

NEWSLETTER 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Habit: Self-Control  
 Curriculum Theme: Inclusive World

A Message from our Principal: Ms Evry



Dear families,

It certainly has been lovely to have the sun shining this week, it has made a change from the miserable rainy weather we have had of late.

Our wonderful year 6s are sitting their SATs next week so we wish them all the best of luck. It is vital that the children are in everyday and on time. This enables the children to have a calm, settled start to their day.

Thank you to all the parents who attended our RSE workshops over the past couple of weeks. If you missed the session or would like further information, please speak to your child’s class teacher.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the warm weather!

Take care,  
 Ms Evry

Our Houses

Please see below our four house teams. They are all named after birds as a symbol of the school community helping them to fly. With each house they have a house colour. Next to each house is the classes linked to that house. The class will travel through the school as the same house. Throughout the year there will be colour days so please do look out for these.

Kookaburra House (Yellow)	Beech, Elm, Pear, Olive, Sycamore, Willow, Hazel, Chestnut
Skylark House (Blue)	Cypress, Olive, Sycamore, Willow, Oak, Pine, Damson, Ash, Alder
Firecrest House (Red)	Rowan, Apple, Birch, Olive, Sycamore, Willow, Acer, Apricot, Cedar, Maple
Hummingbird House (Green)	Laurel, Mulberry, Olive, Sycamore, Willow, Hawthorn, Redwood, Holly, Lilac, Cherry

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.

Reminder Breakfast Club Fees:

We write to remind you that due to the price increase of breakfast items; we will be increasing our Breakfast club fee from £4 to £5 from 1<sup>st</sup> September. For parents in receipt of FSM (Free School Meals) you will now be charged £2.50. We ask that you please keep your account up to date or in credit.



Monday-Friday: 9am-8pm

Weekends: 10am-3pm

Email the team on [info@prisonersfamilies.org](mailto:info@prisonersfamilies.org)

Or fill in a contact form and request a call back at [prisonersfamilies.org](http://prisonersfamilies.org).

Do you have a family member or loved one in prison?  
Do you need confidential support?

We have staff members with lead responsibility who may be able to help you: Please do not hesitate to contact Ms Clarke at our Lower school or Ms Eves at the middle school.



Attendance is very important to us all at OASP because good attendance improves each child's academic progress and allows them to maximise access to all the different opportunities that we provide weekly. If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please do let us know and then our Attendance Team will work with you to provide the support that child & family needs.

We send weekly Shout Outs to all children who have had 100% attendance. These children are then entered into the prize draw and a winner is selected for each year group. You can also check your child's attendance on MCAS. This will show you the percentage of attendance that your child has managed each week. It also shows you the mark that goes onto the register when we have not been notified of a reason for absence.

We encourage parents to limit absences throughout term time and to plan medical appointments ahead and outside of school hours.

Thank you for your continued support for helping us to raise attendance at OASP! Let's all be Attendance Champions.

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

This week's winners are Zoey -Willow Class, Sofia -Cherry Class, Taraji -Mulberry Class, Sidiki -Ash Class, Isla -Hawthorn Class, Blake -Hazel Class, Kye -Maple Class and N'vafing -Redwood Class.

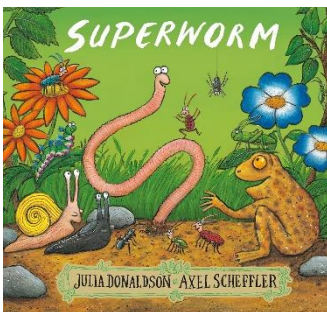
**The next week's winner could be you!**

### *Own Clothes Day*



Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June will be an own clothes day. On this day we are asking for donations of £1 per child for those who choose to participate. We will be collecting donations on the gate before and after school. All money raised will be used to purchase replacement playground equipment in our school for the children to enjoy during breaktime and lunchtime. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

### Nursery News



Dear Parents, this week, the children have enjoyed learning about "The Very Hungry Caterpillar" and exploring the life cycle of a butterfly. Next week, we will continue our adventure with Julia Donaldson's **Superworm**. This delightful story features a hero who is not only super-long and super-strong but also captivates his friends with his helpful and entertaining nature. However, excitement unfolds when Superworm is captured by the evil Wizard Lizard, prompting a heroic rescue mission by his bug buddies! In math, we will be counting insect legs and comparing various insects by size and length. We look forward to another wonderful week of fun exploring more about the world around us.

