

Friday 7th March 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have really enjoyed celebrating 'World Book Day' this week and as always, the staff have provided so many fun experiences to encourage the children's love of reading and writing. The children loved dressing up yesterday and Miss Saunders lead a fantastic interactive assembly around the text 'You Choose' by Nick Sarratt and Pippa Goodhart. She got everyone involved in helping myself and Mr Copsey choose various outfits, pets, modes of transport and many more things from the book. It was beautifully narrated by Year 2 children and the hall was filled with lots of laughter and very excited children! In class children enjoyed making their own versions of the book.

Throughout the week the children have also been listening to an array of stories read by staff across the school in our Oatlands version of 'The Masked Reader'. Faces and voices were disguised and children needed to look very carefully at the clues to work out who was reading each of the stories. In today's assembly we did the big reveal, which as you can image was very exciting!

We have enjoyed welcoming our Year 1 parents to Maths workshops this week. The children enjoyed showing the parents their problem-solving skills and we were so pleased that so many parents were able to attend. We are looking forward to welcoming Reception parents to our 'Characteristics of Effective Learning' workshops next week.

We hope those of you attending the PTA quiz on Saturday evening have a great time, whilst raising lots of money for the school.

Enjoy a sunny weekend.

Tanya Mooney

Key Dates Next Week

Monday 10th March	9:15-10:00 Ladybirds- Characteristics of effective learning workshop
Tuesday 11th	9:15-10:00 Butterflies- Characteristics of effective learning workshop
Tuesday 11th	7:30-9:00 PTA Meeting- All welcome
Wednesday 12th	9:00-10:00 Send Coffee Morning
Friday 14th	9:15-10:00 Bumblebees- Characteristics of effective learning workshop.

Spring Term Parent Consultations- Open from 4.00 Today

The Spring Term parent consultations will be taking place in school on Thursday 20th March and Tuesday 25th March 2025.

Self-booking is open from 4.00 today until Sunday 16th March at 10 pm. To book your parent consultation you will need to log into Arbor: <https://oatlands-surrey.uk.arbor.sc/> Unfortunately, Arbor only allows us to schedule one time-slot per child. Should you require an additional time-slot (if parents are separated and cannot attend together. for example), please book one slot and contact the school office to arrange the additional meeting.

If you have any problems accessing Arbor or have forgotten your login details, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Parents Consultations- Creche

We are pleased to let you know that we are able to facilitate child care at both of our parent's evenings from 4:00pm. Please bare this in mind when booking your appointments.

If you have an appointment before 4:00 and you trust that your child is able to sit sensibly outside the classroom whilst you meet the teacher this will be allowed. However, please note that this will not be appropriate for Reception children. We hope this arrangement will support all parents to attend.

Considerate Parking

Sadly, we have been contacted by local residents regarding inconsiderate parking by Oatlands parents. Please ensure you leave plenty of time to get to school and if you need to drive, park considerately and within the law. It is **not** acceptable to park over driveways, on double yellow or zig zag lines.

SEND Coffee Morning- 12th March

Join us for a coffee, a biscuit and a chat on Wednesday 12th March at 9am. Being a parent of a SEND child can feel lonely and overwhelming so why not come along to meet other like-minded parents to share experiences, advice and helpful hints. Everyone is welcome! (diagnosis or not)

PTA Oatlands Spring Ball 2025- 10th May

Saturday 10th May - 7pm start - Oatlands Park Hotel

www.pta-events.co.uk/oatlands

Tickets now available for our popular Spring Ball - last year they sold out within hours so we recommend purchasing promptly! 200 tickets will initially be released with potential to release a further 40 depending on table requests and seating plan.

If you do have people you would like to sit with for dinner, table requests should be emailed to osspringball@gmail.com - (12 people max per table), but if not, that is totally OK! Tables will be made up of same classes / year groups where possible.

PTA Oatlands Camping Weekend 11-13th July 2025

The weekend is an amazing opportunity to get to know your fellow Oatlands parents and enjoy time with your children and their friends. Even if you've never camped before, this is a great way to get started. If you're intrigued and would like to know more details about the weekend, you're welcome to join our social at the Oatlands Chaser on 13th March from 8pm where this year's organisers will tell you all about it.

www.oatlandscamping.co.uk

Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing in the school or community, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL). DSL- Tanya Mooney, Head Teacher. DSL- Phil Copsey, Deputy Head Teacher or DSL-Kelly Grindle, Oscar Manager and Nurture Lead.

Updates to the Website