



# Oldbury Park Primary RSA Academy

**Weekly Words 18**

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## Dates for your diary (Additions / changes in **bold italics**)

Mon 3 Feb	Year 6 to the University for PE
<b>Tue 4 Feb</b>	<b>Year 5 (5T) trip to Tudor House</b>
Wed 5 Feb	Y4 Cricket Session in school day
<b>Thu 6 Feb</b>	<b>Year 5 (5W) trip to Tudor House</b>
<b>Fri 7 Feb</b>	<b>9.15am KS1+R Parent Assembly</b> <b>Year 6 to Art Gallery Museum</b>
Mon 10 Feb	Wellbeing Curriculum Week Year 6 to the University for PE 4.30-7.00pm Parent Consultations
Tue 11 Feb	National E-Safety Day Last Year 4 Cricket Session Early Maths for Reception Parents 9.15am – RC – Flagpole Entrance 2.30pm – RH – Flagpole Entrance
Wed 12 Feb	Last Year 4 Cricket Session 3.30-6.00pm Parent Consultations
Thu 13 Feb	9.15am Year 5 Wartime Party for parents and grandparents.
Fri 14 Feb	No Parent Assembly <b>1.15pm Year 4 Girls Football with Abbeywood First School</b> Break up for half-term holiday
Mon 24 Feb	Back to school <b>3.30pm Home Netball Match vs St George's Catholic School</b>
<b>Wed 26 Feb</b>	<b>10-2.30pm RSA4 to the Arena</b>
<b>Thu 27 Feb</b>	<b>10am Yr 5 to The Hive for RSA5</b>
<b>Fri 28 Feb</b>	<b>9.15am KS2 Parent Assembly</b>
<b>Fri 6 Mar</b>	<b>9.15am KS1+R Parent Assembly</b>
Fri 3 Apr	Break up for Easter holiday
Mon 20 Apr	Back to school
Fri 8 May	Bank Holiday Monday
Fri 22 May	Break up for half-term holiday
Mon 1 Jun	Back to school
Fri 17 Jul	1.30 Break up for summer holiday
Mon 20 Jul	Teacher Education Day No children in school today

### Medicines on Trips

Please note that if your child needs travel sickness medication for any school trip, including Young Voices, it must be prescribed and not bought over the counter. A form will need to be completed which can be obtained from the office so that medicines can be administered. Thank you.

## Clubs this week Forest School Week 1

Mon	27	Jan	Year 1/2 Holly Class Forest School Phonics Session for R Parents 9.15am RH Flagpole Entrance 2.30pm RC Flagpole Entrance Year 6 to the University for PE Y6 Football (away) Match vs St Barnabas
Tue	28	Jan	Young Voices for KS2 RC Forest School
Wed	29	Jan	Walk to School Wednesday Year 4 Cricket Session in school day RH Forest School
Thu	30	Jan	-
Fri	31	Jan	9.15am KS2 Assembly for Parents Year 1/2 Multi-Skills Tournament vs Abbeywood First School in school day 3TM Forest School

## Attendance

Week Ending: 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Class	Percentage	Total number of children arriving late to school
<b>Holly</b>	<b>98.57 Well Done</b>	77  This was 63 last week.  Please keep trying to be in school on time!  Thank you.
5W	98.33	
Maple	97.93	
3TM	97.73	
RH	97.08	
4C	96.21	
4S	96.33	
3JM	96.02	
6M	95.67	
5T	95.17	
Beech	93.10	
6H	93.00	
RC	90.17	
MAB	76.67	

## Forest School

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
Week 1 : 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 1/2 Holly Class (Mrs Pritchard / Ms Hall)	RC (Mrs Cartwright)	RH (Miss Hall)	<b>3TM (Mrs Marks)</b> Year 1/2 Beech Class (Mrs Stallwood)
Week 2 : 3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	Year 1/2 Maple Class (Mrs Iqbal)	RC (Mrs Cartwright)	RH (Miss Hall)	3JM (Mr Mills)
Week 3 : 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 1/2 Holly Class (Mrs Pritchard / Ms Hall)	RC (Mrs Cartwright)	RH (Miss Hall)	Year 1/2 Beech Class (Mrs Stallwood)
Week 4 : 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 1/2 Maple Class (Mrs Iqbal)	RC (Mrs Cartwright)	RH (Miss Hall)	3TM (Mrs Marks)

*Dear All*

*Thank you for all your very kind comments following my letter on Tuesday to let you know that I am going to finish working at Oldbury Park in the summer. These messages mean so much and reinforce my feeling that I have been so lucky to have known you and your children over the years. What a privilege! I have loved my job. Thank you.*

*I'm not going yet - still lots to do before the end of July!*

*Happy weekend!  
Sarah Boyce*

### **Netball Match Report : Oldbury vs Cranham**

The Oldbury Park Netball Team had their first match of the year against a strong team from Cranham Primary School. They were led from the centre by Team Captain, Emma. The girls played extremely well, with plenty of defending and some tricky passes. Millie and Immy managed to get nine goals for us but Cranham's goal shooters were precise and managed to notch up 16 goals. Player of the match goes to Iska for her determination and energy throughout the match. Well done ladies.  
Mrs Screen - Netball Coach



### **Football Report for Match vs Cranham**

On Monday, the Year 6 football team played their first game of the season, with Cranham the visiting team. Many of the boys were playing their first school match and it was great to see some other players who do not normally play football outside of school, playing in their first game of competitive football. Cranham had a skilful and strong team and this made it hard for the boys.

