#### Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November

# Dear Parents and Carers,

And so, we reach the end of a very chilly week! Butterfly class showed such resilience when they went for the last of our Forest school days on Tuesday. The rain was relentless but they managed to take part in all the activities and enjoyed warming up around the fire at the end of their session. I hope you will all agree that Forest school has been a wonderful addition to our curriculum and will join me in thanking Mrs. Willemse for all her work in making it happen! We look forward to her return in the spring term for our next sessions.

The Davey family were quite overwhelmed last Friday with the generous donations made for Great Ormond street hospital. At Oatlands alone, over £500 was raised and across both schools over £2000. We are all so proud of George for instigating this charity event and the bravery and positivity that he continues to show. I know Mr Davey is also taking part in a fitness race 'HYROX' at the end of the month to support GOSH.

Valentina Deli and Kitchen kindly returned last night to host the PTA wine tasting evening. Everyone had a wonderful evening catching up whilst having the opportunity to sample some delicious wines and nibbles. We look forward to hearing further feedback and how much money was raised at our next PTA meeting on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 7:30pm. Please remember all parents are part of the PTA and are very welcome to come along.

As you may know, Mr Carrol is not with us at the moment and we do not have anyone doing the crossing. I have been in touch with 'Safer travel Surrey' and whilst they are not able to recruit whilst Mr Carrol is still an employee we are able to seek volunteers. On the job training and a hi vis jacket would be provided. If anyone is interested in helping us with this invaluable role for the next few weeks please contact the school via <u>info@oatlands.surrey.sch.uk</u>.

Our amazing Year 2 choir will be performing at the Oatlands Winter Fayre tomorrow at 11:30 so please do go along to St Mary's Church to support them.

Have a good weekend.

Tanya Mooney

# Key Dates Next Week

Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school- Author visit
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Whole school- Drama performance

# Cate Douglas - Author Visit – Tuesday 26th November

Next Tuesday Cate Douglas, author of Poppy's Tail is coming to Oatlands to read to our Reception and Year 1 children. Cate will be selling copies of her book and a selection of tails at the end of the day at the front of school. If you would like to preorder the book and/or tail you can do so by completing the order form which came home in your child's book bag today.

# **Cleves- Prospective Parent Tours**

Cleves are hosting Prospective Parent Tours for parents/carers of children who are currently in Y2. Tours will be held on the following dates:

#### Monday 25<sup>th</sup> - 9am & 1.15pm

# Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> - 9am Thursday 28<sup>th</sup>-9am & 1.15pm

Please call Cleves reception to book a place 01932 224300.

# **PTA Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who attended this week's PTA wine tasting evening. Valentina's Weybridge hosted an incredible event which raised around £1,250. This year the PTA have committed to donating a minimum amount of £27,500 to the school comprising £15,000 towards general school resources, and new one-off projects including a sound cloud for the school hall, a new projector and resources for the sensory room. The money raised at social events such as the wine tasting is vital to enhancing our children's school experience - and hopefully everyone had a lot of fun as well! If you would like to sign up to give a regular monthly donation to the PTA please

visit https://donate.justgiving.com/charity/oatlandsschoolpta/donation-amount

# PTA Easyfundraising

Oatlands School PTA are now registered with Easyfundraising which provides a commission to the PTA \*at no cost to you\* every time you spend when you access your regular shopping brands through the Easyfundraising platform. There are thousands of brands listed including most of the major supermarkets, department stores, clothing and toy brands; one parent has even already used the platform to book their holiday!

Please download the app or register on the website and add us as your chosen cause: <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/support-a-good-cause/step-</u>1/?char=367693&invite=1d4ovs&referral-campaign=c2s&utm\_campaign=webreferral (if you use this referral link the PTA will also earn an additional £5 per active supporter). You can then search by brand for anywhere you shop. Easyfundraising will re-direct you to the brand's own app or website, and you can check out your shopping as usual (it's fine to browse or add to your basket without using Easyfundraising but just make sure you get redirected for the actual checkout).

# **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