

Academy Newsletter

Friday 3rd May 2024
Summer Term
Issue: 3



We've had an exciting week at St Peter and St Paul.

Year 1 have certainly been busy with their Orpington Library trip on Monday and their assembly on Tuesday. It was lovely to see the learning journey that Year 1 have been on this year, accompanied by some fantastic singing. Thank you to the parents and carers who were able to attend and share this with your children.

On Thursday our boys football team hosted our first home games. Mr. Rowe has written a separate report, however it was great to hold some games on our school field and have support from parents and classmates. I was very impressed with the determination and teamwork.

As you know, we remained open on Polling day. this was a successful day and an opportunity for the children to learn from a real life event.

Don't forget Monday is a Bank Holiday. Here's hoping we have some sunshine. See you all on Tuesday.



The following classes are winners of the Chislehurst Society Environmental Awards:



Seedlings Nursery
EYFS (Reception)
Year 2
Year 3
Year 4
Year 6



We would love it if children from these classes could attend the ceremony today, 5:00pm, at Chislehurst Methodist Church to collect their certificate and prize. Some staff will be present; however, we ask that you accompany your children to the event. Please dress your children in school uniform.

Many thanks for your support.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Arihant – Year 5
 Saavan – Nursery
 Isla – Year 3
 Faith – Year 4
 Hope – Year 4
 Yewande – Nursery
 Stanley – Year 2



All birthdays have been listed in birth date order (Monday 29th to Sunday 5th May 2024)



VIRTUES AWARD – VIRTUES TO LIVE BY



Confidence

‘Let us be confident, then, and say: “The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?”

Hebrews 13:6

EYFS	Harry
Year 1	Jackson
Year 2	Isabella
Year 3	Alexander
Year 4	Faith
Year 5	Arabella
Year 6	Phoebe

Attendance

EYFS	98.3
Year 1	94.3
Year 2	98.7
Year 3	100
Year 4	95.0
Year 5	94.7
Year 6	97.0
Whole School	96.51

The winning class this week was **Year 3** gaining three stars for having 100% attendance. Well done to EYFS, Year 2 and Year 6 this week for achieving over 97% and receiving a star.

How many children were late for school this week?

97

Nursery Star of the Week



Amira



Exploring texture

APRIL'S ART CHALLENGE

Visual texture is the way an object looks as it would feel, if you could reach out and touch it. A useful drawing skill is to be able to create texture using your pencil or other art materials.

Each word below is a texture word. Can you create this texture using just a pencil?

- Sandy
- Furry
- Gritty
- Hairy
- Bumpy
- Fluffy
- Smooth
- Woven
- Prickly
- Scaly
- Pointy
- Flaky
- Rough
- Rocky
- Soft
- Wet



Your challenge is to create a piece of artwork showing texture. Think about how you move your pencil across the page to create the texture. Would it be best to move it quickly or slowly? What shapes or patterns could you make to help portray the texture? Go and investigate real objects that have this texture, then try to copy. Can you draw a picture, using just a pencil, to show texture? It could be a soft teddy bear, your furry pet dog, a scaly lizard, a feathered bird, a prickly cactus, a wet umbrella, the rough skin of an orange... experiment!

Hand in your creation to **Mrs Lee** by **Monday 29th April** for a chance to win an amazing arts and crafts prize!

Look out for the new monthly art competition in the newsletter at the beginning of every month.

Meeting with the SENDCO (Mr O'Dwyer)

Please scan the QR code below should you wish to meet with Mr. O'Dwyer. You may want to discuss an ongoing concern, or discuss a new concern all together.



Uniform

Please can you ensure that all uniform is clearly labelled, as it is getting difficult for children/staff to identify items of clothing if they do not have a name on.

In addition to the above, it has been noted that children are taking home named uniform that does not belong to them.

Please can you check all the uniform you have at home and ensure it belongs to your child. If you have another child's item, please return it to the school office.

It is important to teach your children how important it is to look after their belongings and this is difficult if items are un-named and unidentifiable.



