We are excited to announce our first ever local school trip which will be happening on **Tuesday the 24th of November**. We would love for you to join our adventure at Ashburton Park as without your support we cannot do this. If you are able to **volunteer**, please send a message via ClassDojo or an email to let us know that you are interested by **Monday 21st of November**.

Time slots for Ashburton Park Trip:

Morning: 9.45 / 10.45 am

Afternoon: 12.45 / 13.45 pm

Key dates:

Sunday 20th November: World Children's Day

Thursday 24th November: Nursery Trip

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

Tuesday 10th January: PTA AGM – 3.30 at the Middle School

Friday 27th January: Quiz Night at the Middle School

Friday 24th March: Quiz Night at the Middle School

Saturday 20th May: Spring Fair – Middle School Tuesday 20th June – AGM – Re-election meeting

If you need to contact the Nursery, please message us on Class Dojo or via email, by using this email address spa.nursery-stf@oasisshirleypark.org

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kindest regards,

The Nursery Team



Reception News

Next week in Reception we will be learning about different celebrations around the world, thinking about and discussing what different traditions we celebrate in our class. To secure our knowledge, in phonics we will be recapping our sounds and continuing to practice letter formation, segmenting and blending. In maths we will continue to focus on repeating patterns.

Firecrest house will soon be having their first Colour Day of the academic year. Your child's house can be found below.

Key dates:

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Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

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Friday 27th January: Quiz Night at the Middle School

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If you need to contact the reception team, you can do so by sending your child's class teacher a message on ClassDojo or emailing us at- SPA.Reception-STF@oasisshirleypark.org
Have a lovely weekend!



Year 1 News

We have had a lovely week in Year 1 and have been focused on Anti-Bullying Week starting with our Odd Socks Day and a performance on Monday sharing with the children the importance of respect and being considerate. Lastly finishing the week supporting Children in Need

In maths, next week we will be focussing on 3d shapes; naming, sorting, and using them in repeating patterns. English, we will be writing our own narratives in the style of Oliver Jeffers from our story The Way Back Home. Reading, we will be studying The Kiss That Missed by David Melling. Science, we will be learning about the difference between Carnivores, Herbivores and Omnivores. Geography, we will be finding out key facts about the 7 continents of the world. Art we will be recreating a pointillist rainbow in the style of the artist George Seurat.

Please remember to bring reading books and reading records in on Friday and we will change them to be handed out on Monday. We cannot give out a new book without receiving the old book or reading the Reading Record.

Key dates:

Sunday 20th November: World Children's Day

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Tuesday 13th December: Year 1 & 2 Carol Service at St. Luke's Church 9.30-10:00am

Wednesday 14th December: Year 1 Crafts

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

Tuesday 10th January: PTA AGM – 3.30 at the Middle School

Friday 27th January: Quiz Night at the Middle School

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Remember you can contact the Year 1 team on spa.year1-stf@oasisshirleypark.org especially if you want us to show you the bar models for maths!

Have a lovely Weekend,

Year 1 Team



Year 2 News

The year 2 team would like to thank our wonderful pupils for all their brilliant work this week. We are extremely proud of you all. In English, this week pupils we will be introduced to our new book called Meerkat Mail. In maths, we will be reviewing familiar coins and notes as well as understanding their value. In history pupils will learn about the development of railways in India during the Victorian age. In geography we will be identifying famous landmarks as well as human and physical features in India. In science they will learn about how reducing the amount of energy we use has a positive impact on the planet. In PE pupils will be exploring net and wall recall by hitting to a static person. This week in music pupils will be developing the idea of a phrase in conjunction with learning simple body percussion rhythms.

Key Dates:

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Friday 9th December: Christmas Craft Day

Tuesday 13th December: Year 1 & 2 Carol Service at St. Luke's Church 9.30-10:00am

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

Tuesday 10th January: PTA AGM – 3.30 at the Middle School

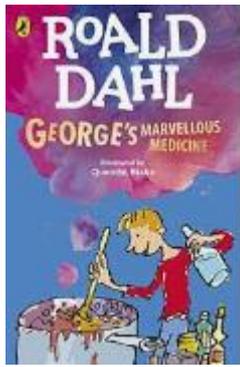
Friday 27th January: Quiz Night at the Middle School

Friday 24th March: Quiz Night at the Middle School

Saturday 20th May: Spring Fair – Middle School Tuesday 20th June – AGM – Re-election meeting

Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards, The Year 2 team.



