



Oldbury Park Primary School

Weekly Words 28

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Dates for your diary

(Additions / changes in **bold italics**)

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| Mon 6 May | Bank Holiday: no children in school Clubs start again this week |
| Tue 7 May | Year 2 SATs for the next 3 weeks |
| Wed 8 May | Year 4 Cricket at WCCC 2.15pm Jade Morgan (FSW) to see parents- please ring ahead for appointment |
| Thu 9 May | Year 1 Multi-skills at CWLC Year 2 Yoga Session in school Year 6 Yoga Session in school |
| Fri 10 May | 9.15am KS1 Parent Assembly Year 5/6 Orienteering at Lakeside |
| Mon 13 May | Year 6 SATs this week 3.30pm Year 5/6 Home Cricket Match vs Pitmaston |
| Thu 16 May | Year 5 Trip to Space Centre, Leic |
| Fri 17 May | 9.15am KS2 Parent Assembly |
| Mon 20 May | 2pm Reception / Year 1 Parent Workshop |
| Tue 21 May | Year 6 Day with staff from CWLC at Oldbury and lunch at CWLC 1-3pm Y5 Cricket Team at Ombersley - letter to follow 6.30pm Meeting for Year 6 Parents with staff from CWLC |
| Wed 22 May | Class photos Iain Sweatman (CSO) to talk to Y6 re transition to High School |
| Thu 23 May | Polling Day in Main School Hall |
| Fri 24 May | PTA Bake-a-Cake No Assembly for Parents 9.15am Year 6 'Museum' for Parents Break up for Half-Term Holiday |
| Mon 3 Jun | Back to School Year 5 Bikeability this week 3.30pm Home Y5/6 Girls Football Match vs Pitmaston |
| Wed 5 Jun | 1-3pm Y6 Cricket Team at Perdisswell - letter to follow 6pm Reception New Entrants Parents' Information Evening |
| Fri 7 Jun | 12.30-3pm Y6 Girls Team Away Football Match vs Cherry Orchard Primary |
| Mon 10 Jun | Y5 Bikeability this week Y1 Phonics Screening this week 3.30pm Y5/6 Boys Home Cricket Match vs Hollymount |
| Wed 12 Jun | 1-3pm Year 6 Girls Cricket Team at Droitwich - letter to follow |
| Thu 13 Jun | 6.00 for 6.45 Arena Song + Dance |
| Tue 18 Jun | 1pm Y3/4 to Arena for Big Sing |
| Fri 21 Jun | Teacher Training Day - no children |
| Fri 19 Jul | Last day of term for children |
| Mon 22 Jul | Teacher Education Day |
| Mon 2 Sep | Teacher Education Days |
| Tue 3 Sep | No children in school |
| Wed 4 Sep | Children back to school |
| Fri 25 Oct | Break up for Half-Term Holiday |
| Mon 4 Nov | Back to School |
| Fri 20 Dec | Break up for Christmas |

No Clubs this week

Year 6 Breakfast Club Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

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| Mon | 29 | Apr | Teacher Training Day - no children |
| Tue | 30 | Apr | Children back to school Oak Forest School |
| Wed | 1 | May | Walk to School Wednesday 2LJ Forest School Y5 Netball Match at Kings Playing Fields |
| Thu | 2 | May | Polling Day in Main School Hall Year 4 Swimming Starts 3C Forest School |
| Fri | 3 | May | No Parent Assembly Ash Forest School |

Attendance

Week Ending: 5th April 2019

| Class | Percentage | Total number of children arriving late to school |
|-----------|--------------------------|---|
| 3M | 98.57 - Well Done | 60 This was 48 last week. Please keep trying to be in school on time! Thank you. |
| 6W | 98.00 | |
| 3C | 97.00 | |
| 4M | 96.90 | |
| 2KJ | 96.25 | |
| 4A | 96.00 | |
| 6H | 95.48 | |
| Ash | 94.53 | |
| Oak | 94.14 | |
| 5S | 93.79 | |
| Willow | 93.57 | |
| 5M | 93.33 | |
| 2LJ | 91.30 | |
| MAB | 85.00 | |

Dear Parents

You will see what a busy week it has been in school this week from all the reports in this Weekly Words! The children have had so many different experiences as well as working hard in class.

For those of you who attended the Chocolate Bingo, you will know what a great night it was! Thank you to the PTA for all your hard work to make it so much fun.

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Holton as one of our Lunchtime Supervisors. Thank you for everything you have done to care for our children and we wish you well.

