

## Weekly Newsletter 14th November 2022



### Right of the Fortnight: Article 27: Your Right to a Good Standard of Living



#### Dear Parents/Carers

As the **World Cup** approaches, we would like to take this time to celebrate **British Values** in school. England's first match kicks off on **Monday, 21 November at 1pm**. Children will have the opportunity to come together and watch the match live, if they wish to do so. We have families from Iran so there will be support for both teams within the Oakdene family. For those children who do not wish to watch the game, activities will continue in classrooms. Subsequent matches (25th and 29th November) take place at evening times.

During the World Cup season, children will partake in a number of related activities, learning about **competition** teams, **countries** & **culture** plus an opportunity for some **geography flag retrieval**!

#### Reception Places for September 2023

If your child was born between 1st September 2018 and 31 August 2019, they will be able to start school in September 2023. Parents and carers must apply online for a reception place at Oakdene via the Stockton Borough Council website.

**Please keep checking the dates for the diary page as new dates are being added each week!**

Wishing you a fantastic week!

Mrs E Bramley and Mrs S Osborne

It was fantastic to welcome so many parents & carers of Y2D & Y2/3 Willows' pupils to a Remembrance-themed **Open Morning**. Activities included playing with games & toys from the past (including wartime), baking gingerbread remembrance cross biscuits, creating a Poppy Field piece of artwork and Mrs Osborne shared our approach to reading in Y2. Parents & carers were invited to browse our reading book scheme, look at resources and find out how we prepare children for the end of KS1 SATs.



## Dates For Your Diary - Autumn Term

Week commencing 14th Nov:	UK Parliament Week Parent Consultation Evenings (blended offer phone & face to face)
Wed 16th Nov	9.10am Open Morning for Parents & Carers of Y4 Pupils Football Competition
Fri 18th Nov	1.30p.m. Northern Children Book Festival Event: 9.00am - Assist Stockton, Parent Carer Forum Coffee Morning Children In Need Day (non-uniform)
Fri 25th Nov	Y1 Visit to the North York Moors - One Snowy Night Y2 Visit to Preston Park
Fri 2nd Dec	Friends Of Oakdene Christmas Fayre
Tues 6th Dec	Y4 TVMS Snappy Christmas at Thornaby Pavilion PM - Mock Wedding for Reception Pupils
Thurs 8th Dec	Christmas Lunch for Pupils & Staff
Fri 9th Dec	Nursery Open Morning and Afternoon (times to be confirmed)
Tues 13th Dec	Nasal Flu Spray
Wed and Thurs 14th and 15th Dec	2.00pm Nativity Performance for Parents & Carers of Reception, Y1, Y2 and Willows
Fri 16th Dec	10.00am Tableau at St Luke's Church for Parents & Carers of Y3 & Y4 Reception Theatre Visit 'How to Catch a Star'
Mon 19th Dec	9.10am Christingle at Oakdene for Parents & Carers of Y5 & Y6 AM and PM Little Sycamores and Nursery Christmas Parties AM Reception Christmas Party
Tues 20th Dec	PM Y1 & Y2 Christmas Parties AM Y3 & Y4 Christmas Parties PM Y5 & Y6 Christmas Parties <b>Break up for Christmas Holiday</b>



**Wednesday, 21st December 2022 to  
Tuesday, 3rd January 2023  
Christmas Holiday**

**Wednesday, 4th January 2023 Spring Term Commences  
Pupils Return to School**

## REMINDER

**If you have a child with Special Educational Needs,  
Mrs Farnaby (SENDCO) invites you to come along  
at 9.00am on Friday, 18th November 2022.**



## REMINDER

Once again the Rights Respecting Steering Group would like to support Children in Need Day on Friday, 18th November 2022.

This year's theme is:

*'Do your part to change young lives'*.

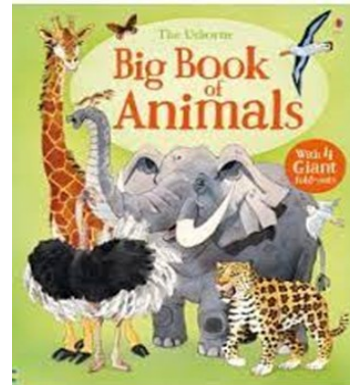
Non-uniform or pyjamas are welcomed. Whatever your child chooses to come dressed in, please just make sure that it is appropriate for the school day, eg, sensible shoes for playtime.

We would like to encourage the children to bring in a voluntary donation (£1 suggestion) to contribute towards this fundraiser.



## Recommended Read

This week's recommended read is from Miss Leonard  
**'The Usborne Big Book of Animals'**  
by Hazel Maskell



This is a fabulous book filled with enormous animals, from the mighty elephant to the amazing colossal squid and the blue whale. Huge fold-out pages reveal some of the tallest, longest, fastest, heaviest and most dangerous animals in the world, with facts and measurements.

It also includes internet links to websites with video clips and more amazing information.

**Non-Fiction November** With the **FIFA World Cup** starting this Sunday, we're all primed to kick-start the football fun with the **World Cup Reading Challenge** live event on Friday, followed by a Premier League Takeover on 9 December.

**Authors Venessa Taylor & Priscilla Mante** will lead the way with their own book battle. Can they take the Cup before you even leave the tunnel?

Author **Matt Oldfield** will present his predictions on who will be the stars of the upcoming tournament, while **Seth Burkett** will give his tips and tricks on what footy skills to practise and perfect.

**Alex Bellos** and **Ben Lyttleton** will commentate the World Cup Reading Challenge all the way to the final and announce our World Cup winners!



Week Ending 11th November 2022  
Stars of the Week at Oakdene Primary Academy

Class	Star of the Week 	Star Reader 	Star Writer 
Morning Nursery Mrs Guest	Michael Smith	Alex Smith	Isla Featherstone
Afternoon Nursery Mrs Guest	Izabella Matthews	Harper Cooper	N/A
YR Miss Robinson	Amani Mohammad	Charlie Beken	Elsie Dinsdale-Swales
Willows Mrs Farnaby & Mr Brown	Mason Lavender	Eliza Copland	Joshua Wood
Y1L Miss Leonard	Niamh Bellew	Riley Titlestad	Freddie Bell
Y2D Mrs Durham	Scarlett Allon	Sophie Squires	Lewis Harris
Y3/4H Mr Horkan	Holly Hill	Lily Lloyd	Amez Ali
Y3L Mrs Lorgan	Ellis Fearn	Landon Quinn	Dolly Rogers
Y4S Miss Smith	Holly Stapleton	Ellie Smith-Sewell	Phoebe Donnelly
Y5W Mrs Wilson	Kaveesha Soyza	Haiden-Marc Cotterill	Connor Bateman
Y5M Mr McConnell	Joe Gardiner-Jukes	Aiden-James Finley	Kaci-Leigh Moody-Blackburn
Y6B Miss Bestwick	Robyn Kirk	Millie Weetman	Benjamin Jardine

Star of the Week: High no of Dojos, Rights Respecting both in class & at lunchtime, PE Readiness, read at home, learnt spellings etc  
Star Reader: Read at least minimum number of times depending on key stage therefore in Reading Raffle, using myON at home etc  
Star Writer: Joined handwriting, presentation of written work, creative content, quality/quantity of written work, correct letter sizes etc