

NEWSLETTER 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Habit:  
Curriculum Theme:

Hopeful  
Citizenship

## A Message from our Principal: Ms Evry



Dear families,

It has been another busy week at Shirley Park Primary. It has been great to see the learning happening in all lessons. I was particularly impressed by the Year 4 brochures they have been writing and the Spanish lessons in Year 6. I certainly need to brush up on my Spanish as their knowledge far outweighed mine. It has also been great to hear the facts about parliament as it has been Parliament Week. This has linked nicely with our lighthouse of this half term, Sarah Jones, who is Croydon's MP. We are excited about the opportunity later on in the year to meet her in person.

Looking forward to seeing all the odd socks on Monday and the colourful clothes on Friday. Please see further information below.

Hope you all have a restful weekend,  
Ms Evry



**Happy Diwali to all our Families in the community that Celebrate it!**

### Weekly Updates

#### *Office News*

To report your child's absence/lateness or if you have a general enquiry, please email [primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org). We find that this is a quicker and more efficient way to get through to us especially during our busy periods.



This week we celebrate Anti Bullying week with Odd Socks day on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November. No Payment is necessary.

## Festive Dinner



We are delighted to share with you that our Festive Dinner will be on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Children are able to wear their own clothes on this day. It will be lovely to see them in a festive jumper.



We are happy to share that on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we will be raising funds for BBC Children in Need. We would like the children to wear either pjs, onesie, something spotty or colourful clothing on this day and to make a contribution of £1.



### Free Clothing:

We have lots of coats, sweatshirts, and cardigans. These items are in the Middle school in the foyer, please do come along and help yourself. If you would like to book an appointment to come during the day, please email Miss Saundercock at [primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:primaryadmin@oasisshirleypark.org).

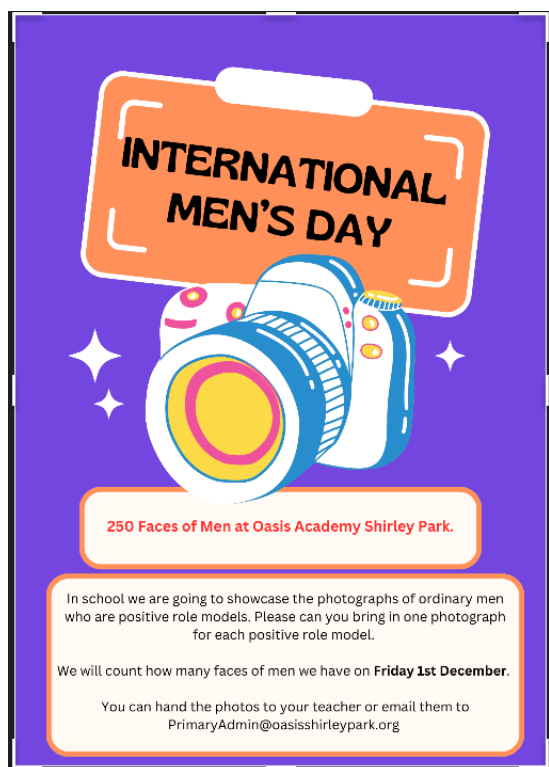
## Attendance Winners



Each week we have a prize draw for children who have had 100% attendance for the week.

This week's winners are Michaela – Sycamore Class, Elison – Cherry Class, Malachi – Damson Class, Nicaya – Elm Class, Kibati – Chestnut Class, Alyssa – Laurel Class, Iffet – Maple Class and Kenia – Redwood Class.

**The next week's winner could be you!**



For International Men's Day on 19<sup>th</sup> November, the theme is **"Making A Difference for Men and Boys"**. We will be challenging the children to collect 250 photos of men that inspire, make a difference to, and make them proud to be them. These photos should be of positive male role models that they personally know. We will also be sending home a slip with children next week to ask adults for advice they would give to boys at our school. Children can hand their slips into their children or sent into [PrimaryAdmin@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:PrimaryAdmin@oasisshirleypark.org).



We are asking for all parents to check their eligibility for Free School Meal entitlement. We would like to let you know that if you are eligible, you could receive a free breakfast club space and some of our trips are also discounted to you. Paste the link into your browser and check, it only takes 2 minutes.

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict>

### **Important Information - Nursery, Lower and Middle School Breakfast Club Bookings**

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club, it is important that you book a place on MCAS **before** the day you want them to attend. Breakfast Club is now full most days and if your child arrives on the day without a booking, you will be turned away.

For safety reasons and staff: child ratio we only have space for a certain number of children each day.

Please complete this contract before your child attends for the first time (<https://forms.office.com/e/rhpp75Dwkf> )

### **Local Flu Clinics**

Please note that due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to cancel two of our walk-in flu clinics on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> of November 2023 & Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

The local Croydon team are running two other walk-in clinics at 12-18 Lennard Road, Croydon CR9 2RS on: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> of November & Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> of November between 9.00am & 3.45pm

No appointment is necessary





## Nursery News

We have had a great week at Nursery. The children have enjoyed learning about farms, the animals live on a farm and singing the nursery rhymes 'Old McDonald had a Farm' 'Five Little Ducks' and 'Dingle Dangle Scarecrow'.