Have a lovely Easter everybody and I hope the sun shines. Thank you for your continued support. Sarah Boyce

Year 5 Dance Group

On Tuesday, 26 Year 5 children took part in a dance performance at the University Arena. They were amongst three schools which had learnt a dance routine with a student, over four weeks of PE lessons. Our teacher was Miss Emma, from the University. The afternoon was filled with a warm up and rehearsals. The children then had the opportunity to perform the dance routine 'Live!' This they did with great enthusiasm and smiles all round. Mrs Screen



Year 5 Dance Performance.



Dance with Miss Emma



Keep Smiling

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Matches on Monday

It was a busy, wet Monday night for some of the Year 6 children this week.

A cricket team took on Pitmaston in what turned out to be an indoor match and a boy's football team played Hollymount in a friendly fixture. Some of the Year 6 children played a competitive 'pairs' match for the first time and coped with the challenge superbly well.

Oldbury scored 87 runs but lost 15 wickets (losing 5 runs off their score per wicket lost) and Pitmaston scored 89 runs but only lost 11 wickets. This meant that Pitmaston were eventual winners by 22 runs.

In the football, it was a highly competitive match, but goals were hard to come by. The boys showed great spirit and kept going in difficult conditions. In the end, Hollymount won a close encounter 1-0. The match again provided several children with their first experience of competitive football and the fixtures on a Monday night will continue after Easter.

Thank you for supporting these events. Mr Williams – Assistant Head and PE Co-ordinator.

Year 1 Visit St Clements Church

On Tuesday afternoon the Year 1 children walked to St Clements Church.

The children had the chance to look around the church and learn about some of the key features. We looked at important things such as the alter, the font, the beautiful stain glass windows, the candles, the pulpit and the organ.

One of the things that we learnt was that a long time ago not everyone could read and the stained glass windows told the story of Jesus.

Sarah, the Vicar, said that the Church is open most Saturdays and she would love to see some of the children visiting with their families. Mrs Pritchard – RE Co-ordinator.



Arena Event on 13th June

You should now have received a letter with details of our upcoming 'Dance and Song Extravaganza' to be held at the University Arena in June. We are looking into the possibility of local businesses providing sponsorship in order to assist with the considerable costs of running the event. In return, businesses could benefit from their name being on t-shirts, programmes or tickets, or having a banner displayed at the event itself. If this is something that you may be interested in, please call the office and Mrs Tudge will be in touch. Thank you. Mrs Tudge – Event Organiser

Violin Assembly

On Wednesday, Daniel Neville, our peripatetic violin teacher, joined us for our Key Stage 2 Assembly. The children enjoyed listening to performances on the violin, viola and electric violin. They also learned a little bit about the instruments and asked some very interesting questions. Mr Neville is able to take on more pupils to receive lessons in school after Easter. If you would like more information about what he can offer, please see Miss Hill. Miss Hill – Music Co-ordinator.

Year 6 Reading Session

On Tuesday, Year 6 parents were invited into school to take part in a reading session with their children. We discussed the range of questions the children are expected to be able to answer in Year 6 and looked at how they can be misinterpreted. The children shared the reading of a text with their parents and answered questions based on it. It was lovely to see so many parents - thank you for your support. The Year 6 Team.



Ukulele Club Concert Spring 2019

On Tuesday, the Key Stage Two Ukulele Club children invited their parents and friends to enjoy the music and songs they have learnt during this term. After a musical warm-up activity, the children played several catchy tunes in their different groups. The beginners group, who have only been playing this term, amazed us with their developing skills by playing, 'You are my Sunshine'. This was followed by the intermediate group who played just using individual strings, 'I know what to do!'. Then the Year Six group played one of their favourite songs from Jungle Book. The finale, where all the children played together started with, 'How much is that doggie?' followed by a 'race' through an old favourite, 'Michael Finnegan'. The children played so well together and ended up with the teachers racing to keep up with them! Thank you to all the parents and friends who came to support the children and especially to the Worcester Ukulele Club volunteers who come to school to teach the children every week. Next term's club is almost full so we look forward to hearing more great music in the future. Well done children! Mrs Phillips – Deputy Headteacher

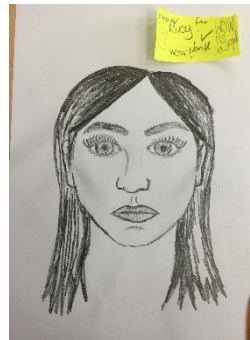
Year 4 Parent Workshop – Wednesday 10th April

Year 4 invited parents and friends to a portrait workshop on Wednesday afternoon. The children have been learning how to draw a self-portrait in class and they were very keen to share their expertise to help parents and friends to do the same!

It was a very exciting afternoon, which started off with a video clip with lots of hints and tips for drawing a portrait. Then the children helped their parents and friends to draw some very high quality self-portraits.



