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Vewsletter

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Message from Head Teacher

I am a great believer in the importance of good manners. At New Oscott Primary School, pupils are regularly reminded about using their manners and recognition is given when they do. Every Friday, our lunchtime supervisors choose children from each class/year group to be rewarded for remembering their manners by having a place on 'golden table' the following week. This is a specially decorated table in the dinner hall where children can sit, with a friend, to eat their lunchtime meal. They also earn the privilege to go for their lunch straight away at the start of lunchtime.

This week, I visited each Year 4 class on Wednesday afternoon to congratulate them on their lovely manners. During lunchtime, without exception, every child I spoke to not only answered my question 'How are you?' with 'Very well, thank you' but also asked me how I was and if I was having a good day. I certainly was after speaking to so many courteous and considerate children! Well done, Year 4 - and all of our pupils who are always polite and remember to use good manners.

School Meals Price Increase

We have been notified by Dolce, our school meals provider, that the cost of school meals will increase by 5p per meal from 14th April 2020. The cost of school a meal will be £2.15 (currently £2.10) from the start of the summer term (20th April 2020).

Please note that there continues to be no charge for pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 under the universal free meals offer.

Year 2 SATs Information Meeting

Year 2 parents are invited to a SATs Information Meeting on **Thursday**, 6th **February** at 2.00 p.m. in the Infant Hall. Website: <u>www.newoscott.bham.sch.uk</u> Email: enquiry@newoscott.bham.sch.uk

Young Voices Concert

On Thursday 16th January, 43 of our Junior pupils took part in the Young Voices Concert at Birmingham's Resorts World Arena which included a choir of over 6000 pupils from across the Midlands.

It was an amazing experience and a wonderful evening enjoyed by pupils, parents and staff alike. In addition to the numerous songs sung by the choir, there was also an incredible street dance group and wonderful headline acts including Spandau Ballet's Tony Hadley! Congratulations and thank you to all the children who took part; we are incredibly proud of you all. Thank you to Mrs Lacey for coaching the choir and organising our participation; Mrs Clinton, Mrs Dodds, Mrs High and Mrs Hutchings for accompanying the children throughout the afternoon and evening - and all parents who supported the event.



NOSPA NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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NOSPA Meeting

Our next meeting takes place tonight at 6.30pm in the meeting room (near the school office). All are welcome to attend.

Upcoming Events

Easter Egg Hunt – Date & time tBC Easter Discos – Thursday 2nd April

Contact Us: ^① Katie Tirrell 07888131203 ⊠ Email: email.nospa@gmail.com or via our facebook & twitter pages.

ALL THE MONEY NOSPA MAKES GOES TO SCHOOL

Year 6 First Aid

Congratulations to the 30 Year 6 pupils who are currently undertaking the St John Ambulance Young Person's First Aid training as part of their Rotary Award. The course involves 6 hours of training split over two days. At the first session, the children were commended by the trainer for their outstanding behaviour and the quality of their contributions and questions during the sessions.

A reminder that the final session is next Monday, 3^{rd} February.



Nursery Open Day Sessions

This year our Open Sessions for parents who are interested in a place for Nursery in September 2020 will be held on **Tuesday 3rd March** at 9.30 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. These sessions will start promptly at the times shown. If you know anyone who may be interested, please invite them to come along.

Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings will be held on Wednesday 12th February (4.00 - 7.30 p.m.) and Thursday 13th February (3.40 - 6.00 p.m.). As happened last term, all appointments are made online. An email containing a link to the booking page was sent on Tuesday 28th January.

Please contact the School Office if you are having trouble booking your appointment online.

E-Safety Leaflet

Please find attached E-Safety leaflet 9 for parents: A Parent's Guide to Social Media and Mental Health. Our E-Safety leaflets are also available on the school website.

Year 6 Residential Meeting

There will be a Year 6 residential meeting on **Monday 10th February** at 3.40 p.m. in the Junior hall.

Impact Sessions

The next parent information sessions are as follows: Reception Writing Impact sessions: Tuesday 4th February @ 9.15 a.m. RA Tuesday 4th February @ 2.00 p.m. RW Wednesday 5th February @ 2.00 p.m. RHR

These will take place in the Infant Hall. We ask that each pupil has a parent/carer or family member to work with during this session if at all possible please.

Rotary Award

A reminder to Year 6 pupils doing the Rotary Award that their audit sheet needs to be completed and returned to Mrs Walklett by Monday, 3rd February. The audit sheet is attached to the Rotary letter given out on Monday 27th January.

World Book Day

This year, World Book day will be on **Thursday 5th March**. Pupils are asked to come to school dressed as a favourite book character. Time to start planning your costumes!

School P.E. Kit

Please be aware that the School Office is now processing the P.E. kit orders. If you would like to place an order, please complete an order form - available from the School Office (or download a form from the school website) and make payment using Parentpay. **Please do not send any money into school**.

Once the School Office has received your order you will receive a confirmation email along with a further email to inform you when your order is ready to collect from the School Office.

