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NEWSLETTER

Oliver Goldsmith Primary School

Friday 28th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and that you have managed to find some sunny times between the very rainy month we have had so far.

Your children have been amazing and this has been noticed when we have had the Local Authority visit and the one day HMI monitoring day this month. A very busy time for us all in school!!

It is always great to get your children's thoughts and ideas and they have looked at our environment. This means we are going to try and not send letters but put everything on our website and class blogs. Please keep checking the website for news and events.

We have had been working on introducing extra curricular activities to add more enrichment to your child's education as we start to ease out of lock down. Some of the things we are pleased to have been able to organise are:

- ◊ Working with a poetry expert from the East-side project on street poetry in key stage 2.
- ◊ Science week activities planned for after the half term. Look out for fun things to try at home too.
- ◊ A visit from a PE specialist to introduce new lunch time and break time play activities.
- ◊ Artist from the South London Gallery inspired the children and staff.

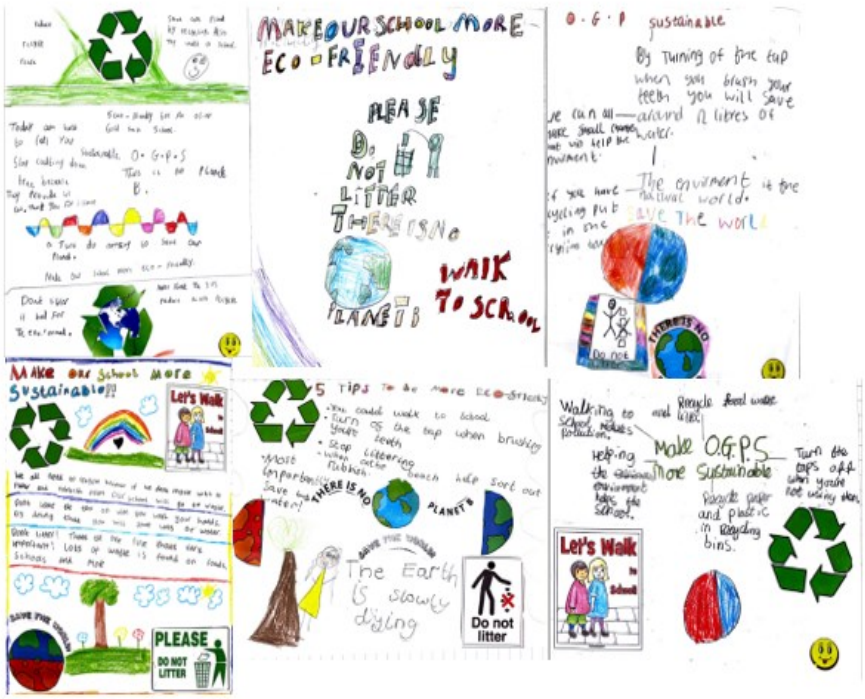
As we move into the second half of the summer term we shall be looking forward to more events so look at the diary dates and club information.

Stay safe, follow the government guidance and hopefully we can work towards getting back to normal .

Kindest regards

Lesley Murdoch (Headteacher)

In Pioneer class, we have enjoyed learning about '**Saving Planet Earth**' through discussions about the effects of climate change, deforestation and plastic pollution. We have been thinking about how to make our school more sustainable. Have a look at some of our posters:



Year 3 have been using DT in their maths

This half term in Year 1 we have been learning about Queen Victoria and the Victorian Times. In maths we have been learning to divide and share. We have also been exploring the features of poetry! Ask me at home about my learning and I will tell you all about it!

Reception

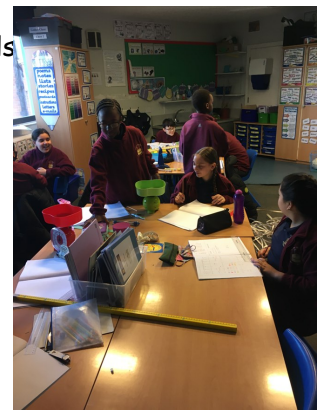
This term we have been learning about Earth and beyond. The children have enjoyed learning about the planets and how to look after our wonderful planet. They have been learning all about recycling, global warming and the effects of pollution on animals.

In PE the children have been learning about ways to move and balance.

In Maths they are learning about shapes and numbers up to 20.

Year 6 Have been busy with their core subjects but have also had fun lessons in other areas too.

