

GOOD MORNING

This week we will be saying Good Morning in Romanian. We say “Buna dimeneata.”

NSPPC VISIT

All children in Years 1- 6 had a ‘Stay Safe’ assembly delivered by the NSPCC last week. Children need support to know how to keep themselves safe from all types of dangers including abuse, bullying or cyberbullying. The children had time to reflect on their own behaviour and how they treat each other. We hope your child found this useful. You may like to discuss the issues raised with your child at home. Year 5 and Year 6 children also had a follow up workshop. The NSPCC will be back on March 19th to repeat the session for any children who were at the Velodrome on the day.

BOOK WEEK

Last week’s Book Fair was extremely popular with the school taking £1563.40. This means that the school receives **£878** of rewards to spend on books for the children! A huge thank you to everyone who came along to support this event.

World Book Day was celebrated on Thursday, beginning with an extra Reading Breakfast for this half term where the children and adults enjoyed reading before school while eating toast. Many of the staff and children came to school dressed as book characters and everyone enjoyed taking part in a range of activities linked to books. Many thanks to all the parents/carers who joined us at the end of the day to share stories with the children too.

OPERATION ENCOMPASS

All schools in Croydon, Bromley and Sutton have been asked to sign up to Operation Encompass. This is a police led operation which means that if any of our children are present when a Domestic Violence incident occurs we will be informed. We will not be given any details, only the child’s name. This means we can offer support to the child in school if necessary.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Please remember that we ask you do NOT allow your children on the climbing frame and trim trails before or after school. No member of staff is supervising during these times, the school accepts no liability for accidents which may occur at these times.

WANTED- FABRIC

Do you have any large pieces of fabric? We would like to start a camp- building club next term and need some to use to build our dens. Any colour or shape. If you have any old gazebo poles we would take them too. All contributions gratefully received.

MORGAN SINDALL ASSEMBLIES

Today representatives from the company who are carrying out works on the bridge came in to do assemblies for all the children. We discussed how to keep safe near construction sites, the children were able to name the different safety kit that workers need. The children also thought about the important roles that both men and women can take in this kind of work. Following this assembly, a competition will be running for Woodside pupils to design a poster showing how they travel to school – the winners will be displayed on the construction site!

TEA AND TALK

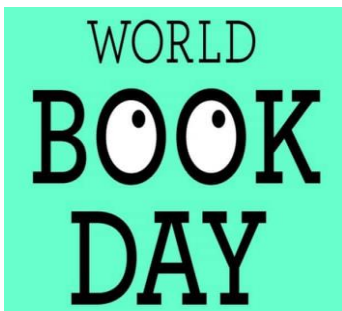
Our next session will be on 3rd May. The School Nurse will come in and answer any questions you may have about general health issues for your child. She will particularly focus on sleep

RED NOSE DAY

Red noses are on sale now ready for Friday. Buy your red nose early to avoid disappointment, £1.25 from the school office. Your child can wear something red, or something ‘funny for money’. Please bring in £1 donation for the charity.

YEAR 2 PARENT MEETING

On Monday 25th March, we are having a meeting for all parents/ carers of Year 2 about the SATS the children will take at the end of the year. Please come along at 9am + 2.30 to the Lower office. All questions will be answered.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

There are still places in some of the after school clubs, please let the office know if your child wishes to join a club. Aaron says- "Our new club- called Comic Club has spaces, please come and join if you can. It is on a Wednesday and is for Years 2,3 and 4." Do you have any old comics you could contribute for the club? If so, please drop any off at either office for Ms Byrne.

PAWS NEWS

Sat 6th July – SUPER SUMMER FAYRE -a very popular local event. Please make a note in your diary.

Upper school disco is on Thursday 21st March. Please see letter, emailed this morning for all the information and hand forms back into the UP office. Thank you

HOME SCHOOL READING

Congratulations to the following classes who achieved an average of over 90% of reading records in class each day last week:

6 Willow	93%	6 Oak	93%	6 Chestnut	97%	6 Ash	99%
5 Willow	100%			5 Chestnut	98%	5 Ash	95%
4 Willow	99%						
3 Willow	97%						
2 Willow	93%	2 Oak	92%				

Go to <https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/advice-for-parents/reading-at-home/#> for lots of advice, tips and demo games and videos for supporting your child with their reading.

SKIPPING ROPES

On the 28th March we will be holding an afterschool skipping workshop for children in year 1-3. The workshop costs £3.50 and is available to 30 children. Places will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis. Letters will be sent home today, please return your reply slip and money to the main office.

A limited amount of gymnastic skipping ropes are available to buy from the main office; infant (blue ropes) and junior (yellow/green ropes) cost £4 each and the new 'solar' rope costs £5.

