



Who am I and who and who am I becoming

Please can we remind you that members of **staff are no longer able to countersign passports**. Please do not ask to avoid disappointment.

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

Best Wishes

Ms Sinclair, Mrs Clark, Ms Saundercock, Miss Whitman and Miss Lyle.

The Admin Team

Happy Hat Day



Croydon Stands Tall



Open Evening Oasis Shirley Park Upper School



National Mental Health

Tuesday 10th October

Happy Hat day is a wonderful way to pull together and show everyone that Mental health can be talked about safely in our schools. All we ask is that you donate £1 and to wear a hat for the day. All funds will go towards mental health work supporting families and young people.

We are excited to share some wonderful news with you all! Our beloved giraffe "Oana," from Oasis Academy Shirley Park is part of the Croydon Stands Tall 2023 project. "Oana" was decorated with the active involvement of our students from Lower, Middle, Upper Schools and Sixth Form students, our giraffe is now on display at the House of Fraser department store in Croydon town centre! In addition "Oakley", the giraffe decorated by Oasis Academy Arena and Oasis Academy Ryelands, is close by in Marks and Spencer's.

Croydon Stands Tall 2023 is an incredible Wild in Art event in collaboration with Croydon BID, creating a magnificent public art trail that will adorn our city for a full 10 weeks. Oakley's presence in this project is a testament to the creativity and artistic talent of our students and staff.

To experience this unique art installation and explore the entire trail, we invite you to visit Marks and Spencer's in Croydon town centre. The trail will be running until 27th October 2023, giving you plenty of time to plan a family outing and discover all the incredible giraffe sculptures throughout the town.

For more information about the Croydon Stands Tall 2023 project, see the trail map and to download the app for the trail, please visit their website at www.croydonstandstall.co.uk/art-trail. We encourage all our families to participate in this exciting event, not only to support our schools but also to celebrate the vibrant arts community in Croydon.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and we hope you enjoy exploring the art trail with your family.

The open evening for our secondary school is Thursday 21st September at 6pm. Don't forget your child is automatically reserved a place as they are already a part of our school. Come and have a look around and find out more about all the wonderful things we have to offer! We look forward to seeing you there.

Enrichment at the Primary

Our Enrichment (after school) clubs returned this week, and we were excited to have the children attend them. Please see below the start and end times of the clubs:

Lower School

Wellbeing club – Tuesday 3.25pm to 3.50pm

Film club - Tuesday 3.25pm to 3.50pm

Games club - Thursday 3.25pm to 3.50pm

Middle school

Water colouring club – Tuesday 3.25pm to 3.50pm

Art and DT club – Wednesday 3.30pm to 4.30pm

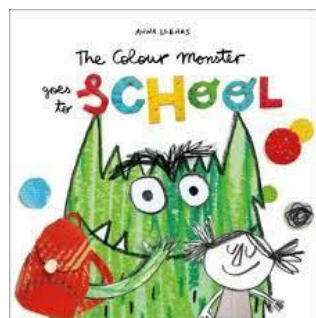
Board games club - Wednesday 3.30pm to 4.30pm

Chess Club - Thursday 3.25pm to 3.50pm

Knitting and Sewing Club – Thursday 3.25pm to 3.50pm

Netball Club - Thursday 3.25pm to 3.50pm

Quiz Club - Friday 3.25pm to 3.50pm



Nursery News

The children have settled incredibly well, we are very proud of all of them. Children have been very brave, and some have persevered when missing home. They are becoming more familiar with their new environment; beginning to get familiar with their peers and key adults in the classroom and they have enjoyed taking part in a variety of fun activities. Well done Little Acorns!

Next week we will continue to focus on settling the children in and supporting them with the school routine. Our topic for Autumn term 1 'All about me'. In literacy we will listen to the wonderful story 'The Colour Monster' and 'The Colour Monster Goes to School'. This will encourage children to recognise and talk about their feelings. Just like our friend Colour Monster, who's all mixed up and very confused. He doesn't know why. His emotions are all over the place: he feels angry, happy, calm, sad and scared all at once.