#### Other notices:

**Ashburton Library Visit Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>:** We invite those interested in volunteering to please reach out to us via ClassDojo, email, or by informing one of the Nursery staff members by Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. For parents whose

children are in the all-day program and wish to volunteer, kindly confirm your child's time with their class teacher. Thank you for your support.

**Ashburton Library Visit timetable:**

**Morning:** 10.00am / 11.00am

**Afternoon:** 13.45pm / 14.45 pm Key dates:

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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

Well, done to all the children for another fantastic week, it's been lovely enjoying the garden in the nicer weather. Next week in phonics we will be recapping our recent sounds and looking at the phase 4 tricky words 'come', 'do', 'have' and 'like'. In topic we will be looking at some historical figures, including Sir Isaac Newton, Bessie Coleman, George Washington Carver, Queen Elizabeth, and William Shakespeare.

In drawing club, we will be using 'The Pink Panther' and our imaginations to generate ideas for characters, settings adventures, and inventions. In maths we will be looking at numbers beyond 10, focusing on teen numbers.

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.

**Apple Class:** Monday

**Cherry Class:** Tuesday

**Pear Class:** Wednesday

**Reading Books** go home on a Friday. Please could we ask that they be returned the following Wednesday.

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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)

Have a wonderful weekend!

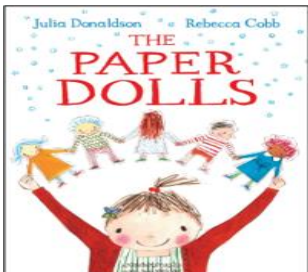
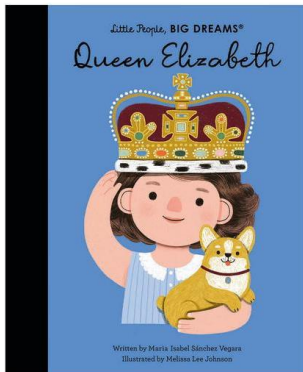
## Year 1

We've had a lovely week in Year 1! The children have enjoyed playing the Boomwhackers in music and had fun following instructions to create paper dolls in our English lesson. We want to say a huge thank you to all the parents that came to see our fashion show this afternoon. The children had a brilliant time and were so proud to show off their bags.

Next week, in English, we will be looking at the features of instructions before writing our own as a class. In maths, we will be learning about quarters of a shape, and in our science lesson, we will be learning about plants that can be grown around the world in different environments. In geography we will be learning about direction, and in history, we will be recapping everything we have learnt over the past half term.

We will be taking the children to Ashburton library week commencing 20<sup>th</sup> May, please see below. Classes to be confirmed shortly.

**Ashburton Library Visit timetable:**



**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May:** 10:30am – 11:30am (Apricot) and 1-2pm (Damson)  
**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May:** 1pm -2pm (Mulberry)

### 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:

**Tue 21<sup>st</sup> May: Library Visit 10.30am-11.30am & 1pm-2pm**

**Thu: 23<sup>rd</sup> May: Library Visit 1pm-2pm**

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## Year 2

The pupils have had an amazing week celebrating their wonderful achievements together and we are extremely proud of them all. In English pupils will be introduced to a new book called The Day the Crayons Quit and we will be writing effective sentences for a persuasive letter. In maths, pupils will be learning about parts and whole models. During geography pupils will be reading information from a world map including continents. In science pupils will be discovering the conditions needed for plants to grow. During our indoors PE sessions pupils will be exploring cardiovascular endurance, and our outdoors sessions will be exploring different ways to throw an object powerfully. In poetry pupils will be reciting the poem, Billy McCool.