ATTENDANCE

<u>Attendance – 4th – 8th March 2019</u>					
<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Minutes Late</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Minutes Late</u>
Apple	91.2	9	4 Chestnut	99.1	123
Cherry	98.4	88	4 Ash	96.8	25
Pear	98.8	163	4 Oak	100	19
1 Ash	92.6	24	4 Willow	94.3	5
1 Oak	97.9	183	5 Oak	96.7	0
1 Willow	98.8	50	5 Ash	98.6	6
2 Ash	93.9	32	5 Chestnut	98.3	0
2 Chestnut	96.8	49	5 Willow	97.7	160
2 Oak	100	23	6 Ash	96.5	0
2 Willow	93.8	91	6 Willow	99.2	5
3 Oak	96.1	0	6 Chestnut	99.6	0
3 Ash	96.2	163	6 Oak	98.3	5
3 Willow	93.1	10			
Totals				96.9	1233

Well done to those classes who achieved 100% attendance and those who had zero minutes late!

CURRICULUM NEWS

NURSERY

We will be reading and talking about different logos and signs that we see around us. We have made our own logo wall and will be using this to help us think about where we see different logos and what they remind us of. We will also be doing lots of fun activities related to spring; such as drawing and cutting out spring flowers, which will also help us develop our fine motor skills.

In maths will be comparing amounts of objects and learning about the meaning of 'one more' and 'one less'. Our number for this week is 10.

In literacy we will be playing rhyming games and listening to stories with rhyming words. We will also be continuing our learning about things that make specific sounds. We already know that a snake makes a 'ssssss' sound and popcorn makes a popping sound!

RECEPTION

Children will continue learning to write simple sentences which can be read by themselves and others. They will use their phonics knowledge to write and read so please continue to encourage them to practise their sounds and letters at home. In Mathematics we will be beginning to use the everyday language related to time and will be measuring short periods of time in simple ways. Children will also start to learn how to tell the time using 12-hour clock.

YEAR 1

Mathematics

We will begin to use a ruler to measure objects around the classroom. Can your child use a ruler?

English

Continuing our story of Jack and the Beanstalk, the children will write a diary entry.

Our question this week is: What is the same or different about plants?

YEAR 2

Mathematics

We will continue our learning about fractions. We will be finding fractions of numbers, measure and shapes. We will be using our knowledge to help us reason about fractions, working out which fractions of amounts are worth more. In addition to this we will be solving fraction based worded problems, proving our answers using pictures to help us.

English

We will be using the story '*Traction Man and the Beach Odyssey*' by Mini Grey as the inspiration for our writing. We will be making predictions and writing setting descriptions as well as planning and writing our own Traction Man Beach Missions. We will be trying to use a range of descriptive language in our writing as well as interesting openers and conjunctions to extend our sentences.

Our question this week is: What questions would you ask in an interview with Florence Nightingale?

YEAR 3

Mathematics

The children will be introduced to perimeter and will have the opportunity of finding the perimeter of different objects and shapes.

English

We will be continuing with our book, *The Quest of the Gods*, which is set in Ancient Egypt. The children will be writing a recount on what has happened so far in the story in the form of a poem. They will then plan and write and write a piece of dialogue.

For **Science Week** we will be making some simple flying machines out of paper and testing how long each of them will fly for.

Our question of the week is: How would you build a pyramid or a ziggurat?

Please remember to bring in some cardboard boxes so the children have enough resources to construct their models of ancient structures.

YEAR 4

Mathematics

Children will continue to build on their knowledge of decimals. They will compare and order numbers up to two decimal places. Using money with pounds and pence may help your child to do this. As usual, once the children are fluent with ordering, they will use their knowledge to solve reasoning and embedding challenges.

English

Continuing with our wordless book, the children will discuss what is happening in the next section and tell the story. As the girl carries on her journey, the children will explore through role play what she sees and feels. We will then write a diary entry.

Our question this week is: Where would your door in the story lead?

YEAR 5

Mathematics

The children will begin to learn about decimals. They will be rounding, ordering and comparing decimals and will be encouraged to use a place value chart to do so. Children will also be completing a range of tasks that enable them to make links between decimals and fractions.

English

After an exciting trip to the velodrome last week, children will continue to focus on the topic of cycling. They will be interviewing a well-known cyclist- our own Ms Heywood- Mahe and will be turning their interviews into professionally presented articles using Microsoft Publisher. Children will focus on including a range of modal verbs and parenthesis using brackets.

Question of the week: How does it feel to race?

YEAR 6

Mathematics

We will be working on our direction skills (coordinates) and continuing our revision of previous topics, therefore working on our reasoning skills.

English

Once again, we will be linking our English with our science learning this term. This week we will be learning about the impact of diet, drugs and lifestyle on the way our bodies function. We shall write a letter to ourselves giving advice and guidance.

Question of the week: Can you identify the barriers to a healthy lifestyle?