

# Overton St Helen's Primary

## School family news



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### WORLD BOOK DAY

Next Thursday is World Book Day! At Overton, we like to make an occasion of World Book Day every year...because we simply love books! This year it is extra special as it's 25 years since World Book Day began. As always, children and staff can come to school dressed as a book character—this always makes for a good guessing game in assembly first thing in the morning. We will be pairing up across the school for some shared reading at some point during the day and this year the focus is on diversity. Each class will be choosing a secret book and decorating their class door with clues throughout the day. On Friday, we will all figure out which book each class chose by looking at what they put on their door. Miss Griffin will be cooking a special menu: 'Slughorn's Sausage Roll, Potter's Pomme Noisettes and Bertie Bott's Beans or Roly Poly Four Cheese Ravioli in Tomato Sauce and Gruffalo Garlic Bread, with Charlie's Chocolate Chip Shortbread for pudding. Sounds amazing and it should contribute to what will be a brilliant day in school.

### PANCAKE DAY

Next Tuesday is Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Day! Miss Griffin will be serving up pancakes for pudding that day if you are having a school lunch and then OSFA will be selling pancakes for £1, with an array of toppings, at the end of the day on the bottom playground. You can never have enough pancakes on pancake day!



### STORY WRITING COMPETITION

The School Council's story writing competition reached its deadline today. Entries will be read and judged over the next few days with the winners from each class announced on World Book Day. They will join me and Mrs Barry for a special afternoon tea in the staff room itself, on World Book Day. I can't wait to read the winning entries.

### DISCO

Next Thursday is also OSFA school disco night. If you haven't already reserved a place for your child, please do so as soon as possible so that OSFA can get a good idea of numbers attending. Thanks

### MRS GLOVER MEMORIAL

This afternoon, a few members of our school family helped me plant some snowdrops and a tree at the front of the school, to remember Mrs Glover. You may have spotted it as you left school this evening, especially the little nod to Mrs Glover hiding right under the tree itself. We hope you like it and agree that it will be a fitting, lasting reminder of such a lovely lady, in the spot she occupied for so long. Here are some pictures of us planting up the area.



## **CURLEW ACTION**

This morning Beech and Elm Class walked to Sunderland Point to meet members of Curlew Action and do a spot of bird watching. Because poor Mrs Ingham got struck down with COVID at the end of the half-term break and couldn't be in school this week, I was fortunate to escape my office and go with them. We had a fabulous morning; in the sunshine, observing an array of gorgeous coastal wildlife. And, I know I say this all the time, but I am mightily impressed with our pupils at Overton, for the way they walked over to Sunderland Point, as if it was just a hop, skip and a jump, and then how much they were completely engrossed with what they saw there. Our pupils know the names and attributes of our local wildlife and that makes me super proud. Well done everyone.

## **DATES FOR THE DIARY**



Thurs 3rd Mar - WORLD BOOK DAY

Thurs 3rd Mar - OSFA DISCO

Fri 25th Mar - OSFA 'Mother's Day' Coffee afternoon

Tues 22nd Mar - Science Workshop visiting school

Fri 1st April - School Closes for Easter Holidays

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

Wed 20th April - school photographs

Mon 9th May - Fri 13th May - Y6 SATs week

Fri 27th May - Platinum Jubilee Celebrations in school

Mon 20th June - Y6 Residential visit to Lakeside YMCA begins

Friday 15th July - Rose Queen Festival and Summer Fair

## **STARS OF THE WEEK**

Very well done to Charles in Maple Class, Edie in Holly Class, Teddy in Elm, Harry in Willow, Sophie in Beech and Jake in Oak Class who were our first Stars of the Week of the half-term, for showing a fabulous attitude towards school, working hard, showing perseverance, resilience and responsibility. Amazing!