Year 3 News

We've had another lovely week in Year 3! The children enjoyed wearing their odd socks to school on Monday and were very excited to watch the drama workshop for anti-bullying week. It was also great to see so many children in their own clothes today for Children in Need. We hope they have a restful weekend and enjoy their extra day off school!

Next week, in our writing sessions, we will be using our plans to write our own versions of George's Marvellous Medicine, before taking time to edit our work. In maths, we will be learning how division is the inverse of multiplication, and in science, we will be discovering what a geologist does before learning how to classify rocks based on their properties. In history, we will be learning about the mummification process and understanding why the ancient Egyptians found it so important, and in geography, we will be identifying different settlements in Uganda.

Key Dates

Sunday 20th November: World Children's Day

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Monday 12th December: Year 3 Crafts

Tuesday 13th December: Year 3, 4 and The Orchard Carol Service at St. Luke's Church 10:45-11:30am

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

Tuesday 10th January: PTA AGM – 3.30 at the Middle School

Friday 27th January: Quiz Night at the Middle School

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Have a lovely weekend!

The Year 3 Team

Year 4 News

Wow, what a week! We celebrated Anti-Bullying Week by wearing odd socks on Monday, the kindness production did a drama workshop at the Lower School and much more. Thank you to everyone that attended the bake sale this Thursday and wore their own clothes for children in need – it was great seeing people take part and the children getting excited! Moreover, the children thoroughly enjoyed erupting their volcanoes outside. Lastly, a huge congratulations to Miss Aray on her engagement – we are so happy for you!

PE days:

Laurel & Cypress: Monday and Wednesday

Rowan: Tuesday and Thursday

Please remember that the PE kit expectations are as follows. A plain white t-shirt (with or without logo) for PE, black plain shorts / joggers, and their usual school jumper /cardigan and coat, trainers.

Contact:

If you need to contact the year 4 team, please message us on Class Dojo or via email, by using this email address spa.year4-stf@oasisshirleypark.org

Key dates:

Sunday 20th November: World Children's Day

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Tuesday 13th December: Year 3, 4 and The Orchard Carol Service at St. Luke's Church 10:45-11:30am

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

Tuesday 10th January: PTA AGM – 3.30 at the Middle School

Friday 27th January: Quiz Night at the Middle School

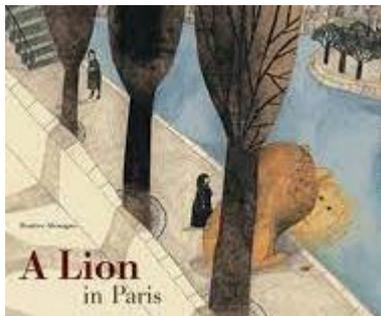
Friday 24th March: Quiz Night at the Middle School

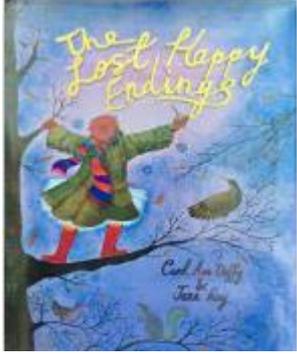
Saturday 20th May: Spring Fair – Middle School Tuesday 20th June – AGM – Re-election meeting

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes

The Year 4 Team





Year 5 News

We hope you have had a great week. In English we will continue to work on our book The Lost Happy Endings and in maths we will continue to work on Multiplication and Division. In our thematic curriculum we will study Belgium, New York and London alongside Early Islamic Civilisations.