**Weather:** As weather conditions continue to be unpredictable, please ensure that all children are coming into school with a labelled coat.

**Lunches:** We are a nut free school; therefore, we ask that anything that may contain nuts is not included in pack lunches please.

**PE: Ash/Holly:** Tuesday and Thursday **Elm/Cedar:** Monday and Wednesday

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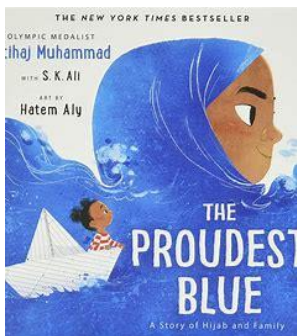
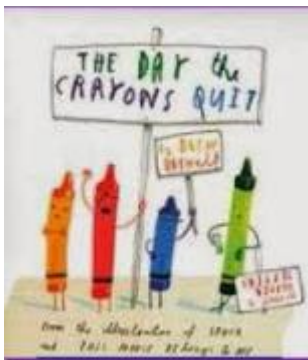
## Year 3

We've had a lovely week in Year 3! The children have enjoyed locating countries of the Paralympians on a world map in their geography lessons. In maths, the children have learnt how to tell the time to the nearest minute and in science they were introduced to the lifecycle of a plant.

Next week, in our writing sessions we will continue looking at the book, 'The Proudest Blue' and at the features of a letter. In maths, we will be learning how to read time on a digital clock as well as being able to identify when it is am and pm. In art we will be using clay to create a model of a tree and in MFL, we will be learning how to say what we do in our spare time in Spanish.

### Year 3-4 Transitions Day at Middle School

Monday	Hawthorn
Wednesday	Pine
Thursday	Chestnut
Friday	Birch





**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.

**Weather:** As we are approaching more wet and windy weather conditions, please ensure that all children are coming into school with a labelled coat.

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## Year 4

We hope you enjoyed your bank holiday weekend. The Year 4 teachers will be contact families shortly in regards late payments for the workshop. We have 2 more enrichment trips planned but if there are still any outstanding payments, your child is at risk of taking part in these activities so please ensure you've logged onto MCAS and are up to date. I have included in the key dates below the date of your child's class Showasis performance. Please take note of it so you can attend if you are able too. Next week, the children will continue reading the story of LOB, focusing on using descriptive language to describe the various characters in the book.

In Maths, the children will continue learning about money focusing on calculating and solving money problems. 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.

*The Year 4 Multiplication test will take place week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024. Please ensure the children are practising their times tables as much as possible using the resources the school have provided on their iPad.*

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

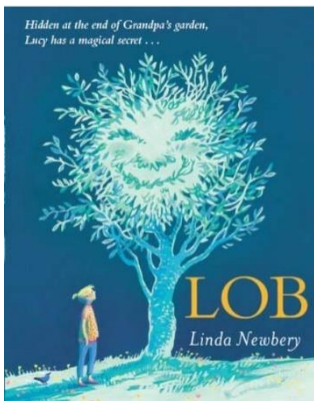
We hope you have a restful weekend.

