

8TH APRIL 2022

A Message From Mr Lillo

Dear Parents and Carers,

Where did the Spring Term go? Although the last few days have felt like winter, when we return after the Easter break we will be in the Summer Term.

We have not had to close our school this year, yet COVID has had, and is still having an impact on the attendance of both pupils and staff. As we approach the Easter season and the end of this term, we reflect on all the good work achieved by all our pupils. We would like to thank the pupils and teachers for their continued hard work and congratulate them on their achievements to date. We would also like to express our thanks to all our voluntary helpers for their contribution to all school activities, however big or small. Your assistance at all times is very much appreciated by both the staff and the pupils. It was lovely to see so many of you join us at the church for our Easter service. The children enjoyed sharing their singing and readings with everyone.

I am really looking forward to the Summer Term and hope that this year we are able to lay on a number of events that parents can attend and start to get back to some normality.

Thank you to Friends of Ryelands for hosting such a great disco this week. The children certainly enjoyed themselves. I know the FOR will be planning a number of key events for the Summer Term.

As we move into summer, remember how important it is that, as a community, we look after one another. Compassion is one of our schools 9 Habit values. It is not something we just want our children to focus on, but all of us. A smile, a listening ear, understanding and support is something we should look to offer to one another as adults and model this for our children. In life it is too easy to moan and criticise. No one is perfect. Let us all look after one another

I hope you all have a great Easter break and come back to school re-energised on Monday 25th April.

With very best Easter wishes from us all here at Oasis Academy Ryelands,

Glenn and the Ryelands Team

Competitions

At the beginning of the week, the Academy MPs had the very difficult job of choosing the best three habitats for an animal-themed Red Nose competition. Entries were judged on creativity, fun and understanding of animal habitats. The competition was fierce as there was a high number of entries per school and lots of the creations were absolutely amazing. The three pupils chosen to represent our school in the Lego competition were:

Edith - Goldfinch

Lena - Woodpecker

Jayden - Heron

Well done to all the participants for their effort and good luck in the big competition, to the three winners!

Also, this week we had the Red Nose draw where 40 lucky children won sweets.

Easter Assembly and Easter Bonnet Competition

On the last day of the Spring term, parents and carers were invited to watch our Special Easter Assembly, at St Luke's Church. Our amazing pupils made us all very proud with their beautiful singing and acting. We couldn't have had a better start to the Easter Holidays.

Like every year, the Easter Bonnet Competition was the main attraction of the event. The children looked fantastic and wore their amazing creations with pride. Father Sam had the difficult task of choosing the most ingenious three. The three lucky winners are:

Elodie - Goldfinch

Georgia - Magpie

Stanley - Raven

Well done to everyone taking part and thank you to those who helped us on the trip.

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Year 4 Multiplication Check - June 2022

All Year 4 children complete a statutory online Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in June. It is important that we adequately prepare our children for this assessment by providing daily opportunities to master their tables up to 12 x 12.



To find out more about the MTC for Year 4, please visit:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1031901/2022_Information_for_parents_Multiplication_tables_check.pdf

Year 6 SATs Preparation Resources

Oak Academy has some highly useful resources, chunked into weekly units, for your Year 5 or 6 children to use at home. [Click here to see their resources.](#)

Our Year 6 children have their statutory end of key stage tests during the week beginning Monday 9th May. Please ensure that your children are in school every day and arrive promptly so that the tests can be administered appropriately. Please also ensure that the children are ready to do their best by having had a decent night's sleep. We will be running a Year 6 SATs breakfast club to help keep the children calm and make sure they all have something to eat each day of SATs. Mrs Francis will be sending out more details after Easter.

Year 2 Assessments 'SATs'

During the month of May, Year 2 children will complete their end of KS1 assessment papers, sometimes referred to as 'SATs'. The children will complete papers in Reading, Maths and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling, and teachers will use the results from these, along with their ongoing, daily assessment, to form a judgement about their attainment at the end of the year. It is very important that all Year 2 children are in school on time every day during the month of May. If you have any questions or concerns, please speak to your child's teacher.

