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Occold Primary School News

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Message from Miss Rowe

What a busy start to 2022 we've had in school! We said a sad farewell to Mrs Watts just before Christmas but I am pleased to report that she has settled in well to her new position at St Peter & St Paul Primary School, Eye. It is a privilege to take over the role of Head of School and I would like to thank everyone for their support so far.

Our staff have been very busy preparing Rabbit Class' move to the village hall and have aptly named their new location, 'The Burrow'. This is an exciting new venture for the whole school.

I am delighted to announce that we will be welcoming back Katy Bental as an artist in residence 9—10th March. She will be working with all of the children and helping them to create a pop-up exhibition. More information will be sent out in the near future.

Unfortunately, our Forest School Leader is unable to continue working with us on Fridays. We are working very hard to find a replacement but have not managed to do so yet. Therefore, after half-term, Year 2, 4 and 6 will be working with their class teachers on Friday mornings and Reception will be doing gardening with Mrs Anderson. Year 1, 3 and 5 will continue to go swimming until Easter.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Don't forget that children can get dressed up as their favourite book character on Thursday 3rd March to celebrate World Book Day. Please bring £1 to support this charity. Parents and carers are invited to a talk about reading with Miss Rowe at 1:45 and then to stay and share some books with their child.



Notices

- Parents' evenings 1st and 2nd March (please book on Arbor)
- Reception children need warm clothes suitable for gardening on Fridays
- Year 5/6 will not need their brass instrument on Wednesday 16th March as we will be having a visit from a Viking reenactment group instead
- Otter Class are going back in time to the stone age on Thursday 17th March!
- Year 6 have a transition morning at Hartismere High School Friday 18th March. They will be collected and returned to school by Hartismere
- Rabbits and Hedgehogs will be enjoying a Banham Zoo Roadshow at school on 31st March



The Friends will be holding a chocolate bingo on 1st April 2022 in the village hall. There will be a non-uniform day for children on Friday 25th March to support this event. We would be really grateful if you could send your child to school with a chocolate Easter egg which can be used as a prize at the bingo.

POETRY BY
HEART

We are very excited to announce that the Poetry By Heart competition will return this year for Key Stage 2 children. Those that choose to enter will be performing their poems in the village hall on 23rd March. We are looking forward to welcoming back families and friends to watch this year. We will send out more information in the near future.