They battled well though and despite conceding goals in the first half, they kept going, coming close to scoring on two notable occasions in the second half. Cranham ended up victorious by six goals to nil. The boys represented the school well and are keen to improve further in their next game against St Barnabas. Mr Williams – Assistant Head and PE Co-ordinator



## **Year 6 Visit to The Hive**

On Wednesday, Year 6 walked to The Hive to conduct some research into Victorian inventions. During our visit, we learned how to search the library using the catalogue search on the computers to find the books we need. The children were also shown how to use the Dewey Decimal System to find various books around the library.

When researching for the Victorians, the children were very good at finding the books they needed to sit down and read for the important information; using the content and index pages.

After this, we had lunch in the library and had the chance to borrow books to take home. The Hive is an excellent resource in our community and we would like to thank them for creating an exciting and useful morning for the children. Their searching skills will be very useful for extra revision at high school!



## **Breakfast for Young Voices**

If your child is going to Young Voices on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January and would like a cooked breakfast in school before we leave, please order a Main / Vegetarian meal online on the Aspens Services website as soon as possible. If you are unsure how to do this, please call Sonia our Chef, on 01905 427197 between 7.30am and 3pm. You can also email her on [oldbury.park@aspens-services.com](mailto:oldbury.park@aspens-services.com) Thank you.

## **Young Voices**

We are very excited about our trip on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January. Here is a summary of the day and reminders:

- \* Children to wear plain white t-shirt / Young Voices t-shirt and uniform trousers / skirt
- \* Cooked breakfast for those who have ordered it, or a snack sent with your child from home
- \* Arrive at the Resort World Arena in time for a packed lunch sent with your child from home
- \* Break after rehearsals for a packed tea sent with your child from home
- \* 7.00pm performance
- \* 11.00pm meet parents back at school (We will text to inform you of any major changes to this)  
Please park on the road and enter through the pedestrian gate or the main driveway on foot.  
Year 3/4 to be collected from the KS1 playground in normal way.  
Year 5/6 to be collected from Main Hall flagpole door.
- \* Wednesday: children can come into school at either the normal time of 8.45am, or at 10.30am if they are able to have a little lie in, but please do not arrive between these times.

Please call if you have any queries about the day. It should be an exciting day. If anything goes wrong on the evening, Young Voices insist you complain there and then to give them every opportunity to sort it out. Many thanks for the fantastic support for this opportunity.

## **Young Voices Food Donation**

Young Voices supports several charities, FARESHARE, a charity for the homeless, being one of them. They ask if schools are able to support them by each child bringing a tin of food. If you would like to make a donation, please put it in your child's bag for them to add it to the collection at the arena.

## An Explorer Visits Oldbury Park

On Wednesday, in Year 4, we had an exciting afternoon! We had a visit from Jamie Buchanan-Dunlop, an RSA Fellow who has also been to the Arctic. We invited him in to share his adventures with us. He told us his last Arctic adventure was six weeks living in an Arctic village. The average temperature was  $-35^{\circ}\text{C}$ , which we all agreed was extremely cold. We learned that the snow in the Arctic is very fine like sand, and the Arctic is actually designated as a desert. Jamie told us that he visited the British Arctic Station in Svalbard- which is the fastest warming place on the Earth.

The children discussed glaciers and icebergs with Jamie. They knew crevasses form in glaciers and these could be covered over, therefore making it extremely dangerous for Arctic explorers to investigate. The children saw some beautiful pictures, taken by Jamie, of the Aurora Borealis. Did you know that with all the beautiful colours of the Aurora Borealis, you never see red?

Jamie then went on to discuss the research going on in the Arctic, especially with plastic pollution in the Arctic Ocean and rising water levels. This was a topic that definitely sparked the children's interest as they had a lot to say and plenty of opinions on how to reduce the plastic pollution on our planet.

We talked about the clothing that Arctic explorers need to wear, so, with Jamie's help, Riley was layered up - 31 layers to be precise! Jamie talked about the hardships that the explorers and the researchers go through. They have huskies to pull their sledges, and native dogs from Greenland, similar to a wolf, to guard the station against polar bears.

The youngest person Jamie has ever known to visit the Arctic, was a Year 4 child! This fact inspired all our budding explorers and researchers of the near future. What a wonderful opportunity for our children to meet Jamie this week. Mrs Screen





## **RSA4 Social Action Project**

On Tuesday, ten ambassadors from Year 4 journeyed to Sutton Park Primary School RSA for our first meeting of our exciting project. Once there, we were joined by four other schools: Kitwell Primary School, St Stephens RSA, Allens Croft Primary and of course our hosts, Sutton Park RSA. We discussed how life goes on outside schools and what it means to be a part of that community.

We also debated the benefit of social action and made a Community Code that helped us through some powerful social scenarios in role play. We developed a local community map of our neighbouring area and were quite amazed by all the different locations and amenities we have on our doorstep. We will be sharing all of our first day with Year 4 in order to take the project forward.  
Mrs Screen - RSA4 Project Co-ordinator



## **Year 4 Swimming**

Please can we remind parents that children need to wear appropriate clothing for swimming. This is trunks for boys (NOT loose fitting swim shorts) and a one-piece costume for girls (preferably not 'frilly' or with excess fabric). This is due to health and safety and the guidance that we have to follow from Worcestershire County Council, Perdisswell Leisure Centre and ASA (Swimming Association).

The guidance also states that all ear-rings should be removed for swimming lessons. If however this is not possible then ear studs can be taped using waterproof tape that needs to be provided by parents.

If you have any problems please see Miss Doughty (Swimming coordinator).