Summer Uniform

Although the weather is not quite 'summer', we would just like to take the opportunity to remind parents not to mix summer uniform with winter uniform.

Please note the following from our uniform policy:

Green checked dress with white socks (not green tights).

*White Academy logo polo shirt **worn without tie.***

We are proud of our uniform, and we would like to ensure it is looking at its very best all year round.



THE PTA NEEDS YOUR PRE-LOVED UNIFORM!

The PTA's weekly pop-up shop is in desperate need of donations of Academy uniform in larger sizes. Badged items, or PE kit, for age 6-7 and up is in huge demand. Items in reasonable condition can be donated direct to the red wheely bin outside the office, or direct to the shop on Thursday mornings.

Parents/carers are reminded that the Thursday shop is the single outlet to obtain pre-loved items, and they must not be taken direct from the wheely bin.



Boys Football Match Report By Mr. Rowe PE Lead

Double-header between:

- St Peter and St Paul Catholic Academy
- Harris Primary Shortlands
- St Nicholas CE Primary School (St Nicks)

Yesterday afternoon, we hosted our first home fixtures of the season, a double-header between us and two other schools. We had great home support with loads of encouragement from the side-lines (a massive thank you to everyone who supported the team so enthusiastically yesterday!). Our boys team took to the pitch against, first, Harris Shortlands and then St Nicks. We lost 3-1 in both games but our team has made progress, even from the first to the second match yesterday - we battled for the ball, we tried to move the ball around (which was tricky on our narrow pitch), had some decent moments during both matches and our goalie was strong and brave throughout. The boys kept their heads up and kept going until the final whistles. The team should be really proud of themselves, as all the spectators who stayed after school to watch them in battle were - you represented our school with real gusto!

The Team (in alphabetical order):

- Adebayo
- Cove
- Kai (goal scorer match 1)
- Makai
- Marcel
- Nathan (goal scorer match 2)
- Sheldon
- Thanos



Year 1 School Trip to Orpington Library



St Georges Day

Thank you for those of you that came in to school and celebrated St Georges Day in your uniform.



Year 1 Free Range Assembly



Spring Term

Amendments are highlighted and Cancellations are in red.

Please note the lists of dates below are subject to change and we encourage you to look each week for any changes.

Thursday 2 nd May 2024	School being used as a Polling Station – School open as usual
Monday 6 th May 2024	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Wednesday 8 th May 2024	Year 5 Bright Sparks Trip – Swimming cancelled
Monday 13 th May 2024	Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 13 th May 2024	Year 4 Trip to Orpington Library
Thursday 16 th May 2024	Year 1 Hall Place School Trip (further information to follow)
Monday 20 th May 2024	Bird of Prey Visit
Tuesday 21 st May 2024	Year 5 Kemnal Technology Visit
Tuesday 21 st May 2024	Year 4 - MTC Parent information meeting (see email for details)
Wednesday 22 nd May 2024	Year 5 Free Range Assembly at 9am (all parent/carers welcome)
Thursday 23 rd May 2024	Year 1 Church Visit
Friday 24 th May 2024	Crowning of Our Lady – Bring a flower to school with you
Friday 24 th May 2024	Half Term Begins – No Evening Stars (4:30pm finish)
Monday 3 rd June 2024	Year 5 Trip to Orpington Library
Thursday 6 th June 2024	EYFS Church Visit
Monday 10 th June 2024	Year 6 Trip to Orpington Library
Monday 10 th June 2024	Phonics Screening Check – KS1 (more information to follow)
Tuesday 11 th June 2024	Year 6 Bikability Course – more information to follow
Wednesday 12 th June 2024	Year 6 Bikability Course – more information to follow
Monday 17 th June 2024	Year 2 Trip to Orpington Library
Thursday 20 th June 2024	Welcome Meeting to new EYFS Parents at 5pm
Friday 28 th June 2024	St Peter and St Paul Feast Day Mass (parents/carers welcome for lunch) more information to follow
Tuesday 2 nd July 2024	Sports Day (more information to follow)
Wednesday 3 rd July 2024	Year 2 Free Range Assembly at 9am (all parent/carers welcome)
Thursday 4 th July 2024	Circus Day – more information to follow
Friday 5 th July 2024	Key Stage 2 Reconciliation
Friday 5 th July 2024	PTA Summer Fair – Helpers Needed!!!
Tuesday 9 th July 2024	Year 6 School Journey to Thriftwood (return on Friday 12 th July 2024)
Wednesday 17 th July 2024	Year 6 Leavers' Play – Parents welcome
Thursday 18 th July 2024	PTA St Peter and St Paul's got Talent (more information to follow)
Friday 19 th July 2024	Year 6 Leavers Mass – parents/carers welcome Close at 2pm – No Stars

