

OCCOLD PRIMARY SCHOOL

MARCH 2025
NEWSLETTER



Diary Dates

Tuesday 1st April

Swimming Gala at Framlingham College

Friday 4th April

End of term assembly - Village Hall (2:15pm)

Wednesday 23rd April

Children return to school

Friday 25th April

Friends Soup Lunch

Saturday 26th April

Friends jumble sale

Friday 9th May

**Class & whole school photographs (am)
VE Day celebrations (more info to follow)**

Mon 12th May - Thurs 15th May

SATS week for Year 6

Mon 19th May - Wed 21st May

Book festival 2025!

Farewell to Mrs Graham!

We'd like to say a big thank you to Mrs Graham, one of our wonderful school cleaners, who is retiring after Easter. Mrs Graham has worked in our school for just under 15 years and we'd like to thank her for all her hard work and wish her the very best in the future.

A message from Miss Thornton

We've all been enjoying the spring sunshine over the last week or two in school. It's made our weekly PE and Forest School sessions feel extra special and some classes have enjoyed spring walks around the village. It's also made us feel excited for the Easter break which is just around the corner.

It's been a jam-packed term filled with lots of exciting lessons, trips and enrichment opportunities for our children. All staff are in agreement that the children have definitely earned themselves a well deserved rest! We hope you all enjoy the Easter break.

Please join us for our End of Term assembly in the Village Hall at 2:15pm on Friday.



NEW Early Adopted Breakfast Club

As mentioned recently, our school has been selected to trial a new government breakfast club initiative.

From Wednesday 23rd April, we will be running an additional breakfast club starting at 8:15am every day that is **FREE** for all children who wish to attend.

Please book via Arbor if you'd like your child to attend.

Thank you Friends!

On behalf of the children and staff, we'd like to say a big thank you to the Friends of our school, who have continued to work hard this term to raise money for our school and to organise some lovely events for both children and their families to enjoy.



World Book Day 2025

On Friday 7th March, we had a fabulous morning celebrating World Book Day. Thank you so much to all of you who popped into school at the start of the day to enjoy books and refreshments with your child. During the morning, the children participated in two illustration workshops, followed by a whole school Big Book Quiz. Congratulations to the Yellow and Green team who were our joint winners. We were seriously impressed by Occold's book knowledge!



Poetry by Heart 2025

Well done to our Poetry By Heart Freestyle & Classic performers! They did a marvellous job performing their poems on stage in front of an audience last week. They each received some brilliant feedback from the judges. Some of their performances have been sent off to the National Poetry by Heart judges. Congratulations to Emma, Lola and Alfie who were this year's winners.



Otters

This half term, Otters have been using the story of *The Ice Bear* by Jackie Morris to inspire their English work. They particularly enjoyed using drama to help them decide how to solve a dilemma in the story.



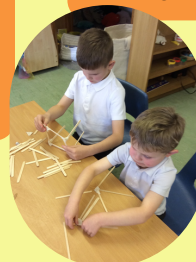
Foxes

This term, Foxes have really enjoyed learning about Natural Disasters in geography. They were particularly interested in the 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami. In English, the children wrote some wonderful poems based on tsunamis, as well as an informative newspaper report.



Rabbits

Rabbit Class have been recreating Pudding Lane in London in 1666. They have made Tudor houses using wooden sticks to make 3D shapes. Keep your eyes peeled to see what happens to the houses when disaster strikes!



To keep up-to-date with all the exciting things which have been happening in school, visit our Facebook Page 'Occold Primary School'.