A selection of some of the masterpieces created during the workshop:



Everyone had the opportunity to look at all of the art work at the end of the afternoon.

Many thanks to everyone who joined us to make the afternoon so successful. Miss Moule & Miss Taylor

Reception Children

On Tuesday 30th April please can the Reception children bring in a photograph of something special they have enjoyed over the Easter holiday? Many thanks – The Reception Team

Rotary Quiz

We had a very exciting morning last Friday when the Rotary Club came in to run a quiz for the Year 5 children. There were four teams of four children and they all competed extremely well and worked hard to answer some very challenging questions. Here are some of them that they knew:

- How long is Hadrian's Wall?
- How many points do you get for potting the black ball in snooker?
- Which King was killed at the battle of Bosworth?
- Which is the biggest state of the United States of America?
- When was the Battle of Hastings?

The winning team and second team all received vouchers for Paperchase from the Rotary. The winning team was made up of Maryam, Kouai, Dan and Georgina. The runners up team was George, Holly, Jagoda and Liam. Well done to you all! The school is grateful to the Rotary Club for supporting Oldbury Park in many different ways. Mrs Boyce.

Year 4 DT Workshop at the University

On Thursday, some of the Year 4 children chose to take part in a DT workshop lead by staff and students at the University of Worcester. The focus of the day was healthy eating and the changes we can make to be healthier.

Throughout the day the children took part in lots of activities. In the classroom, the students had organised four activities based around the Eat-Well plate and hygiene. The children sorted foods into the different food groups, designed their own lunchboxes with healthy choices, used food scanners to find out the sugar content of various foods and finally, used a UV light that showed the bacteria on our hands! The children found all of these activities very interesting and were all very engaged in what they were doing.

In the kitchen, the University had arranged for the children to make pizzas! After making sure they had washed their hands, they started by mixing together flour, water and oil to create the dough. After this, the children kneaded their dough and rolled it into shape. The students at the University also showed the children how to chop vegetables safely which the children found very useful when chopping their own toppings for their pizzas!

Towards the end of the session, the children were also shown how to wash up properly and made a very good job of tidying their own work stations! Just before we left to return to school, all of the children ate their lunches together and had a taste of the pizzas they had made.

All of the children have been engaged with their learning all day and have been a credit to Oldbury Park. They have all had a fantastic day!

Thank you to the University of Worcester for providing this opportunity and thank you for supporting the children with bringing packed lunches. Miss Moule – Year 4 Teacher



Health Seminar at the University

Year 5 visited The Sheila Scott Building on Wednesday and Thursday to take part in activities relating to healthy bodies, healthy minds and learning about basic life support.

The activities were led by trainee nurses who supported the children excellently. Initially, the children were all issued with tunics to bring them into the nursing community. We tried chest compressions on Baby Annie to the song of Baby Shark - the children thought this was a great way of learning how to save a life. Ask the children why? We also thought about how we can keep our minds healthy through the use of relaxation techniques and glitter tubes. When it came to washing hands, the children were put to the test, placing their hands under an ultra-violet light. There were plenty of gasps when they realised just how dirty their hands were. Fortunately, we were shown how to wash our hands properly. Finally, the children discussed food, coming to the realisation that they sometimes eat too much sugar or don't think about how much is in certain foods.

In Year 5, we are now aiming to use this learning to be more mindful and helpful inside and outside of school. A very insightful trip and the children represented the school excellently. Well done Year 5!

Mr Mills and Mrs Screen



Outdoor Learning for Year 5

Over the past four weeks, Year 5 have taken part in some exciting opportunities on Thursday afternoons. Each child was given the choice between participating in dance workshops or outdoor learning sessions - all run by students from Worcester University. Those that chose orienteering, experienced a variety of activities involving nature walks, using four point grid references and locating items using the eight points on a compass. The children were constantly active and clearly enjoyed the chance to take their learning outdoors. A great experience which we hope to repeat as the weather improves. Mr Mills – Year 5 Teacher



Year 4 Orienteering

On Thursday, a 'Primary Education in the Outdoors' Student from the University visited some of the Year 4 children to lead an Orienteering Experience on the school field. The children played games based around the points of the compass and had to find a series of shapes on the field recording their location and position. Prizes were awarded for those who found all 18 shapes! The children worked well together and even had a go at creating their own maps using the knowledge learnt. The most exciting part of the afternoon was the final activity which saw the children taking part in an Easter Egg Hunt and finding as many chocolate eggs as they could. We think we found them all! The children enjoyed the whole afternoon and commented that they hoped they could do similar activities again soon. Miss Doughty – Year 4 Teacher

End Polio Now and Iron Lung Assembly

In our Key Stage Two Assembly on Thursday, the children from Years 3, 4 and 5 welcomed two visitors from Thornbury Rotary Club who came to speak about the 'End Polio Now' Campaign. The School supported the campaign earlier this term with proceeds from our February Bake-a-Cake Day.