**Next Week:** Our focus story will be 'We are Going on a Leaf Hunt' by Steve Metzger. With this seasonal story, we will continue to discuss about the Seasons and the changes in nature around us. In maths, we will explore more about repeated patterns and how to make repetitive patterns by using natural objects such as conkers, pinecones, leaves, sticks and acorns.

We would like to encourage parents to play 'listening walk' and 'I spy' with their children to support their listening skills and play counting games at home.

**Ashburton Park Autumn Visit:** We are excited to announce that our first ever local trip Ashburton Park walk will take place on Tuesday 21st of November. We believe that taking the children on outings helps them to learn about safety and the natural environment. If you would like to volunteer to support us on this trip, please send us a message via ClassDojo or an email to let us know that you are interested by Friday the 10th of November. Thank you!

### Key dates:

**13<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Odd Sock Day

**Sat 18<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Early Years Discovery Day

**Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Nov:** Ashburton Park visit (TBC)

**Thu 14<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Nursery Christmas Singalong (TBC)

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Deadline for Autumn Term Homework Passports

**Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov:** International Men's Day

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If you would like to contribute to our 50p fund, please place your contribution in the yellow box or hand it over to any of the members of Nursery team. Please ensure that all items of clothing and water bottles are labelled, this will support the staff to ensure nothing is lost or given to the wrong child. This is especially important at the beginning of a school year. If you need to contact the Nursery, please message us via email the address below: [spa.nursery-stf@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:spa.nursery-stf@oasisshirleypark.org)



## Reception News

Next week our focus story in Literacy will be Stickman, we will be discussing what happens in the story, describing the characters and thinking about what might happen next. If you would like to volunteer to help with our trip to the woods, please Dojo the class teacher.

In topic we will be continuing to develop our fine motor skills, focusing on using different sized tools to paint with.

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!

Please find your child's P.E day below. Children can come to school already dressed in their P.E kit on their P.E day.

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**Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Reception Nativity 9am

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If you need to contact the reception team, you can do so by emailing us at- [SPA.Reception-STF@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:SPA.Reception-STF@oasisshirleypark.org)

Have a wonderful weekend

## Year 1



It's been a lovely week in Year 1! The children have enjoyed taking part in a variety of lessons and have completed some excellent work. We would like to remind you that next Monday 13th, the children are invited to come to school wearing odd socks for Odd Sock Day. It is a day when schools, workplaces, and individuals join together to show that it's okay to be different and to stand up against bullying and discrimination. On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, we will also be raising money for 'Children in Need' by asking the children to come to school in either their pyjamas, a onesie, something spotty or bright, colourful clothing along with a donation of £1. We can't wait to see the children's outfits!

Next week, in our English lessons, we will begin planning our letters from the perspective of the main character in our book 'The Way Back Home'. In maths, we will be continuing to learn different methods for subtraction, and in science, we will be learning more about fish, amphibians and reptiles. For our geography lesson, we will be learning about the capital cities of the countries in the UK, and in DT, we will be designing our Christmas/winter badges.

### Year 1 PE Days

Apricot Class: Monday and Wednesday

Damson Class: Tuesday and Friday

Mulberry Class: Thursday and Friday.

Please could the children come to school in their P.E kits on those days.

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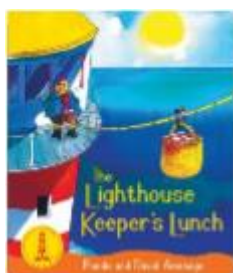
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## Year 2

We would like to thank our fabulous pupils for another excellent week. It has been wonderful watching our pupils celebrating their achievements together. Next week in English pupils will be planning their own letter based upon the book we are reading in class. In maths, pupils will be adding and subtracting two, two-digit numbers. In music pupils will be learning songs from around the world. During RE pupils will be understanding how Abraham taught Jews to live better lives. In geography pupils will be identifying information related to the seven continents of the world. In history pupils will be learning about the growth of the British railway. In science pupils will be learning about what recycling is, why it is important and how we can do it. During our PE sessions pupils will be collaborating with a partner and practicing hitting a ball through the air with a tennis racket.

**PE:** Ash/Holly Tuesday and Thursday

Elm/Cedar Monday and Wednesday

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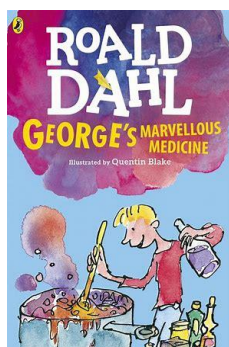
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## Year 3

We've had a brilliant week in Year 3! The children have really enjoyed their new history topic on the ancient Egyptians, and they had lots of fun creating a new medicine for George's grandma in our writing session! Next week is antibullying week and on Monday we will be taking part in Odd Sock Day. We would love to see the children coming to school in their odd socks!

