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Outwoods Primary School Newsletter



16th March 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Don't forget
Parents'
Evening!

Although it only seems like a very short while since term started, we are already rapidly approaching the Easter break. How time flies!

Next week on Monday and Wednesday we hope to see as many of you as possible for our Spring parents' evenings. There will also be a book shop in the upper school hall, as the snow interrupted our World Book Day celebrations a couple of weeks ago, we still have plenty of choice of books for all ages at very reasonable prices.

The children have been very busy with their learning, Mrs Taylor and I enjoy walking around the school visiting the classes and seeing the children at work and play as often as we can. What a range of activities, over the last week or so - we have seen wonderful writing, magnificent maths and awesome art work! Not only this, but the singing games the children have been learning for the playground as part of our 'Singing Playgrounds' project have sounded lovely. Well done everybody!

We are always telling our children that they should 'reach for the stars' and not let anything get in the way of them striving for their dreams. This week, we had a visitor in school who has made a successful career for himself, despite the fact life wasn't very kind to him when he was a child, he shared some very important messages with the children about hard work and determination. His words echoed those of the inspirational scientist Stephen Hawking, who died this week:-

"Remember to look up at the stars and not down at your feet. Try to make sense of what you see and wonder about what makes the universe exist. Be curious. And however difficult life may seem, there is always something you can do and succeed at. It matters that you don't just give up." His perseverance and resilience despite living with such a difficult physical condition is proof that we can achieve amazing things if we put our mind to it, whatever our circumstances!



SPORT RELIEF - WEAR SPORTSWEAR

On **Friday - March 23rd** we will be having a whole school fundraising day for Sport Relief following this year's theme 'Whatever Moves You'. We will be having a 'Wear Sportswear' day! The children can come to school wearing sportswear in exchange for a £1 donation to the Sport Relief charity. During the day there will be a range of sporting activities for the children to take part in. There will be a selection of inflatables including an assault course, bouncy castles and even a space hopper steeple chase. The Sky Blues coaches will be running some activities and of course we will be running the Sport Relief Mile on our course around the playground. I'm exhausted just thinking about it! Please make sure the children wear comfortable sports clothing and trainers so that they can join in all activities. If they bring along a small amount of spending money (about 50p or £1) there will be bottled spring water, flavoured water and healthy juice available.



Key Stage One. Reception and Nursery Easter Bonnet Parade



Wednesday March 28th



Lower School Playground at 2:15pm

Children are invited to create an Easter bonnet, cap or hat to parade around the school playground. The children will also be singing their Easter songs.



Please join us for the grand parade and sing-song.

Boiled Egg Decorating Competition

Prizes for all age groups

(Including adults!)

Entries must be in by 3pm on
28th March (Wednesday)

Please make sure all entries
are named clearly!

Entrance Fee 50p per egg.



BINGO!

We are having another one of our popular fun family Bingo Nights in the upper school hall on Tuesday March 27th. Doors will open at 6:30pm and "eyes down" at 7:00 prompt! It is great fun for all the family, so why not come along and see if you can win a few treats?

In order to boost the prizes on offer on the night, we would like to ask for any donations to be sent into school next week. Perhaps you have a few unwanted Christmas gifts gathering dust? Or some groceries that you are happy to donate? As a thank you, all children who bring in a prize for the Bingo will be given a free raffle ticket for the grand Easter raffle. So why not have a rummage in your cupboards this weekend to see if you have anything that might make a good prize? Remember that every penny raised on Bingo night is spent on your child in school.

**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

ATTENDANCE

During the months of January and February our overall attendance was badly affected by the 'flu bug. Most people now seem to have made a good recovery and our attendance has improved. Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success—both in school and in life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child do better at school, develop healthy life habits, and increase their chances of getting good qualifications later in life. When children are absent for fewer days, their maths and English skills often improve—even for those who struggle with their learning. Children who attend school regularly also feel more connected to their community, develop important social skills and friendships, and are significantly more likely to leave high school with good exam results, setting them up for a strong future. But when children are absent for an average of just two days of school per month—even when the absences are excused- it can have a negative impact. These absences can affect children as early as nursery or reception.



Dates For Your Diary UPDATED 16th March 2018 -

Please note dates are often added to these lists so please look out for updates.

