

Overton St Helen's Primary

School family news



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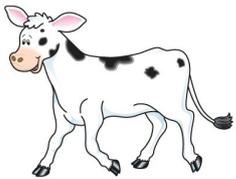
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A GREAT END TO THE HALF -TERM

We have had a fabulous, fun day in school today, all dressed up as animals in order to raise funds for the Wildlife Trust. The place resembled a zoo rather than a school! Thank you to all who sent a small donation—we are pleased to let you know that collectively, we raised a fabulous £210 for the Wildlife trust, so well done School Council for your great idea!



Many thanks also to Lucy and Liam Baxter who brought Batman-Lucy, the four month old calf, to school today so that our younger classes could find out all about her. We had some great questions asked by our pupils, including one who asked whether Batman-Lucy would produce red-top, green-top or blue-top milk when she grows up!



Thank you for supporting our day today by encouraging your children to dress up. It was a lovely way to end our half-term.

SCHOOL PHOTO PROOFS

The school photographer took some fab photos of the children yesterday and will be back in school on Friday 11th June, to take photos of those who were out of school. This will include any sibling groups that were missed. She had issues with her printer yesterday and so proofs will be with you by the end of the first week back after half-term.

ROSE QUEEN 2021

Today we found out who will be our Rose Queen of 2021, voted for by all our Key Stage 2 pupils. Congratulations to Eve Briffett who will be crowned on Friday 9th July.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Well done to Emery, Elise-Marie, Thea, Michael, Isla, Rose, Maicy, Laila and Kieron who were our Stars of the Week for showing both hard-work and enthusiasm. Well done!

MAGNET WARNING

We have heard of a very worrying trend doing the social – media rounds lately, involving very small magnetic balls that can be worn in pairs, between ear lobes or tongues to look like piercings. Two young children have made the headlines this week having accidentally swallowed these magnets causing damage to their stomachs. Sadly, we have seen two of these magnetic balls in school which have thankfully been handed in to us. I would hate for any harm to come to any of our children and so felt I needed to warn you of this and ask you to be vigilant. Please talk to your child about this over the half-term break explaining the dangers of what could happen. I have included a photo of what they look like below so you can see just how small and easy to swallow they are. If any are found in school they will be confiscated immediately.

OUTDOOR AND ADVENTUROUS!

This week, Oak Class had a brilliant day out visiting Warton Crag and taking part in some rock climbing and abseiling. It was wonderful to see our pupils getting out on a trip once more; it was a great experience for them. They were absolutely brilliant, taking a risk, facing their fears and having courage to climb up a rock face and come back down again. Both Mrs Harding and Mr Curwen were very proud.



MRS MAL

We are thrilled and excited to welcome Mrs Mal back to school after half-term. As you know, Mrs Mal ruptured her achilles tendon back in early February. It has been a long healing process but I am pleased to say she will be back with us very soon.

CROSS COUNTRY

It was great to welcome other local schools today to compete in the Sports Network's Cross Country Competition, hosted by us. This was a distanced event where schools visited separately throughout the day. We don't know the final score yet but a huge well done to the runners in our two teams who were the first to represent the school at a sports event, for over 14 months!!

PARENTS EVENING AND REPORTS

On Tuesday 8th June when we return to school, the children will be bringing home letters to book appointments for parents evening on Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th of the following week. We have decided to hold a face-to face parents evening as we feel we can manage this whilst still keeping to restriction guidelines currently imposed on schools. More details of how this will work will be communicated to you after half-term. At these meetings, you will have chance to discuss your child's school report which will be sent out on Monday 14th June, a couple of days before parents evening. We will also be informing children and parents of class organisation for next academic year. Please keep parents evening dates in your diary to ensure you are able to make an appointment for one of the evenings offered. Many thanks.

SUMMER TERM DATES

Below are some key dates for the Summer Term.

Mon 7th June: Staff INSET Day - school closed

Tues 8th June: School reopens after half-term break

Fri 11th June : 'Mop-up' day for school photographs

Mon 14th June: School reports sent home

Wed 16th& Thurs 17th June: Parents meetings

Fri 25th June : Sports Day provisional date—more details to follow

Wed 30th June: Y6 Ripley Transition Day (tbc)

Tues 6th Jul: Maple, Holly and Elm walk to Sunderland Pt (tbc)

Fri 9th July: Rose Queen Celebrations (details tbc)