# FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## 31st January 2020

#### Dear Parents and Governors

#### Year 4 Assembly and Parent Lunch

A big well done to our Year 4 pupils who performed their assembly on Ancient Greece this week and a huge thank you to the parents and friends who came along to watch and have lunch with the children. We hope you really enjoyed the children's efforts.

#### Australia Day - Non-Uniform - 24th January

A huge thank you to everyone for making our "Australia Day" such a success last Friday! With donations from having a non-school uniform day and the Anzac biscuit sale, we raised £591.63 in total! All of this money raised will go to the Port Macquarie Koala Hospital in New South Wales.

Many thanks to you all for getting behind it!

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Next week

Week 4

#### Parents' Evenings

A reminder that Parents' Evenings will take place on Wednesday 12th February from 5pm to 7.30pm and Thursday 13th February from 4pm to 6.30pm. These evenings give parents the opportunity to have a 10 minute appointment with the class teacher to discuss their child's progress. Confirmation of appointments will be distributed today. Please note there are NO childcare facilities on these evenings.



#### **Book Fayre**

The Book Fayre will be in school during the week beginning Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February to coincide with Parents' Evening. The Book Fayre will be open both before school and after school in the Science Lab just inside the Infant building. We hope that lots of you will visit the fayre and purchase an exciting book as this event enables school to receive many free books for the children to enjoy both in school and at home.

#### Year 4 Maths Team at King Edwards

A big WELL DONE to James, Guhan, Poppy and Shriya who represented Four Oaks at the King Edwards Maths Competition this Thursday. There were 12 schools competing and they did really well coming third overall!

#### Year 4 Swimming



4G will begin their first week of swimming lessons at Wyndley Swimming Baths next week. 4C will begin their lessons after the Half-Term break on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February. This is an annual programme in school as we feel that, just like you, the ability to swim is a life skill that is vitally important!

#### King Edwards Concert Party

We look forward to welcoming the concert party from King Edwards Edgbaston to school next Friday. They will be performing for Year2-Year6 and we hope they inspire all the pupils to take a deeper interest in all things musical!

#### Safer Internet Day 2020

Safer Internet Day this year is on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February. We will be celebrating this day in school with messages of how to be safe on the Internet during assembly and in class the children will be picking up lots of tips about effective use of the World Wide Web. If you would like to support this message at home then just visit https://www.saferinternetday.org/ for lots of fun activities!



#### Year 5 Visit to the RSC Stratford—4th February

We look forward to Year 5's visit to Stratford next week where they will visit the Royal Shakespeare Company and take part in a drama workshop. This will support their work in class as they are immersing themselves in the story of Romeo and Juliet. I'm sure they will come back with many tales of drama and intrique!





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Bumblebees	Joshua	Bumblebees	Reuben
Ladybirds	Taran	Ladybirds	Georgiana
Owls	Scarlett	Owls	Olivia
Hedgehogs	Ned	Hedgehogs	Daisy
Turtles	Ava	Turtles	Erin
Sharks	The Whole Class	Sharks	Esme
3E	Isaac	3E	Maisie
3R	Maya	3R	Oliver T.
4 <i>C</i>	Lily H.	4 <i>C</i>	The Whole Class
4 <i>G</i>	Oscar	46	The Whole Class
5 <i>C</i>	Laci	5 <i>C</i>	Kyan
5 <i>G</i>	Ellen	5 <i>G</i>	Reuben
6E	Kareena	6E	Flynn
6W	Hannah	6W	Cian

#### Courtesy Cup Winners ~ last week

### Aaryan / Sara-Sophia Lily / Athier

Reception	Olivia / Hector	
Year 1	Mahaan / Charlotte B.	
Year 2	Libby / Julia	
Year 3	Francesca / Oliver D.	
Year 4	Erin / Cole	
Year 5	Henry / Freddie	
Year 6	Henry J. / Priya	



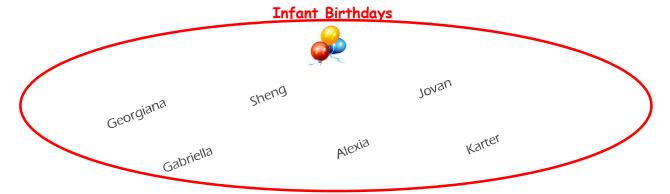
Reception Year 1 Year 2 Noah / Sonny Year 3 Olive / Harry St. Year 4 Freddie H./Alex W. Year 5 Thomas / Scarlett Year 6 Maya / Madeline



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#### School Dinners—Juniors

Can parents please ensure they respond to any SchoolMoney requests for payments for school meals. Any problems with payments please contact Mrs Johnson in the Junior office.

#### Thank You!

Two of our former pupils Isabel and George P., came into school recently to kindly donate some books that they were no longer using. Thank you to them both for their thoughtful gift. We have distributed the books around the Junior classrooms.



#### Half-Term

A reminder that school closes for the half-term break on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February. School will re-open for pupils on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February. We hope that all pupils and families enjoy the rest and get to re-charge their batteries

#### Well-Being Extra-Curricular Club

We have been hosting an after school pupil well-being club now since the start of September and it is proving really successful. Below is a little excerpt from a newsletter sent to the parents of the children involved this half-term which may interest you.

#### What we did

We talked about worries, touched upon types of worries and the major focus was on understanding the role of the brain/mind in creating these worries, making us feel in certain ways. We did this through watching a video

Children learned about the different parts of the brain and the connection to causing body sensations. This was followed by an activity (filling a worry jar).

Like always, we also did physical activities (burpees this time) and breath work with guided meditation to calm restless minds.

#### How you can help your child at home

Please find attached a video that I have created that I hope may help you.

https://youtu.be/aLvYTx1/BsI

If you are interested in learning more, or in your child joining this club, then just call the club leader, Mrs Baba, on 07515737805



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#### Comedy Night—7th February

The PTA Comedy Night is on Friday 7th February, please see the attached flyer for all the information. Tickets are still on sale so don't delay in snapping up the last few!



#### PTA 200 Club

The winners of the January draw are:

£50 No 53 Mrs A Samra

£10 No 95 Mrs J Winhall

£10 No 92 Mrs S. Hewlett

Voucher No 52 Mrs Birha

Voucher no. 23 Mrs S Clements

Congratulations!

#### ICT Tip of the Week

"With over 14 million daily users, Discord is one of the most popular communication tools for gamers. It allows you to create or join what are known as 'servers', where different users can talk in groups via text message or voice call. There is also the option to send direct messages and make video calls. If children use this service, they may come into contact with inappropriate content, and content of an adult nature. You do not need an app to access the service and so it can be difficult to monitor. As always, please ensure you know what children are accessing online and know what they are doing is safe."

If you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me. Yours sincerely

Mr M Benton

Head Teacher

