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### Message from Mrs Botley, Principal, Lower and Middle School

Dear Parent and Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you all well.



A huge thank you to Shanay for representing the school so wonderfully at the memorial service that took place on Sunday in Croydon for the Queen. Teachers were asked at short notice to nominate students that showed a particular interest or awareness about the death of Queen Elizabeth II for me to then choose a representative. We had lots of nominations, so well done to Shanay for doing an amazing job and for representing us so well. She has made us and the school community very proud.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a lovely weekend.

Kind regards  
Mrs B

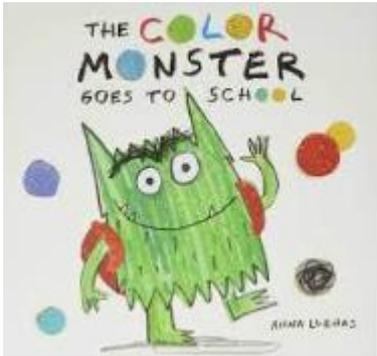


Please remember that on Thursday 29th September, we will be holding our Opening Evening for our 2023 year 7 in take at the upper school. Mr Chaudhri the principal will be doing his speech at 7pm, so please do tell your friends and family to come along if they have children in year 5 or 6. If you would like to reserve a spot then please do click on the link below:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/oasis-academy-shirley-park-secondary-open-evening-tickets-418231761457>

#### **Message from our Admin Team**

Please remember to report your child's absence you can email either of the following inboxes [primaryattendance@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:primaryattendance@oasisshirleypark.org) or [primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org). ***Our phone lines can be very busy between 7:30-9:00am each morning and we apologise in advance if we miss your calls.***

## Autumn 1: Curriculum Theme - Who am I, and who am I Becoming?



### Nursery News

Next week, we will read the story, My Hair by Hannah Lee. This simple and fun book will excite our little friends as they follow the little girl's journey to the hairdressers to decide which hairstyle, she will choose for her birthday celebration. I wonder what hairstyle your child would like.

In Maths, we shall continue counting to ten using our fingers and our number caterpillar. We will also talk about different shapes that we can see in the nursery environment.

Although we practise our phonic sounds each day during free flow, Fridays will become Phonics Friday when we learn our alphabet rap, play sound discrimination games, and focus on forming the letters in our names.

We would like to encourage you to play "I Spy" with your children and to practise counting at home.

Please do not forget to sign up to our Class Dojo using the code that has been given to you.

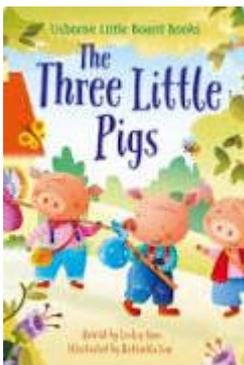
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Kindest regards  
The Nursery Team



### Reception News

We have enjoyed hearing about the children's favourite things!

Next week in phonics we will be focussing on the sounds- t, i, n and p. In maths we will be looking at numbers up to 15. Our focus story will be The Three Little Pigs and we will be thinking about and discussing homes in our community and looking at homes from around the world. Over the weekend, please spend some time with your child looking at and speaking about the different types of homes in your local community.

As we are approaching more wet and windy weather, please ensure that all children are coming into school with a coat. We love to explore our outside learning area whatever the weather!

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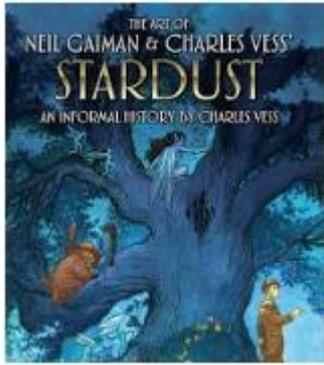
If you need to contact the reception team, you can do so by sending your child's class teacher a message on ClassDojo or emailing us at- [SPA.Reception-STF@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:SPA.Reception-STF@oasisshirleypark.org)

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## Year 1 News

We have had another fantastic week in year 1. The children are really working hard to show all of their Oasis habits.

In English, our work around the book Stardust continues. We will be collecting adjectives and introducing onomatopoeia e.g. 'BANG/CRASH'. In Maths, we will be comparing numbers and working on 1:1 correspondence.



1:1 correspondence means becoming aware of what 7 of something looks like, of what 9 of something looks like etc.

For History, we will be looking at toys through time and creating our own toy history timeline. We will be working hard to create a piece of art influenced by Oasis Global South Africa. In RE, we are exploring what Christians believe and identifying what difference belonging to a community or faith might make.