School Uniform

We have a high expectations of how children should dress for school, which includes black school shoes. Thank you to all the parents that comply with this. We are, however, starting to see more trainers appear in school as well as variations to the official school uniform. We will be monitoring this after Easter and having conversations with children and parents. If you are having issues with school uniform please speak to Vanessa in the school office as she has a large stock of nearly new uniform.

Global Goals

Over the last half term, each year group have been focusing on one of the Global Goals. The Global Goals are a set of 17 commitments made by 193 world leaders to end extreme poverty, inequality, and climate change by 2030. As part of this unit, each year group decided on a task that meant they could be Active Changemakers in their local and wider community. We are immensely impressed by the dedication and commitment our young people have shown. They really have made a difference and we hope they take this forward. Here is a flavour of what they have been doing.

Reception

In Reception we encouraged the children to bring in their home recycling and we were so impressed with how much we received. Using the recycling the children created their own new toys, using their fantastic imaginations. The children created models such as rockets, toys and binoculars. The children enjoyed using these in their imaginative play and sharing them with their friends. Some of the models made were so fantastic we have saved these for future learning in the classroom.



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Global Goals (Continued)

Year 1 and 2

Year 2 have been learning about how we can build and support the development of a sustainable world, focusing on Global Goal number 8 and how to ensure decent working conditions and economic growth. Our learning has seen us develop an understanding about fair pay and equal employment opportunities for all globally. We looked at different examples of employment across the world that showcased what sustainable and decent employment can and does look like in different continents. We then learnt about the impact Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale had, how they improved nursing and supported a significant improvement in society's basic standards of living. Having gained this knowledge, we thought about what we could do as a year group to 'be the change' and decided to hold a Jumble Sale (with Year 1) to raise money for charities that support decent working conditions. The whole year group got involved in making flyers to advertise the sale, donating any unwanted toys and books they had at home and then helping with their sale at school. On the day Y1 and 2 managed to raise a total of £91 towards our global goals.



Year 3

Year 3 have been focusing on the global goal of 'life below water'. We have done a lot of research into the charity #2minutebeachclean so the children decided they wanted to contribute by going to Brighton beach and doing a 2-minute beach clean themselves. This week, Year 3 have visited Brighton beach, they collected 3 black sacks of rubbish during their clean up, the children were so motivated to make a difference they continued to clean up the streets of Brighton on their walk back up to the train station. We are extremely proud of all of Year 3 for the great difference they have made and helping stop plastic ending up in the ocean, we hope that their small start inspires you to pick up a piece of rubbish next time you see it.



Year 4

Year 4 have really enjoyed learning about our Life on Land Global Goal. We made some links back to our learning last year where we read 'The Last Tree' and learnt about using resources sustainably. We thought about how deforestation affects our lives through global warming and reducing the amount of oxygen we have. The children felt very passionate about wanting to grow some plants, so we are waiting until after Easter for the growing season to grow some corn and plant it in the school allotment. We also created some clay faces that we are going to bring home today. These are to place on trees and plants so remind others that they are living things, so we need to protect them.

Year 5

Year 5's Global Goal is clean water and sanitation. As a year group, we decided we that we wanted to do a bake sale after school. The children created advertisements to inform the school of our Global Goal and the 'Bake for Bogs'. We had an excellent turn out and managed to make £100! This money will be going towards 'toilet twinning' which will provide a community a safe place to go to the toilet. As well as this, the money will also help communities' education and sanitation programs. Well done Year 5!



Year 6

Year 6 had the focus of GG7 and GG13 (Affordable and Clean Energy / Climate Action). We looked at the amount of food that gets wasted on a daily basis - in schools, households and business. The amount of carbon dioxide released as a result of food waste is immense, we decided to recycle the food we throw away everyday into compost. Using recycled plastic bottles from students in school and waste food from the school canteen, Eagle designed recycled 'rot pots'. The rot pots are good and easy example of how we can do our bit to stop the impact of climate change. Recycling plastic and waste food means less on our landfill sights and more waste being used for good. The children also added sunflower seeds to grow within the 'rot pots' due to their high intake of carbon dioxide from the atmosphere when they are fully flourished. The children sold the rot pots to parents with all proceeds being donated to the Woodlands Trust.



