Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much Toni! We had the first of our Forest school experiences this week with year 1 children heading to the field in their waterproofs and wellies. The children and adults had a wonderful time being outdoors exploring some great activities, which ended with a campfire and S'mores! What a fabulous addition to the curriculum! Thank you to all of the parents who came along, we really appreciate your time and enthusiasm. Year 2 children are looking forward to heading for the field for their turn next week.

Year 2 parents have joined their children this week for maths workshops. They all enjoyed finding out about some of the strategies used to teach maths in Year 2 and having the opportunity to be in school with the children. We had an amazing turn out, thank you.

It was lovely to see so many proud parents at our consultations earlier in the week. We are looking forward to our second evening next Thursday.

Carina Mackenzie, PTA chair and a team of parents have been busy preparing for Sunday's community relay. We hope you have a great day and have the opportunity to meet some more friends at the same time. Good luck everyone! Tanya Mooney

Key Dates Next Week

Forest School

Tuesday 22nd Lion Class
Wednesday 23rd Tiger Class
Thursday 24th Leopard Class

Other Events

Tuesday 22nd All year groups- flu vaccinations
Thursday 24th 17:00-19:30 Parent Consultations

Friday 25th 9:15- 10:00 Year 1 parents only-Harvest Assembly

Harvest Food Collection – Local Foodbanks

Please remember to bring in your Harvest Donations from Monday. Boxes for donations will be placed outside by the Year 2 trim trail and in the main playground by the menu board. We appreciate your generosity.

Considerate Parking

Sadly, local residents have again reported that some of our parents and carers have been parking & driving unsafely at school drop off and pick up times.

We would like to remind parents that if you live close to the school please try to walk or cycle where possible. If you must drive, please park safely and be considerate of our neighbours when parking your car. Please also be mindful of children trying to cross the road, giving them space to cross safely and give them the priority wherever possible.

In addition, we have been advised that parents/carers are parking in the Oatlands Village Club carpark. This car park is private and is only to be used by members of the club and not members of the public. Please do not park in this car park when dropping or picking up from school.

Flu Vaccinations

Nurses from Children and Family Health Surrey will be in school on Tuesday to deliver the nasal flu vaccination to all children with consent. To prepare them, we will be showing the children the videos 'What to Expect'

https://www.youtube.com/shorts/2fX0Fg3zZoE

And 'Flu Heroes' https://youtu.be/1jHWwm8NQUw?si=DU-kcSx_frSzlrz in class. Please also watch them with your child over the weekend so they understand why it is important to be vaccinated and what they can expect on Tuesday. If you would like your child to be vaccinated but have missed the e-portal sign up, please go to http://www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk/ where you can fill in a consent form to be referred to a local clinic for vaccination.

Individual Photos

Have you ordered your Individual school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school is **Sunday 27th October.** Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit www.tempest-orders.co.uk If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

School Readiness Workshops

The School Nurses are running a number of 'School Readiness' workshops for parents of Reception children who are still getting used to new routines and may be facing issues with such things as separation anxiety, bedwetting, dental hygiene, healthy eating, sleep etc. If you would like to join one of these virtual workshops. Click HERE https://calendly.com/csh-schoolready to sign yourself up.

PTA Sponsored Relay 2024 - Sunday 20th October from 1pm

We are looking forward to over 75 Oatlands children participating in the relay event this Sunday. If you signed up, you should have received details of your portion of the route in an envelope in your child's bag – please contact ptachair@oatlands.surrey.sch.uk asap if you didn't receive this, or if your child is ill or can no longer participate.

7 relay routes will begin at the school gates at 1pm. If you are running later or did not sign up to participate, you are very welcome to come and cheer on the starting runners. All routes will also end at the school gates. A WhatsApp group has been established to track the routes on the day, build excitement and share photographs and videos - the link is available through class reps.

The fundraising page is now open

at www.JustGiving.com/campaign/oatlandsrelay2024

Please give generously to help us to fund valuable resources for the school. Thank you

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 and Nurture Lead.

Updates to the Website