



At the heart of learning in our community

Occold Primary School News

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A message from Miss Rowe

We have been busy bees in school this term! The children have worked very hard and had the opportunity to engage with a broad range of experiences. We have celebrated sporting success by attending the Key Stage 2 cross country at Mellis Common. We are so proud of the children's positive and determined attitude at this year's run and lots of children placed in the top 20—a brilliant achievement. We are delighted that Talia (Year 3) came 2nd in her race and Otis (Year 3) came 4th in his, meaning they will both go through to the next round.

Thank you for joining us at our special 'Around the World' reading café for this year's World Book Day. It was always fun to see our brilliant costumes in the local newspaper this year! Key Stage 2 also enjoyed meeting the inspiring author/illustrator Laura Ellen Anderson this term.

Rabbit and Hedgehog classes had a fantastic time exploring at Thornham Walk: it was a great way to learn more about their science topic on plants.

Once again, we were bowled over by the amazing performances given at this year's Poetry By Heart competition. It was brilliant that so many children wanted to participate, so we held a special non-competitive 'freestyle' event and our regular 'classic competition'. Everyone gave outstanding recitals. Congratulations to our winners: Alina, Esther and Trixie (Y6) and Gabriel (Y5). Their poems have been recorded and submitted to the national competition so keep your fingers crossed!

Wishing you a very happy Easter holidays.

Celebration at Snape Maltings

Fox Class performed their brass instruments on the world famous concert stage at Snape Maltings this March. It was an incredible experience—their performance was outstanding and they also got to join other schools for a big finale song. You can read more about this amazing opportunity and see more photos on our website.



Safeguarding Update

Perhaps extra screen time will be coming up over the holidays—time to make sure your parental controls are watertight!

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/parental-controls/>

Notice Board

- Mon 17th April children back to school for summer term
- Thurs 20th April Otter Class School Farm and Country Fair
- Weds 3rd May Bag 2 School collection
- Thurs 4th May Boogie Bounce in School
- 9th—12th May Year 6 SATs week

Friday rota for next half term:

Forest school: Reception and Year 4

Swimming: Year 1, 3 and 5

In school: Year 2 and 6

Spotlight on...

Rabbit Class have loved having interactive PSHE sessions with Donna from Drama Tots this term!

Poetry By Heart

Well done to everyone who took part in this year's classic competition or freestyle event!