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After School Enrichment Clubs

Enrichment Clubs for Summer Term are now available to book and pay for on MCAS.

Please be aware that in addition to the clubs on MCAS, there is also a Drama club on offer for Key Stage 2 on Wednesdays. This will be run by Jake and Becky from Boo Theatre. Jake and Becky are both professional actors with over ten years' experience & a true passion for teaching & introducing others to the arts. More information on the club and the booking arrangements can be found at the end of this newsletter.

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Mon 11th April - Fri 22nd April	Easter Holiday
Mon 25th April	All children return to school
Thurs 28th April	Asthma Talk - 9:00 in Main Hall
Throughout May	KS1 Assessment window
Mon 9th - Fri 12th May	KS2 SATs
Thurs 19th May	Domestic Violence Meeting - 14:30
Fri 20th May	Class Photos
Fri 27th May	Last day of term. Normal finishing time. Nursery PM - 15:30, Reception, Year 1&2 - 15:20, Years 3-6 - 15:25

Workshop	Lead	Date
Asthma Talk	Samantha Jones from First Aid 4 Staff	Thursday 28th April at 09:00
Domestic Violence	Louise Eaves	Thursday 19th May 2022 at 14:30
SEND – Zones of Regulation focus	Louise Champion & Kris Wallace	Tuesday 7th June 2022 14:30-15:15
Transitions and Behaviour	Louise Eaves	Thursday 9th June 2022 at 14:30
Reception - New Parents Meeting	Emily Carew	Thursday 16th June 2022 time TBC

BOO THEATRE & ENTERTAINMENT

Oasis Ryelands Drama & Performing Arts Club

Wednesdays KS2

Boo Theatre & Entertainment are delighted to be launching our Drama & Performing Arts Club at Oasis Ryelands Primary School for KS2 in the Summer 2022 term.

Boo Theatre is run by Jake & Becky - both professional actors with over ten years' experience & a true passion for teaching & introducing others to the arts. They have both appeared in an array of shows, including currently performing in the Olivier Nominated show 'Oi Frog & Friends' (West End & UK tour). Both Becky & Jake have an array of professional credits between them (The Gruffalo West End, UK and International Tour, Cartoon Network, BBC Doctors, Rapunzel UK tour, CBBC UK Tour, to name a few) and both have performed professionally all over the world. Boo Theatre and Entertainment work alongside a fantastic team of industry professionals & aim to bring our professional experience & knowledge to create fun & creative clubs building on key life skills such as self-confidence, the importance of teamwork, public speaking and reading as well as developing skills in Acting, Song & Dance.

The club will run on:

Wednesdays – KS2 (Years 3-6) from 2nd May– 13th July (10 weeks) from 1530-1630
(There will be no clubs in Half term)

Sessions are **£3 per child per week = £30** for the term.

All bookings are now taken online via our booking site.

Therefore, to register your place – please email bootheatreandentertainment@gmail.com with your son / daughter's name and we will send further instructions as to how to book and secure your place. We hope to see you there!

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CONFIDENCE • COMMUNICATION • CREATIVITY

One of the greatest life skills we can give our children is the ability to communicate confidently.

At the Helen O'Grady Drama Academy, children can learn to do this whilst having an enormous amount of fun. If you want to provide your child with the best possible start in life we can help!

Our classes help our students to:

- Build **confidence** and **self esteem**
- Improve **speech** and **language** skills
- Develop **social interaction** skills
- Improve **listening** and **team work** skills
- Increase **creativity**
- Improve **lateral thinking** skills

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BOOKINGS NOW BEING TAKEN FOR OUR PRODUCTION TERM

CLASS LOCATIONS:

Beckenham, Thornton Heath, Waddon, Purley, Norbury,
Wallington, Croydon (Park Hill), Banstead, Sanderstead,
West Wickham, Chipstead, Upper Norwood, Selsdon



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SWIM SCHOOL SHORT COURSES

Foundation Non-Swimmer 9.00-9.30am
Foundation Top-Up 9.30-10.00am
Development Top-Up 10.00-10.30am

Monday 11th to Thursday 14th April 2022

Tuesday 19th to Friday 22nd April 2022

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