During our Numeracy, we shall focus on our numbers and patterns. We will do this by singing number songs, playing counting games and using our number acorns to help us begin to recognise individual numbers such as one to five.

Any other notices:

Who am I? We would like to display your family photo in our home corner to create a class display of 'All About Me!'. If you are happy to share your family photo and it be displayed in our classroom, please send this via email the address below;

SPA.Nursery-STF@oasisshirleypark.org

ClassDojo: Join our class! This year, we'll be using ClassDojo to share fun moments from the classroom and keep you up-to date with info and events. Please check for an invitation email from ClassDojo or if you have received your printout invitation from us, follow the instructions to sign in. See you on the ClassDojo app!

50p contribution: We would like to invite you to support our 50p contribution club. This collection enables us to provide lots of extra resources for our children for example, play dough ingredients, cereal, cooking ingredients and things such as rice, pasta or shaving foam for the sensory play area and celebrations.

Key dates:

Tues 3rd Oct: Early Years (Nur and Rec) Parent Welcome Meeting 3.30-4.30

Tues 10th Oct: Happy Hat Day for World Mental Health

Fri 13th Oct: Oasis Trust INSET Day (**TBC**) Academy closed to all students

Tuesday 17th October: Individual Photos (Lower School)

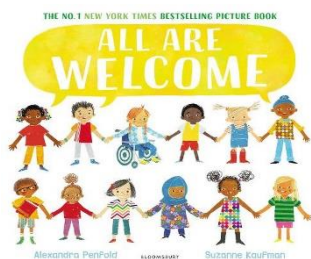
Friday 20th October: Last day of Autumn Term 1, Normal finish time across all phases

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



Reception News

We hope you and your child have enjoyed their first full week at school. The children have settled well, and we are already seeing wonderful progress as they get used to school routines. This week we began our theme, 'All About Me', next week we will be continuing this theme, thinking about our feelings and our favourite things. We will also be introducing The Zones of Regulation; an intervention used to help children to manage emotions. In Numeracy we will be focusing on numbers 1 and 2 focusing on what the numerals look like, how to form them and how to make them. We will also begin to focus on 2D shapes, this week looking at circles.

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Key Dates:

Tues 3rd Oct: Reception Parent Workshop 3:30pm-4:30pm
 Tues 10th Oct: Happy Hat Day for World Mental Health
 Fri 13th Oct: Inset Day (school closed to all pupils)
 Mon 16th Oct: Individual Photos (Middle School)
 Tues 17th Oct: Individual Photos (Lower School)
 Tues 17th Oct: Parent's Evening (3:30pm-6:30pm)
 Weds 18th Oct: Parent's Evening (3:30pm-6:30pm)
 Fri 20th Oct: Last day of half term (Normal finish time)

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

Have a wonderful weekend

Year 1

We've had a brilliant week in Year 1! The children have continued to settle into their new routines well and have produced some excellent work. We are very proud of them all! Next week, in our English lessons, we will be writing sentences with adjectives and adverbs to describe the appearance and emotions of the main character in our story 'Stardust'. In maths, we will continue to count on and back in ones before learning how to recognise numbers as words, and in geography, we will be describing the places we live in and looking at how to write an address. In our history lesson, we will be using the words 'older' and 'newer' to describe people and objects from different time periods, and in music, we will be exploring why people might like different types of music.

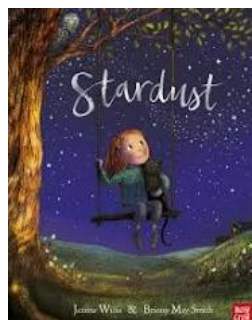
Year 1 PE Days

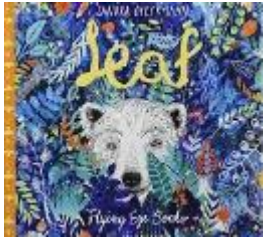
Apricot Class: Monday and Wednesday
 Damson Class: Tuesday and Friday
 Mulberry Class: Thursday and Friday.
 Please could the children come to school in their P.E kits on those days.