Please note personalised items can't be returned. We advise children try on the samples that are available in the main entrance area.

Big Schools' Bird Watch

On Wednesday 5th February, Eco-Council will be taking part in the Big Schools' Bird Watch for the RSPB. We are so lucky to have amazing grounds and so many different birds which regularly visit.

Thank you to Sam for organising this - and for ensuring the bird feeders are in place and regularly re-filled.



Sutton Coldfield Book Fest 29th February 2020

What an exciting event taking place in our own town on February 29th! Lots of authors and live story-telling – including author, Jacqueline Wilson, and illustrator, Nick Sharratt (tickets required) at Sutton Coldfield Town Hall. There can be no better way to spend the extra day we gain in this leap year! Visit <u>www.suttoncoldfieldbookfest.com</u> for more information.



Site Safety

Parents and pupils are reminded to walk along the path around the front of school and not through the car park when accessing Dawn til Dusk and the Year 3 & 4 playground. Thank you.

February Value

Our value for February is **cooperation**. We will link this with our Building Learning Power characteristic: reciprocity.

School Uniform Stockist

We now have a new uniform stockist, additional to Clive Marks. Trutex is located on Erdington High Street and stocks our polo shirts, sweatshirts and cardigans.

Shop Location: Trutex Erdington

71 High Street Erdington Birmingham B23 65A Prices (all sizes) Sweatshirts - £10.99 Cardigan - £11.99 Polo - £7.99

The shop is opposite the CO-OP just in front of the Erdington Wilton Market. Tel: 0121 350 8444

Opening Hours: 9.30am - 5pm Monday - Saturday

Website: <u>www.crestedschoolwear.co.uk</u>

If you have any queries regarding any of the above, please do not hesitate in contacting me or Mrs Budden.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs A Walklett

Diary Dates 2019-20 Spring Term

Thursday 30 th January	10.15 a.m./2.15 p.m.	Nursery Phonics Impact
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Friday 31 st January	2.45 p.m.	3D Class Assembly
Monday 3 rd February	1.30 - 4.30 p.m.	Year 6 group St John Ambulance First Aid Training
Monday of February	1.00 1.00 p.m.	session 2
Tuesday 4 th February	9.15 a.m.	RA Reception Writing Impact
	2.00 p.m.	RW Reception Writing Impact
Wednesday 5 th February	2.00 p.m.	RHR Reception Writing Impact
Thursday 6 th February	2.00 p.m.	Year 2 SATs Information meeting
Friday 7 th February	2.45 p.m.	4D Class Assembly
Monday 10 th February	3.40 p.m.	Year 6 residential meeting
Wednesday 12 th February	4.00 - 7.30 p.m.	Parents' Evening
Thursday 13 th February	<u>4.00 - 7.30 p.m.</u> 9.15 a.m.	Special Certificate Assembly
Thursday 15th February	9.15 a.m. 3.40 - 6.00 p.m.	Parents' Evening
Friday 14 th February	<u>3.40 - 0.00 β.Μ.</u>	Teacher Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS
Monday 24 th February		All pupils return to school
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Thursday 27 th February	6.00 p.m.	Full Governing Body meeting
Monday 2 nd March		Secondary school places offered
		Bikeability courses
Tuesday 3 rd March	9.30 a.m./2.00 p.m.	Nursery Open Day sessions
Thursday 5 th March		World Book Day – pupils come dressed as a book
		character
Friday 6 th March	2.45 p.m.	5R Class Assembly
Friday 13 th March	a.m.	Inter-house Fun Run (Years 3 - 6)
	2.45 p.m.	4H Class Assembly
Saturday 14 th March	5.00 - 8.00 p.m.	Sutton Coldfield Schools' Swimming Gala
Monday 16 th March	9.15 a.m.	1D (class) Phonics Impact session
Tuesday 17 th March	9.15 a.m.	1M (class) Phonics Impact session
	6.00 p.m.	Year 5 Parents SRE (Sex & Relationships Education)
		meeting
Wednesday 18 th March	9.15 a.m.	1B (class) Phonics Impact session
Thursday 19 th March	6.00 p.m.	Finance, Staffing and Premises GB Committee meeting
Friday 20 th March	2.45 p.m	5C Class Assembly
Wednesday 25 th March	9.15 a.m.	2BS Reading Impact
Thursday 26 th March	9.15 a.m.	2R Reading Impact
Friday 27 th March	9.15 a.m.	2A Reading Impact
	2.45 p.m.	1B Class Assembly
Tuesday 31 st March		Year 5 SRE lessons
· · · · · · · ·	p.m.	3D swimming lessons at Wyndley Swimming Baths T-F
Wednesday 1 st April		Year 6 residential to Pioneer Centre
	10.45 a.m./2.45 p.m.	Nursery Easter Parade
Thursday 2 nd April		NOSPA Easter discos
Friday 3 rd April	9.00 a.m.	Special certificate assemblies/RHR class assembly
		Year 6 return from residential
		BREAK UP
Monday 20 th April		All pupils return to school for Summer Term