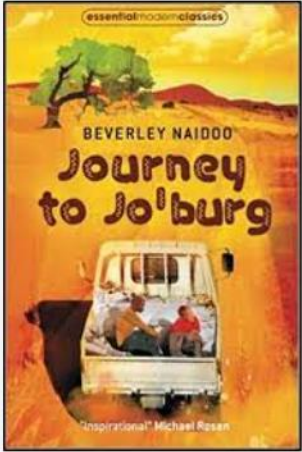
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## Year 5

This week we continued our book 'Journey to Jo'burg' by Beverly Naidoo. We have completed our big write; the children were asked to think about how our story may end. Many children used their knowledge of apartheid, our characters, the setting and situation to produce some brilliant pieces of work. In Maths, we have begun learning about coordinates, plotting them on to the x and y axis and identifying missing coordinates using the information we are given. Next week we will continue our learning by looking at how we can reflect and translate shapes using coordinates. In Science, Year 5 have learning about the growth cycle of a human during adolescence and how puberty affects the body. They will continue to learn about human growth and development discussing the changes the body goes through as it enters old age eventually linking with our work in RSE in week 6.

In RE, we are continuing to learn about Hinduism. We will be discussing what pilgrimages are and their importance to religion as well as how Sikhs observe their own pilgrimages.

In PE, Year 5's topics are fitness and cricket, we have been practicing our passing and protecting the wicket as a part of our skills progression.

In History and Geography, the children are continuing to learn about the Suffragettes around the World. We will be learning some anthems and march songs.

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

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

The PE lessons for each class are as follows:

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

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

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

### **REMINDERS:**

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

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## Year 6

What a busy week the children have had ahead of SATs. We've spent the week doing a lot of revision and last-minute practice ahead of the big week, next week. We wish the children a restful weekend; they have worked extremely hard, and we are proud of them. They have all progressed greatly since September and next week is their chance to show it off. Don't forget breakfast club will run for year 6, Monday to Friday. This is a great chance for the children to socialise and ensure they are in on time. On Monday is our grammar and spelling test, Tuesday is the reading test, Wednesday is arithmetic, and reasoning and Thursday is the last reasoning paper. In the afternoon's the children will be doing nice activities and resting. On Friday, we hope to celebrate by introducing the children their end of year production. Have a fun-filled weekend.

### **PE Days**

**Redwood & Beech - Tuesday, Thursday**

**Acer & Oak - Monday, Wednesday**

We do hope you are well and enjoyed the wonderful Easter break.

### **Key dates:**

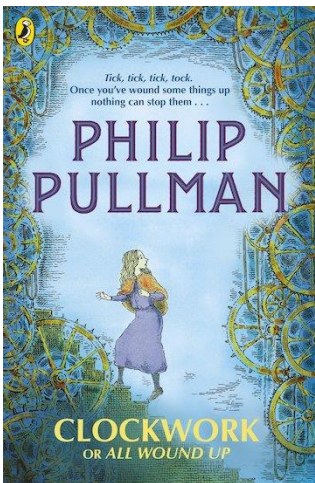
**May 13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> SATS Week**

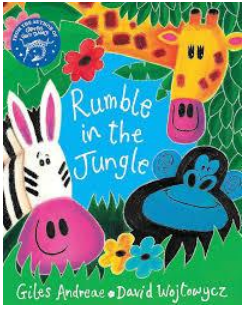
**May 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> - Y6 Residential Kingswood**

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## The Orchard

Next week's book is **Rumble in the jungle**, by **Giles Andreae**. It describes a morning in a jungle, going through many animals and what they are doing. It has bright and colourful illustrations. In **maths**, we will be continuing working on **fractions**. In **Geography and History**, we have been talking about Olympics and continents. In science, we have been studying and observing plants.

### PE lessons:

Willow – Monday  
Sycamore - Wednesday  
Olive – Friday

### Swimming at South Norwood Pool:

Willow and Sycamore – 15.5.2024

**Please note that Sycamore will go weekly each Wednesday and Olive/Willow will go on alternate weeks.**

On swimming days, please send in the following: towel, swimming costume, bag for wet clothes, spare underwear if coming into school wearing swim costume underneath uniform. Goggles and hat if preferred but not essential.

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**Remember:** - Should you need to contact us, you can contact the Inclusion Team by email through: [SPA.Inclusion.STF@oasisshirleypark.org](mailto:SPA.Inclusion.STF@oasisshirleypark.org)

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