Key Dates:

21st September: Year 1 Parents Welcome Meeting (3.30pm-4:30pm)
 10th October: Happy Hat Day for World Mental Health
 13th October: Oasis Inset Day – School closed for all children.
 17th October: Individual Photos (Lower School)
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Have a lovely weekend!



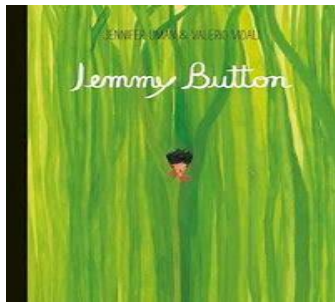


Year 2

The year 2 team would like to say a massive thank you to all our fabulous pupils for having another fabulous week. Next week in English pupils will be exploring and describing how the other creatures interact with the main character. Pupils will be writing described sentences about how the character feels and responds to the way he is treated. In maths, we will be further enhancing our place value skills. In history, pupils will be learning about the history of our academy. This week in geography pupils will be studying a range of physical and human features. In Science pupils will be learning about animals, including humans, have offspring which grow into adults in music pupils will be exploring other people's preferences genre. In art, pupils will be learning about tone and texture. Our PE sessions this week focus on fitness and object control.

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Year 3

We have had a lovely week in Year 3! The children have continued to settle back into the school routines and have worked incredibly hard in all their learning. Next week, in our English lessons, we will be reading more of our new book, Jemmy Button. The children will be using onomatopoeia to describe the sounds our main character may have heard on his journey across the ocean. In maths, we will be partitioning numbers to 1000, and in science, we will be sorting animals into groups according to the type of skeleton they have. In our history lesson, we will be discovering how Croydon has changed over time, and in geography, we will be exploring the physical and human features of our local area. Homework will be sent out every Friday and we would like for it to be returned the following week.

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

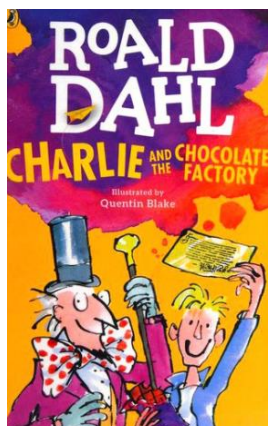
Pine: Monday & Thursday

Birch: Tuesday & Wednesday

Key dates:

Thurs 28th Sept: Y3 Welcome Parent Mtg, 3:30- 4:30pm
 Mon 16th Oct: Individual Photos (Middle School)
 Tues 17th Oct: Individual Photos (Lower School)
 Tues 17th Oct: Parent's Evening (3:30pm-6:30pm)
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Year 4

I hope you have had a good week. The children have had a lovely week starting their learning. We can already see the progress.

In English, we will continue to read Charlie and the chocolate factory and the children will write a setting description about chocolate land. In Maths, we will continue looking at Place Value, focusing on partitioning numbers and continuing addition and subtraction. In preparation for the Year 4 tests in the spring term, please encourage your child to go on TT rockstars and learn their times table weekly. We are in the process of planning a trip to take a walk around the local area on the final week of this term. The day and time to be confirmed but if you are interested in helping, please contact your child's class teacher.

Please note, we have the Year 4 basic skills meeting from 3.30-4.30 in the Middle School in Laurel Class. This will happen on Tuesday 26th September. Families are more than welcome to attend.

For PE-please ensure that the children come into school with the correct kit. The correct PE kit is the following: *Black shorts or joggers; Plain white t-shirt; Purple school jumper; Plain white t-shirt; Trainers* PE Days are the following days for each class:

Laurel Class-Monday and Tuesday

Cypress Class- Wednesday and Thursday

Rowan Class-Tuesday and Thursday

Hazel Class-Monday and Wednesday

We hope you have a restful weekend.

