



MARCH NEWSLETTER

March 2019

Dear Parents,

I write following yesterday's World Book Day which was most enjoyed by the children. A huge thank you for all the work that resulted in the children looking so magnificent in their costumes. There are photographs of the children participating in World Book Day at the end of this newsletter.

As you are aware our whole school theme this term is Science, and we are just about to begin our special focus fortnight Monday 11th March, with the theme of 'Food, Glorious Food'. Mrs Ilsley is co-ordinating our science weeks, and we have exciting events lined up for the children. Further details about the various activities appear later in the newsletter.

As you will be aware we have finalised our Parents' Evening dates, and these are included in the dates list below. We look forward to meeting with you on one of the evenings, to talk about your child and their progress.

Could I also take this opportunity to remind you that I am the Safeguarding Lead at school and that, should you have any concerns in this respect to come to talk to me about them.

Finally, a thank you for the completed Parent Questionnaires we received. It was very helpful to have your views, both what you like about Radley School, and also where you feel we might make improvements. A summary of the results is attached at the end of this newsletter.

With my very best wishes

Grace Slater
Headteacher

Sports News

In2Hockey Tournament – Year 5

On Wednesday 6th March the Year 5 children went to Tilsley Park for the In2Hockey Tournament. Due to illness, Radley A and Radley B were combined into one team. We played against Longworth, Charlton and Caldecott Primary Schools. Though we did not get through to the next stage, the team played really well and gained experience using wooden sticks on an astro turf pitch.

Thank you to the parents who helped with transport to and from Tilsley Park.

Small Schools Netball Tournament

This competition will be held on Thursday 21st March. The selection letters will be sent out next week.

Mrs Jude Yates
PE Co-Ordinator

Friends of Radley Primary School

Rags2Riches 4 Schools

We have received a cheque from Rags2Riches 4 Schools for the amount of £87.10 for our latest collection. Thank you!

Red Nose Day– Friday 15th March

To join in the fundraising for this important charity we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 15th March. Children can come to school dressed in red and donate £1 for the privilege! We will have a supply of Red Noses for sale at a cost of £1 each from the school office. First come, first served!

Science News

British Science Week takes place from 11th March and this year our theme is 'Food Glorious Food'. During this week the children will be working on a range of exciting Scientific activities and will have an opportunity to do some cooking.

We are taking part in Science Oxford's Big Science Event – children will work in teams on an investigation and will present their findings to their class. The winning teams will then present their investigation to a panel within Science Week.

On Monday 11th March we will be running mixed age Science investigations across the school. This gives the children the opportunity to work on an investigation with different children and possibly different adults.

On Thursday 14th March we have 'Hands On Science' workshops for all classes including topics on Digestion and Healthy Bodies.

On Friday 15th March the children's Home Learning Task will be based on finding out about a Scientist from Today or the Past. We aim to display the children's work in a mixed-age display.

On Tuesday 19th March Cherwell Class will visit Abingdon School Science Laboratory.

On Thursday 21st March we will be judging our annual Science Oxford Investigation Poster Competition. All pupils have the opportunity to work on this project leading up to Science Week. The winning team are then visited by a judge from Science Oxford and we are judged against other Oxfordshire schools. We have been very successful in this competition in the past.

On Friday 22nd March KS2 children will watch some demonstrations by our lunch meal provider about food and bacteria. We will also have a Celebration Science Assembly.

For two weeks we have 'Living Eggs' providing eggs for the children to watch while they hatch, which will be very exciting and hopefully a memorable experience for the children.

Julie Ilsley
Science Co-Ordinator

School Office

Emergency Contact Details - Sims ParentApp

'Sims ParentApp' allows parents to easily update information for their children and contact details securely via the app. Parents can download 'Sims ParentApp' or login through a web browser at <https://parent.sims.co.uk>

Please download the app and check that your details are up to date, so that we can contact you in an emergency. Thank you.

Health and Safety Notice

Should the fire alarm be raised whilst parents are in school, please note that the teachers would take care of the children and escort them to the normal fire assembly point.

Parents' Evenings March 2019

Appointment times for each class are available in the reception area. Please sign your name against the time you would like to meet with your child's class teacher.

School Meals Taster Session

Sarah Smith and Nick White from Oxfordshire County Council, will be holding a school meal taster session on Monday 18th March from 3.30pm until 7pm in the Reception area. All parents are welcome to come and try some of the food that is provided for our school meals.

Easter Service

This will take place in St. James' Church on Thursday 4th April at 9.15am. Parents are very welcome to join us.