The Acrobatic Swan Lake - Offer

Take your family to a unique fusion of Western Classical Ballet and mesmerising Chinese Acrobatic Arts. The Acrobatic Swan Lake is a jaw-dropping phenomenon everyone will love! The Family Ticket is 4 tickets for £150 on the £85 price band - a saving of £190!

Promo code: TSTFAMILY

[Family Ticket Offer Click Here](#)



Date for the Diary

The PTA have secured 90 discounted tickets for the pantomime "Snow White" at the Churchill Theatre, Bromley. They are for the 5pm performance on Sunday 15th December. Please put the date in your diary as these tickets will likely sell quickly. They will go on sale from 1st July at £23 each. Information about purchasing these will be released closer to the time.





Family wildlife walk and talk

📍 Hoblingwell Wood Recreation Ground, St Paul's Cray, BR5 2QB

📅 Sat 4th May 2024 11:00AM

Our family wildlife walk and talk will follow a route through our wondrous wildflower meadow and woodland, and taking in our new butterfly bank. Along the way our conservation volunteers will point out wildlife features of Hoblingwell, such as plants, fungi, butterflies, birds, and small mammals. We will also pick up any little bits of litter that we might find along the way to maintain the environment in good condition.

Event Details

Starts at 11:00AM

Location

Hoblingwell Wood Recreation Ground, St Paul's Cray, BR5 2QB

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR EVENT: ALLISON PARKINSON

MONDAY
13TH MAY
2PM - 2.45PM

Join us and Allison Parkinson at Orpington Library (bold) for 45 minutes of rhyming fun! Explore with a magnificent tiger and unravel the secrets of a mysterious clock as Allison reads her picture books: *Tiger Tale* and *Tick-Tock*. Stick around for colouring activities afterward. For ages 2-4 and parents/carers.



Scan the QR code
to find out more
and to book.

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May 13th-18th



CHILDREN'S AUTHOR EVENT: E.L.NORRY

Join us at Orpington Library for an exciting event with E.L. Norry (Emma), author of the Fablehouse series for 9-11 year-olds. Emma will discuss the magical adventure series, including Book 2, Heart of Fire, followed by a Q&A and a creative activity for children to take part in.



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**SATURDAY
18TH MAY
10AM - 11AM**



BETTER

CHILDREN'S AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR: MATT ROBERTSON

SATURDAY
18TH MAY
2.30PM -
3.30PM

Join Matt Robertson at Orpington Library to explore the wonders of the natural world by taking part in his awesome quiz and creating your very own wild creature. Matt's books will be on sale and he will be signing all copies. For children aged 5+ and their families.



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Get ready to pack your bags and embark on the adventure of a lifetime! We're thrilled to announce our latest Super Draw prize, and trust us, it's one your supporters won't want to miss out on.

On **Saturday 25th May**, one lucky winner will walk away with a **£1,000 holiday** voucher, opening the doors to endless possibilities for your dream getaway. Already got your summer escape booked? Take the **£1,000 cash alternative!** Treat yourself to a little taste of luxury, or spend it your way at home!

Or why not invite friends and family using our new **Refer a Friend** process? For every person that signs up using their unique referral link, they'll BOTH get an entry into the **exclusive £200 prize draw!**

Simply click the button below to be taken straight over to your **brand-new Refer-a-Friend marketing materials** - all ready to share to social media in just a couple of clicks! [Click Here](#)