Challenger class took part in Circus skills and enjoyed balancing on pedals

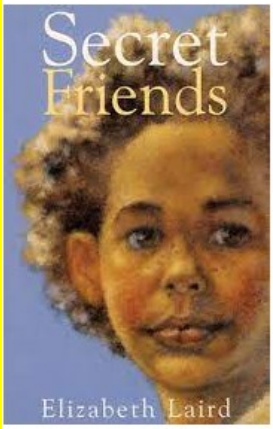


Discovery class were learning about measurement and used equipment to investigate.

Year 4 This week Hubble class have started to read 'The secret friends' by Elizabeth Laird because we wanted to discuss friendship and relationship with the people we have at school. We have read the first chapter and focused on how some words can affect a person's life and friendships within the class-room. We thought about these two

Do you think Lucy wanted to be mean to Rafaella?

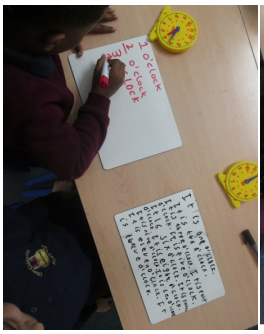
Why do you think Lucy be-haved that way with Rafaella?

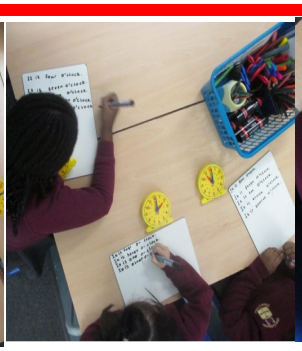


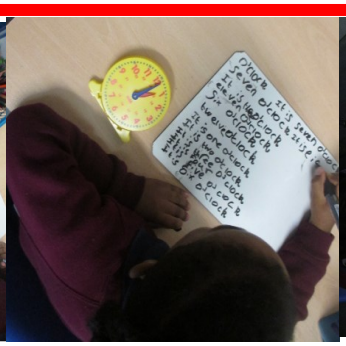
East side project. Year 5.

In Year 5 we have started a poetry project, with a famous rapper and poet from New York called Kenny.
We did some word games and talked about ourselves. By the end of the summer term we will have a finished poem which we will per-form. This performance will be saved on the Southwark website as well as the school website.
Although this is a project that is focused in year 5 years 3, 4 and 6 are also having a sone off sample session with Kenny.
Kenny really engages all the children in how 'words and performance' support their self esteem and confidence.

In science we have been learning about fermentation. We prepared some bread dough: One with sugar and one without. Ask your child which mixture rose and why.







In Year 2 we have been learning to tell the time. We used clocks to help us look at the time to the nearest hour. We used keywords like o'clock quarter past and half past. Have a look at how hard everyone is working!

How well do you know your times tables?

6x7=?

3x2=?

8x5=?

Try your own.

Breakfast and After School clubs.

Due to COVID restrictions we had not been able to offer this additional service but we do now have the ability to offer a few places for those in most need:

Breakfast club starting at 7:50am
After school club until 5:00pm.

Please contact the school office with your request for a place.

ChildLine 0800 1111

Dates for your diary

Tue 8th June: start of parent club.
Wed 23rd June: Police horses visit.
Thur 1st July: Stay and play for Reception classes.
Frid 2nd July: New nursery meeting.
Class celebration assemblies:

Mon 12th July	**9:30AM Nursery**	**2:00PM Year 3**
Tue 13th July	**9:30AM Reception**	**2:00PM Year 4**
Wed 14th July	**9:30AM Year 1**	**2:00PM Year 5**
Thur 15th July	**9:30AM Year 2**	**1:30PM Year 6**

Last day of term

Tue 20th July. School closes at **2:00pm.**

We will post up reminders on our website and class blogs. Thank you.

Nursery

In the nursery we have lots of fun learning in side and outside.

We have sharing time, dancing, building and lots of reading together.
We like to do lots of things together.

SCIENCE WEEK

We will be launching our Science week on Monday the 14th June. The children will take part in a science workshop where they will get to channel their inner scientist and complete a range of experiments.

During the week they will complete a range of activities across several different areas of science that will allow them to develop their knowledge and skills.

At the end of the week teachers will nominate a scientist from their class to demonstrate an experiment, share their learning and receive the headteacher award.

Please check the website for experiments that can be done at home and to see your child/ ward's science skills in action.

Here is one to get you started ….

Lava Lamp Science Experiment | Kids Science Experiments | Science Fun