Staff Training Days 2019-2020

Please note that school will be closed on the following days for staff training:

Monday 2nd September 2019

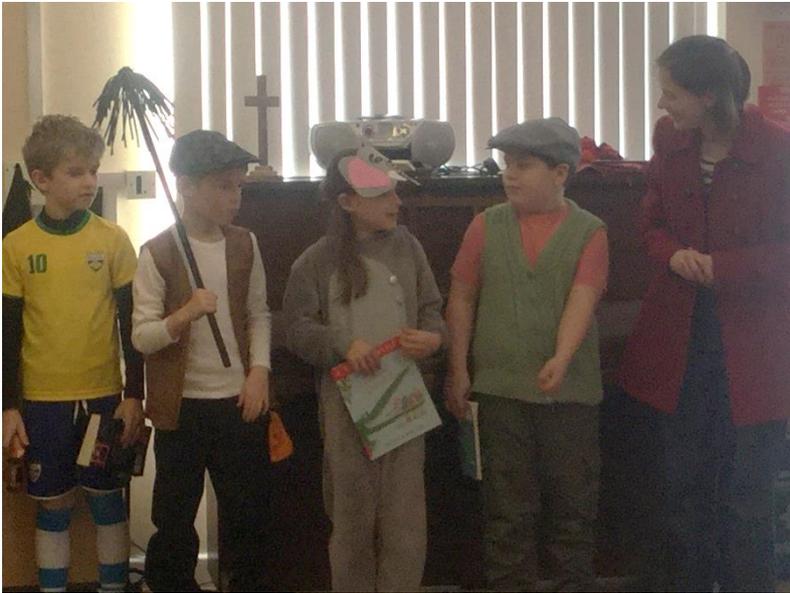
Tuesday 3rd September 2019

Friday 25th October 2019

Friday 14th February 2020

Monday 1st June 2020

World Book Day Photos



Diary Dates

W/c 11th March	British Science Week
Thursday 14th March	Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 6pm (Cherwell/Isis/Thames)
Friday 15th March	Non Uniform Day—Red Nose Day
Monday 18th March	Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 5pm (Reception) Parents' Evening 4pm to 7pm (Cherwell/Isis/Thames) School Meal Taster Session 3.30pm to 7pm
Tuesday 19th March	Cherwell visit to Abingdon School Science Lab
Wednesday 20th March	Isis concert Christchurch in Oxford 11 to 11.30am Parents' Evening 3.30pm to 5pm (Reception)
w/c 25th March	Last week for after school clubs
Monday 25th March	Last swimming lesson for Isis class
Wednesday 27th March	Isis Sheldonian Theatre concert 5pm (Tickets online)
Thursday 4th April	Easter Service in St James' Church 9.15am
Friday 5th April	End of Term School finishes at 1.30pm School Council Cake Sale 1.30pm
8th to 22nd April inc.	Easter break
Tuesday 23rd April	Summer term begins—Back to school



Radley CE Primary School

Parents' and Carers' Views - Spring 2019

45 questionnaires were returned, making one response equal to 2.2%

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Blank or 'Not applicable' as not experienced
1. My child is happy at school.	75.6%	20%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%
2. My child is making good progress.	55.6%	37.8%	4.4%	0.0%	0.0%
3. My child is taught well.	60.0%	40%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
4. My child is well looked after.	77%	17.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
5. I am kept well informed about my child's progress.	31%	57.8%	4.4%	2.2%	0.0%
6. My child feels safe at school.	80%	20%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
7. The school deals with any cases of bullying effectively.	31%	28.9%	2.2%	2.2%	35%
8. The school makes sure that the children are well behaved.	55.6%	37.8%	4.4%	0.0%	2.2%
9. The school is well-led and managed.	73.3%	24.4%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%
10. There is good communication from the school.	48.9%	48.9%	0.0%	2.2%	0.0%
11. The school responds well to any concerns raised.	62.2%	31%	2.2%	0.0%	4.4%
12. My child receives appropriate homework.	35.6%	48.9%	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%
13. I would recommend the school to another parent.	Yes – 97.8%		No – 2.2%		

Thank you for your comments on the questionnaires, both in relation to what you like about the school, and also where you feel we can improve.

As positive features of the school many things were mentioned, but those receiving most comments were: the community feel of the school, the excellent teaching and leadership, the benefits of having a small school, the integration of children across the year groups, and the morals and values of the school.

We appreciated individual comments as to how the school might improve - the highest number of text based comments were around improved feedback / communication with parents, and increasing opportunities to promote physical fitness.

If you have opportunity, and would like to share your views about the school on the official Ofsted website - Parent View - please google: <http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view> or follow the link on the school's website. Thank you,

Grace Slater
Headteacher