

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had an enjoyable bank holiday weekend and have been enjoying the sunshine this week.

It is hard to believe that we are approaching half term and are making plans for the children's transitions to their new year groups or school. Sometimes over the year the dynamics of a year group may change and we feel that children would benefit from a reshuffle as they move into their new year groups. This year both Reception and Year 1 children will be mixed. A lot of thought goes into creating the new classes with staff taking into consideration factors including friendships, attainment, gender and behaviour. Staff will be working on classes over the coming weeks and you will find out what class your child will be in on Move up day, which falls on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

We have many transition activities arranged for our Year 2 children going to Cleves over the coming weeks. Mrs Isaac has already had the first of many meetings with Mrs Grafton, the SENDco at Cleves. We are also looking forward to welcoming Jessica Ainley-Robinson, Year 3 teacher and leader to Oatlands next week. She will be spending two full days with us getting to know the year 2 children and understanding all of their needs.

We are all very excited about the PTA ball on Saturday and seeing all of our glamorous parents! We hope that everyone has an amazing evening whilst raising money to support our fabulous school. Thank you everyone!

We also hope families enjoy the Oatlands Fayre on Saturday and wish Mrs Chilver and the street dancers the best of luck. I'm sure they will be amazing!

Tanya Mooney

### **Key Dates Next Week**

Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1 visit to Oatlands recreation ground
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Whole school Music assembly
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	6:30-8:30 pm Neurodiversity Talk

### **Class Photos**

Look out for an e-mail sent today with a link to your class's photos

### **Save the date - Understanding and Supporting Neurodiversity with Laura Kerbey - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May.**

We are delighted to be welcoming Neurodiversity expert Laura Kerbey to Oatlands on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May (6.30pm - 8.30pm) to speak on the topic of Neurodivergence in children. Please save the date in your diaries.

### **Name Labels**

We recommend that all school clothes are labelled with your child's name. The PTA now have fundraising partnerships with Stikins and My Name Tags. It will not cost you

anything but the PTA will earn a 24-30% commission on any sales if you purchase from either of these companies and enter our fundraising ID during the checkout process.

Stikins <https://www.stikins.co.uk> - ID 14825

My Name Tags <http://www.mynametags.com> - ID 37152

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### **Online Safety**

Please be aware some children have mentioned an online viral You Tube series called Skippidy Toilet which is not appropriate for school age children.

Whilst the series is not available on You Tube Kids, we do recommend having a look at our school website e-safety pages and the information from National Online Safety on age-inappropriate content

[NOS - Age-inappropriate Content \(oatlands.surrey.sch.uk\)](https://www.nos.org.uk/resources/age-inappropriate-content)

### **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 or Deputy DSL- Phil Copsey, Deputy Head Teacher.

### **Updates to the Website**

PTA meeting minutes and Community Information have been added.