Next week, in our writing sessions, we will be planning our narratives as we prepare to rewrite the story of George's Marvellous Medicine. In maths, we will be beginning a new unit on multiplication, and in science, we will be learning how fossils are formed. In history, we will be learning the cultural changes that occurred during the Egyptian period using historical evidence, and in geography, we will be learning about rural and urban areas before identifying the different types of homes people live in.

**PE days:** Please ensure your child is dressed in the correct P.E. uniform in line with our school's policy on their P.E. days.

**Chestnut:** Monday & Wednesday

**Hawthorn:** Tuesday & Thursday

**Pine:** Monday & Thursday

**Birch:** Tuesday & Wednesday

**Lunches:** We are a nut free school; therefore, we ask that anything that may contain nuts is not included in their fruit snack or pack lunch. Thank you in advance.

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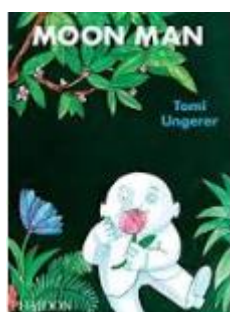
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## Year 4

The children have had a nice and settled week. Their learning is really progressing.

In English, we will be starting our new book, 'Moon Man' by Tom Ungerer. We will be writing our own version of the story changing key features. In Maths, we will continue learning how to multiply and divide, learning different ways to do this, and applying strategies learnt to problem solving. Previous messages from last week include, in preparation for the Year 4 multiplication tests in May, please encourage your child to learn their times table daily. We have given the children a login for [Times tables games - Learn them all here!](#) Please encourage them to use this site to learn their times table.

**PE**

Please ensure that the children come into school with the correct kit. PE kit is: *Black shorts or joggers; Plain white t-shirt; Purple school jumper; Plain white t-shirt; trainers*

**PE Days:**

Laurel Class-Monday and Tuesday

Cypress Class- Wednesday and Thursday

Rowan Class-Tuesday and Thursday

Hazel Class-Monday and Wednesday

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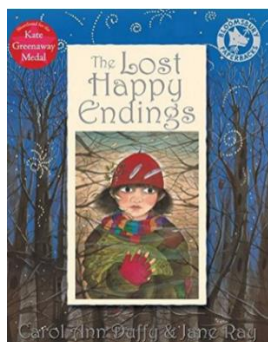
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## Year 5

Year 5 has had a yet another fabulous week. We have continued reading the book called 'The Lost Happy Endings' by Carol Ann Duffy in writing and the children have come up with wonderful descriptive adjectives to describe the witch within the story. In Maths we have continued investigating multiples and factors of numbers using our multiplication knowledge to help us. In science we are now looking closely at the rocky and gassy planets in our solar system. In RE we have been learning about the 10 Guru's in Sikhism and in Geography we have been looking closely at the map of London and it's historical landmarks.

**The PE lessons for each class are as follows:**

Alder class - Mondays (indoor) and Thursdays (outdoor)

Lilac class – Tuesdays (outdoor) and Thursdays (indoor)

Maple class - Wednesdays (outdoor) and Fridays (indoor)

**REMINDERS:**

PE kit should be a plain white t-shirt, black joggers or shorts and school sweatshirt.

iPad's need to be 100% charged and ready for learning every day.

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## Year 6

Year 6 have been working so hard on practice SATs tests this week and their hard work is already beginning to pay off. They have been able to show off their improved scores and should be really proud of themselves. Next week, we will continue reading *The Arrival* and planning a narrative based on part of the story. In maths, we are going to be learning how to multiply and divide with fractions. Next week is also the start of anti-bullying week and Monday is **Odd Sock Day** which we are excited about. Children by now will be bringing home weekly homework which needs to be completed and ready to go through in class. If you have any questions about this, please contact the class teacher.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

We have seen a good improvement in school uniforms and PE kits, but please can you continue to ensure that children are following the rules for these.

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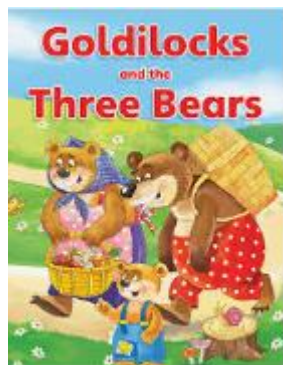
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## The Orchard

This week, we have been reading another traditional tale, the story of **Goldilocks and the Three Bears**. The children enjoyed working on this story, writing, talking about it, acting out the characters with stick puppets and some of the children even used the different voices for retelling the story. In maths, we are focusing on addition and subtraction and talking about size in relation to the story. During PSHE lessons, we have been learning about British Values and in science, we have been learning about the welfare of the Earth and how we can keep it safe.

Please can you send in any recycling materials for junk modelling.

Next week's book of the week will be **Little Red Riding Hood**.



**Theme:** Citizenship and the world

### PE lessons:

Willow – Monday

Sycamore - Wednesday

Olive – Thursday

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**Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Odd Sock Day

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**Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec:** Christmas Fair at St. Lukes

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Coffee Morning in the Orchard

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