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# Occold Primary School News

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*A message from Miss Rowe*

Hello everyone,

February has flown by but we have managed to pack in lots of exciting events nonetheless. At the beginning of the month, we had a fun day celebrating the NSPCC Number Day. Children and staff dressed up as their favourite numbers and we completed a range of exciting number based activities, including; cracking a code to enter a suitcase, making chocolate brownies and budgeting holidays for the teachers!

The whole school spent an inspiring afternoon with Paralympian Sean Rose. They completed circuits in the village hall and loved hearing about Sean's inspirational sporting successes. The sponsored circuits raised an incredible £810! So thank you very much to families and friends who contributed by sponsoring the children. The money will be split between the Sports for Schools charity and Occold Primary. We will be using the money to purchase some outdoor playtime equipment.

We are very pleased to announce that our Friends of the school have a new committee and will therefore be able to continue fundraising in aid of the school. Welcome to Gemma Harris (Chair), Rachel Howard (secretary) and Nicky Carter (Treasurer). Thank you very much for taking this over.

Poetry By Heart season will soon be upon us. It is brilliant to see so many children in Key Stage 2 have signed up to take part and they are busily preparing. We have split the event of two days as a result of high uptake. The freestyle event will be held first on March 9th. This is a non-competitive event. The classic competition will take place on Thursday 14th March.

Best wishes for the rest of this half term.

## Notice Board

- **Thursday 2nd March** World Book Day
- **Wednesday 8th March** Fox Class perform brass at Snape Maltings
- **Thursday 9th March** Freestyle Poetry By Heart 1:30 in village hall
- **Friday 10th March** author Laura Ellen Anderson visiting school
- **Tuesday 14th March** Poetry By Heart competition 9-12:15 in village hall
- **Friday 24th March** KS2 Cross Country at Mellis Common
- **Thursday 30th March** last day and end of term assembly 1:30 in village hall

## Spotlight on...

We are inviting you to read around the world on World Book Day this March! Join us in the village hall from 1:45.

## Number Day

Here are a few photos from our Number Day activities.



## Safeguarding Update

The government's new online safety bill to protect children and young people is still being considered by parliament. Read about it here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/a-guide-to-the-online-safety-bill>