PE Dates: Maple Monday and Wednesdays, Lilac Monday and Wednesdays, Alder Tuesday and Thursdays, Hazel Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Key dates:

Sunday 20th November: World Children's Day

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Wednesday 14th December: Year 5 & 6 Carol Service at St. Luke's Church 1.30-2.15pm

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

Tuesday 10th January: PTA AGM – 3.30 at the Middle School

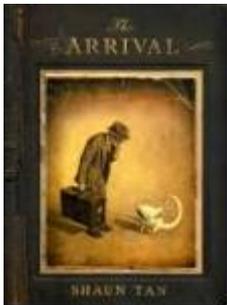
Friday 27th January: Quiz Night at the Middle School

Friday 24th March: Quiz Night at the Middle School

Saturday 20th May: Spring Fair – Middle School Tuesday 20th June – AGM – Re-election meeting

If you need to contact Year 5, please message us on Class Dojo or via email, by using this email address spa.year5-stf@oasisshirleypark.org

Best Wishes,
The Year 5 Team



Year 6 News

We hope you have had a wonderful week! The children are enjoying our new class book, which is a graphic novel called The Arrival by Shaun Tan. In maths, we have been learning about fractions and in the coming week we will be reviewing how to multiply and divide fractions. We will be sending home the progress checks that we did in class last week, so that you can see the expected standard for year 6 moving into year 7. We are very proud of how hard they have been working so far this half term. If you have not already done so, please hand in the form for our Buddhism workshop on the 28th November. Next week Friday (25th November), it will be Firecrest day, in celebration of Firecrest house winning the most dojo points throughout the previous half term. This means that Redwood class can come in wearing an item of red clothing with their school uniform.

PE days:

Beech & Redwood: Monday and Wednesday

Acer & Oak: Tuesday and Thursday

Please remember that the PE kit expectations are as follows. A plain white t-shirt (with or without logo) for PE, black plain shorts / joggers, and their usual school jumper /cardigan and coat, trainers.

Key dates:

Sunday 20th November: World Children's Day

Monday 28th November: Buddhism Workshop

Monday 5th December: Freshwater Theatre workshop

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Wednesday 14th December: Year 5 & 6 Carol Service at St. Luke's Church 1.30-2.15pm

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

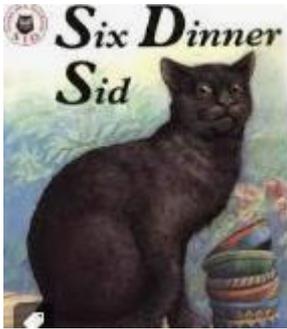
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The Orchard News

This week, the children enjoyed reading the fun book Six Dinner Sid, by Inga Moore. This is a lovely story about a cat named Sid who, on a daily basis, has six different dinners in six different houses without the residents of the houses noticing until one day Sid needs to be taken to the vet. After Sid's visit to the vet, his whole life changes. This story can also be found on YouTube if you would like to revisit it.

In science this week, we have continued the topic of Animals, with the focus on the 5 groups of vertebrate animals. In R.E., we are learning about Christianity and the Ten Commandments. In maths, we are continuing to practise adding and subtracting. In geography, we are continuing to learn about physical and human characteristics across the globe.

In history, we are looking at and learning about events and individuals of the past and are locating them around the world

Next week's book will be There's A Bear On My Chair by Ross Collins. In maths, we will continue looking at addition and subtraction in numbers as well as introducing 2D flat and 3D solid shapes and their properties.

Habits: Hopeful and Joyful

Topic: Citizenship and the World

PE: All groups in The Orchard will now take their PE lesson together on **TUESDAY** morning.

(Olive and Willow to bring PE kit to school, children will then remain in kit for the rest of the day.

Sycamore to come to school ready in their PE kit.)

Key dates:

Sunday 20th November: World Children's Day

Wednesday 23rd November – The Orchard Coffee Morning – more information to follow

Wednesday 7th December: Christmas Lunch #wearyourwinterjumper

Tuesday 13th December: Year 3, 4 and The Orchard Carol Service at St. Luke's Church 10:45-11:30am

Friday 16th December: Last day of Autumn 2 -normal finish time.

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Should you need to contact us you can contact the Inclusion Team by email through

SPA.Inclusion.STF@oasisshirleypark.org

Have a great weekend!

Best Wishes

The Orchard Team