- Monday 19th March - Reception 'Animal Experience' Visitor
- Monday 19th March - PARENTS EVENING 1 (this is split over 2 nights)
- Wednesday 21st March - Swimming gala
- Wednesday 21st March - PARENTS EVENING 2
- Thursday 22nd March 3pm - Year 1 and Reception Class share time
- Friday 23rd March - Sport Relief - DAY OF SPORT - wear sportswear & activities **'Whatever Moves You!'**
- Tuesday 27th March - Easter Family Fun Bingo
- Wednesday 28th March - Have boiled eggs in for competition (by 3pm)
- Wednesday 28th March - 2:30pm - Early Years and KS1 Easter bonnet parade
- Thursday 29th March 2:30pm - 5N (Newts) class assembly
- Thursday 29th March - Nursery visit to Ash End Farm
- Thursday 29th March - School closes for Easter - Attendance assembly
- Monday 16th April - Back to school
- Wednesday 18th April 5pm- YEAR 4 parents meeting for Sherwood Forest
- Tuesday 1st May - KS1 SATS begin
- Monday 7th May - School closed for May Day
- Tuesday 8th May 6:30pm - Nursery new intake parents meeting
- Thursday 10th May 2:30pm - Reception Butterflies class assembly
- Monday 14th May - Year 6 SATS begin
- Monday 14th - Wednesday 16th May - Year Four residential to Sherwood Forest
- Thursday 17th May 2:30pm - Year 4 Foxes class assembly
- Friday 18th May - Whole school picnic and royal wedding party
- Thursday 24th May 2:30pm - 5B class assembly
- Friday 25th May - Break up for half term
- Tuesday 5th June - Children back to school (no school on 4th June - training day)
- Thursday 7th June 2:30pm - Year 1N Class assembly
- Thursday 7th June - Rounders Tournament (after school)
- Thursday 14th June 2:30pm - Reception Swans class assembly
- Tuesday 19th June - 6:30 - Reception new intake parents meeting
- Thursday 21st June - SPORTS DAY
- Friday 22nd June - Nursery Sports day
- Thursday 28th June 2:30pm - Year 3H class assembly
- Thursday 5th July - INDUCTION DAY and Open Evening
- Tuesday 17th July - Discos (not year 6)
- Wednesday 18th July 2pm - Music concert
- Thursday 19th July - 9am - Year 6 Leavers Service
- Thursday 19th July - 6pm - 8pm - Year six party (prom)
- Friday 20th July 9am - End of year assembly
- Friday 20th July - Break up for Summer Holiday
- Tuesday 4th September - Children back at school
- WE BREAK UP FOR OCTOBER HALF TERM THIS YEAR ON THURSDAY 25TH OCTOBER - BACK ON NOVEMBER 5TH





Easter Holiday Club

Tuesday 3rd - Friday 13th April

As well as our usual activities and resources, we also have some exciting theme days that children might like to take part in.



WEEK 1
EASTER CRAFTS
EGG HUNT
EASTER BAKING

Cinema Trip - Monday 9th
Join us at the flicks, we will take the train and relax at the movies, additional cost of £5.





WEEK 2
PLANTING/GARDENING
PICNIC IN THE PARK
SPRING CRAFTS

see overleaf for more details



Super Stars Outwoods

Super Stars host a whole range of age appropriate, free choice activities and resources from construction, small world, games and computers to arts and crafts and quiet reading areas, as well as a large outdoor environment.

For children age 3 - 11 years
Hosted at Outwoods Primary School. CV9 1EH

Run by professional and fully qualified staff with enhanced DBS.
All children are required to be registered with us. Registration forms can be sent out on request or filled out on your first day.

Times and prices
Super Stars is open from 9am until 5pm
School day 9am-3pm - £15 - 3pm-5pm £3.00 per hour
Bring your own packed lunch, all other meals, snacks and drinks provided.
Additional children receive a 10% discount with a full paying sibling.

Booking is easy
Email us - superstarsatherstone@yahoo.com
Call us - 07922 541454

Holiday club needs to be booked and paid for in advance to guarantee your space.

Super Stars - Outwoods
in association with Little Stars Nursery, Mancetter.




Litter Problem

We have noticed that there is an increasing amount of litter being dropped in and around the school. Please ensure that all litter and rubbish is placed in the bins provided on school grounds, and help make our school clean and tidy at all times.

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HOME ABOUT CURRICULUM BLOG GALLERY CONTACT

Welcome to Outwoods Primary School

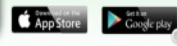


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Download our new school app!

Search "Outwoods" on the Apple or Google play store to download for free!

- Push notifications direct from the school
- Easy, clear access to our website
- Important dates and information
- And much, much more!

Please make sure you keep the office up to date with all your contact details, including your most recent mobile phone number and your email address.

Our school website is full of information and is currently being redesigned you can find it at:-
www.ops.warwickshire.sch.uk

If you would like to look at your child's class page they are constantly being updated with news and photographs. You can also download the 'Outwoods app' free from the App store or Google Play.

Don't forget you can follow us on Twitter @OutwoodsAth ? We also have a Friends of Outwoods Facebook group. Both accounts are secure and monitored by school staff.