Old Oak Primary School Newsletter 27th April 2018

Summer Term News

The term has begun very well and we enjoyed the lovely weather last week and the slightly colder and wetter weather this week! The children look neat and are enthusiastic about their learning. I am asking children at the gate questions about times tables, spelling and books they are reading at home. Please make sure that the children practice these and read regularly at home. It helps them so much.

The Bubble and Squeak project is still growing. We have linked with the Felix Project now and have still more out of date food and drink available on Mondays. We are going to use the container near to the key stage 2 and nursery entrances this term to distribute the food, so go around there to see what fantastic produce we have. Last week I cooked a wonderful soup from the vegetables and had some fruit for the week. Please go and help yourself!

Finally this week, look out below for the Imperial Festival which takes place this weekend. This is a free event and has lots of exciting things for you and your child to do! Our year 5 children went last year and came back really fired up for science. I think the weather is not going to good tomorrow, so a visit to Imperial may be just the thing.

Have a lovely weekend!

Mr. Brown

Explore the science of drumming, learn what impact London is having on our health, take on a robotic arm at air hockey, or play classic video games and compose beautiful music with just your brain waves.

Tomorrow and Sunday - Imperial College London, Exhibition Road, South Kensington Campus, London, SW7 2AZ

More than 150 exhibits will be on show at the Festival, grouped into themed areas including new zones:

- The Hands On Zone: An interactive space for all young people, from toddlers to 12-year-olds.
- Spotlight talks:
- Enginuity Zone: Novel solutions designed by Imperial engineers will be on show in a special zone celebrating the international Year of Engineering.

LEARNING THIS WEEK IN CLASSES

Each week we will let you know about some of the learning in class so you can talk about this with your child. The learning will be taken from the whole curriculum, English, maths, IPC and science, music or PE.

Nursery – we have practised climbing, planted cress seeds and read *What the Ladybird heard*

Peach and Rowan class - We have writing about aliens and looked at 3D shapes

Hazel class – we have been practising our handwriting, our phonics and learning to use numbers to 40

Holly class – we have been writing an information text and learning about multiplication. We also visited Gunnersbury House and Park

Maple class - we have been learning about the features of poetry and learning to tell the time.

Sycamore and Olive classes – we have been multiplying 2 digit numbers by one digit and reading the book *A Pebble in my Pocket*. We made freeze frames based on parts of the story.

Magnolia and Willow classes – we have learning more about fractions, writing an argument and discussing the rainforest

Elm and Plum classes – we did an experiment about dissolving materials, read the poetry of Joseph Coelho, some of us wrote information texts on poisonous animals and we learnt about percentages and decimals in maths.

Hawthorn class – we have been revising grammar, writing informal and formal letters and made a Merry-Go-Round in IPC.

YOU MAY WANT TO TALK ABOUT THIS WITH YOUR CHILD THIS WEEKEND

LOST PROPERTY – IF YOU HAVE LOST SOME UNIFORM, PLEASE LOOK IN THE CRATES IN THE KEY STAGE 1 AND 2 PLAYGROUNDS! THEY ARE BOTH FULL OF SWEATSHIRTS, COATS AND BAGS.
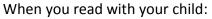

STAY SAFE WITH YOUR CHILD ONLINE –
Google are introducing parental controls for YouTube Kids which will be useful for parents to make sure that children do not access inappropriate material. For more information, please follow the link below.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/technology-43893862

TALK TO YOUR CHILD – READ WITH YOUR CHILD

This week's question is:
> **What do you know about the Royal family? What do you think William and Kate will call their new baby?**

When you read with your child:
> **Let's find out who was the King or Queen before Queen Elisabeth II? How can we find this out?**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 27th April – Elm class visit the Imperial Festival
Monday 30th April – Year 5 class are going to *IntoUniversity*
Tuesday 1st May – Willow class visit Kew Gardens
Wednesday 2nd May – Magnolia class visit Kew Gardens
Monday 7th May – Bank holiday, school is closed
Wednesday 9th May – Plum class assembly