At this week's assembly, our visitors Terry and Richard spoke to the children about the work done worldwide by health professionals to eradicate polio from the countries where it is still prevalent. Funds raised by the Rotary Club are matched by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to pay for inoculations in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria so that children and their families no longer have to worry about this devastating virus. The good news is that there were only ten recorded cases of polio in the last year, so it is hoped that it will soon completely eradicated worldwide.

During the assembly, the children were able to see an iron lung which was used to help support breathing when children with polio were unable to breathe for themselves. Mr Costello from Year 3 volunteered to lie in the iron lung to demonstrate how it was used. Our thanks to the Rotary Members who gave us such an informative talk and helped us to understand the significance of inoculations to keep us fit and healthy.



PTA News

A huge, huge thank you to everyone involved in our Chocolate Bingo Night. It was a massive success as our first big event as a new PTA team. The feedback we have had is fantastic. Thank you to all who came and to everyone who donated chocolate. We made a grand total profit of £412.56 which will help pay for the climbing wall on the day of the summer fete!!!

Newsflash : have just heard that the Staff have raised an additional £40 in the staffroom for their raffle, bringing the total to over **£450!!**

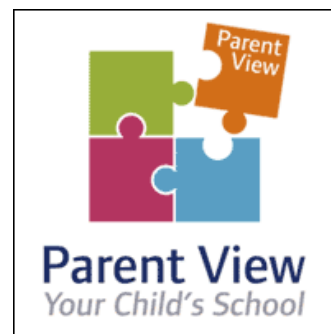
We hope you have a lovely Easter and we look forward to our next event and will keep you posted!

Tell us what you think!

Please let us know what you think of our school. The 'Parent View' questionnaire, designed by Ofsted, is available online for all parents and carers to record their thoughts and impressions about our school.

If you have five minutes to spare, please access the questionnaire and answer the questions about your child at Oldbury Park.

This information can be used by Ofsted during an inspection but it is always valuable feedback for us so that we can make your child's time at Oldbury Park the best that it can be! Please click on the link below to complete the questionnaire: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> Thank you.



Are you looking for information and advice for children and young people with special educational needs and / or disabilities?

The SEND Local Offer provides information about what support and services families can expect to be available across education, health and social care in Worcestershire, including for children and young people who do not have an Education, Health Care Plan.

Visit the SEND Local Offer website: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/sendlocaloffer or ask for a leaflet from the school office. You will find information about professional services, support groups and activities for children and young people. Mr Burnage – Assistant Head / SENCO

Free Easter Multi-Sport Activities

Running from 15th April until 26th April at various venues around Worcester.

For more information call 07523 514858 or email activecommworcs@freedom-leisure.co.uk

Easter Holiday Football

Kidderminster Harriers Community Trust will be holding Easter Football courses for children aged 5-14 years. Courses will run 10am-3pm. Cost £10 per day, £20 for two, £27 for three or £35 for four days. Younger children (5-7 years) can attend for half a day @ £5 per morning/afternoon. The Strikers and GoalKeeper days will focus on scoring and saving goals, including Goal of the Day and Save of the Day competitions plus our regular 6-a-side tournament. The venues include:

Droitwich, Dodderhill School - Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th April,
Malvern, Dyson Perrins Academy – Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th,
Worcester, Bishop Perowne College - Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th.

To reserve a place please send your child's name, age, any medical conditions and an emergency contact to harrierscommunity@hotmail.co.uk or call 01562 863821.

Easter Football

West Worcester Youth Easter Football Camp is on Tuesday 16th, Wednesday 17th and Thursday 18th April at Temple Laugherne, Lower Broadheath. £15 per day, 9am – 3.15pm. Open to girls and boys school years 2-8, all abilities welcome. For more information or to book please contact Simon Hill on 07973 353 569 or email chairman.wwyfc@outlook.com

Easter at St John's Library

Friday, 12 April - Springtastic Songs & Storytime - 10.30-11am.

Calling all under 5s Hop this way to a fun filled session.

Saturday, 13 April – Saturday, 27 April - Spring Picture Trail - Drop in anytime.

Thursday, 18 April - Crafts & Games - 1.00– 4.00pm.

Thursday, 18 April - Family Film Show - 2pm

Please refer to St John's Library Facebook Page or visit St John's Library and ask a member of staff to book your place!