Homework passports – Children can complete on paper or on their iPads and take a photo. Alternatively, if they still have their homework book from reception they can continue to use this book. Reading books -These will be going home on a Monday to be returned by Friday with a comment in the reading record. Spellings - These will be sent home on a Monday via class dojo to practise throughout the week.

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The Year 1 Team



## Year 2 News

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week in English we will be reading Leaf and planning our own narrative based upon the creatures we have created. In maths, we will be further enhancing our value for numbers skills. In history, pupils will be exploring the ideas of significance in relation to places locally. This week in geography pupils will be discovering key facts about India. In science pupils will be comparing life cycles. In music pupils will be exploring other people's preferences in music. In art, pupils will be experimenting and recording a range of experiences with different media. Our PE sessions this week focus on fitness and object control.

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The Year 2 Team

## Year 3 News

It's been a short, but lovely week in Year 3! The children have enjoyed learning about the history of Croydon and were excited to read more of our class story. Next week, in our writing lessons, we will be starting to plan our own narrative based on our book, Jemmy Button. In maths, we will be comparing numbers to 1000, and in science, we will be learning how joints and muscles allow humans and animals to move. In our history lesson, we will be focussing on the history of Addiscombe, and in geography, we will be exploring the physical and human features of our local area.

We would like to remind you that your child should be coming to school with their iPad every day, and that it must have enough battery life to be used across the school day. The children should also bring in their library book daily as we read regularly in class. Thank you for your continued support.

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The Year 3 Team

## Year 4 News

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have had a lovely week. It has been another great week of learning for Year 4. Over the next week, we will be continuing to learn about place value in maths whilst continuing to read and write about our book, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. The children will continue to learn about Hinduism in RE and shading in art.

**PE days:**

*Laurel & Cypress:* Monday and Wednesday

*Rowan:* Tuesday and Thursday

**Key dates:**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September:** Year 4 Welcome Parent Meeting 3:30-4:30

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October:** INSET Day. School closed for pupils.

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**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](mailto:spa.year4-stf@oasisshirleypark.org)

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes

The Year 4 Team

## Year 5 News

This week, the year five team have put the **Parent Workshop** slides onto Class Dojo. The homework passport and parent plans are available through the school website, with the homework passport needing to be handed in on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2022. In Maths, we will continue with place value before moving on to number work with addition and subtraction. We will continue to be working, in English, we are really enjoying The Boy at the Back of the Class, and in science, the life cycle of plants. Continuing our theme of Who are We? Who are we becoming? we will explore early civilisations, Belgium and Frida Kahlo. In RE, we will be learning

about Sikh beliefs. In our PE sessions we are practising gymnastics and rugby. Our language of the year for MFL is Spanish.

Hazel Parents, please note, Mr. Newble will not be in school for the next 3 weeks as part of his professional development. Rest assured, in this time, the very experienced and capable Ms Hitchins will be teaching Hazel Class.

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

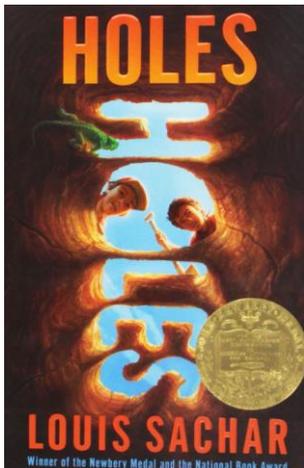
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The Year 5 Team



## Year 6 News

The children have now settled themselves into Year 6 life and we have had an exciting week immersing ourselves in our new curriculum. The children have been excited by their learning and produced some excellent work.

We are also excited to announce that Mr Chaudhri, Principal of the Upper School, will also be visiting year 6 next Wednesday, ahead of the Open Evening on Thursday.

Key dates: 29<sup>th</sup> September 6:30-800pm Open evening at the Upper School.

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Kind regards The Year 6 Team



## The Orchard News

Our focus book this week was Aliens Love Underpants. The children loved exploring this story, including literacy and maths activities. We also designed an alien and learned about the solar system. In RE, we carried on with the topic 'Who am I and who

am I becoming', to understand that everyone is unique, and started to explore what Christians believe. In PSHE, we talked about different emotions.

Next week's book will be Mr Magnolia, by Quentin Blake. In Maths, we will continue to cover the concepts of place value, adding and subtraction.

**Oasis Habit:** September focuses on 'Who am I?'

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

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:**

**October 7** – The Orchard Parents Welcome Meeting (3.30-4.30) – To come and visit The Orchard environment and classrooms.

**October 14** – INSET Day. School closed for pupils.

**October 21** – Last day of Autumn 1

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

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The Orchard Team

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