Key Dates:

Tues 26th Sept: Year 4 Basic Skills Meeting 3.30-4.30 in Laurel Class

Tues 10th Oct: Happy Hat Day for World Mental Health

Fri 13th Oct: Inset Day (school closed to all pupils)

Mon 16th Oct: Individual Photos (Middle School)

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Tues 17th Oct: Parent's Evening (3:30pm-6:30pm)

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Year 5

We hope you and your families have had a lovely first full week back at school. It was lovely to see many of you at our welcome meeting. This week has seen us continue to settle the children back in to routines and discussing expectations. In writing we have begun reading 'The boy at the back of the class' the children are enjoying sharing this book and it's lovely to see the children so engaged in their reading and writing. In Maths we will be continuing with Place value and in Art we are learning to draw landscapes with a foreground, middle ground, and background.

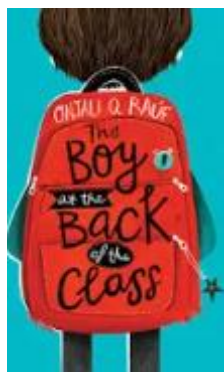
The PE lessons for each class are as follows:

Alder class -Indoor on Mondays and outdoor on Thursdays

Lilac class - Outdoor on Tuesdays and indoor on Thursdays

Maple class - Outdoor on Wednesdays and indoor on Fridays

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



We hope you have a wonderful weekend,

Key dates:

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Fri 13th Oct: Inset Day (school closed to all pupils)

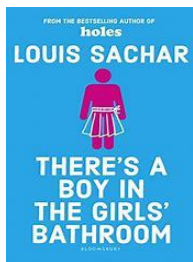
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Year 6

It has been wonderful to welcome all your children back into school after the summer holidays, they have all settled well into year 6.

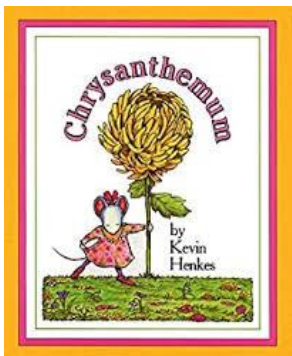
This week the children have taken part in assessments. The purpose of this is just so that we can see where the children currently are, what they need to work on and carefully track the progress they make. We are excited to share our learning for next week. In English we shall be starting our new book 'There's a Boy in the Girl's Bathroom' by Louis Sachar and writing a character description. In Maths we will be comparing and ordering numbers up to 10 000 000. In Science we will continue to learn about the circulatory system. PE this term is Basketball. In addition to this our theme for this term 'This will be the topic of all foundation subjects including History, Geography, Art, RE and PSHE.

Key dates:

Mon 9th Oct: Y6 Heights & Weights Check
 Tues 10th Oct: Y6 Heights & Weights Check
 Tues 10th Oct: Happy Hat Day for World Mental Health
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We would like to give you notice that our Open Evening is on Thursday 21st of September at 6pm. There is no need to book, please just come along.

Have a great weekend!



The Orchard

This week, we have read and worked on the story of **Chrysanthemum**, a classic book for back to school, written by **Kevin Henkes**. It helped the children to think about their own names and the names of everyone else in the class. We used the book to discuss treating classmates with tolerance, kindness, and compassion. Also, we observed this lovely flower to make a still life during the art lesson.

In maths, we have started to revise place value, addition, and subtraction. In science, we learned what is essential for human and animal growth and survival. Next week, we will read the book **The heart and the bottle** by **Oliver Jeffers**, a book that explores themes of love and loss.

Theme: Who am I and who am I becoming.

PE lessons:

Willow – Monday
 Sycamore - Wednesday
 Olive – Thursday

Thu 5th Oct: The Orchard Parent Welcome Mtg 3.30pm
 Tues 10th Oct: Happy Hat Day for World Mental Health
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