



Dear Parents,

We have had a super sunny week which we have made the most of! Getting on to the field as much as possible. Including a football match for our mixed team at the end of the day today.



This week, we also followed the 'Eat them to defeat them' campaign which focuses on promoting eating fruits and vegetables. You will have seen the children coming home with stickers each day to celebrate their eating a fruit or vegetable at lunch time. This year, the children were also offered a taste of the rainbow from "Mrs Gosling's Glorious Grub" fruit and veg stand where each day they could taste two fruits or vegetables. I was thoroughly impressed with the amount of customers I had as well as their enthusiasm as they flocked to my stand. Many children even tasted foods they had not had before which was great to see! On Monday, I also talked to the children about making healthier choices, looking at the EatWell guide and talking to them about the importance of micronutrients, looking at different foods that contain these. I hope this has inspired the children to be more adventurous with their food choices and be mindful of aiming for at least 5-a-day!



We also celebrated International Day of Happiness on Thursday, it was lovely to hear what makes the children happy. Their answers ranged from family members to friends and unsurprisingly gaming. We spoke about taking time to think about how we can make others happy and do more of the simple things that make us happy too.

The Eco-council promoted Earth Hour with us this week too, please see the posters to find out more. To help the Eco-council with their evidence collecting, please follow this link to complete a very short survey to let us know how you have taken part <https://forms.gle/xyfQJQ3CJS3PiH2K8>. We hope many of you will be able to participate in Earth Hour this weekend.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Nadia Gosling

#### Kindness Awards

**Emi, Kai, Daisy, Seb, William**  
**Well Done!**



## Our Stars of the Week

Tommy

Freya

Lucas +

Kai

Walter

Emily T

Eliza +

Lily H

Niamh +

Seb

Grace

## Diary dates

- 24th March—Yr5/6 Mixed League Football Home Game
- 26th March—FSU + Yr1/2 Drama Workshop
- 26th March—Yr5/6 Mixed League Football Away Game
- 27th March—Cooper School Mult-skills Festival for selected KS1/KS2 children
- 28th March—PTA Non-Uniform Day
- 28th March—PTA Bingo Night 5.30pm
- 31st March—Yr5/6 Girls Football Home Game
- 1st April—Yr5/6 Youlbury Trip 3rd Instalment Due
- 2nd April—Yr5/6 Girls Football Final
- 3rd April—Yr5/6 Girls Football Away Game
- 4th April—Easter Service 1.30pm St Marys Church
- 25th April—PTA Easter Café 3.15pm
- 25th April—Yr5/6 Girls Football Home Game
- 28th April—Yr5/6 Girls Football Home Game



For future dates: <https://charlton-on-otmoor.sch.life/Page/Calendar>

## Class Attendance Winner

This week's best attended class is Year 1&2 with:

**100% attendance!**

**Whole school attendance**

**97%**

Also, Well done to everyone for getting into school at 08:45. It makes such a difference!

## Breakfast Club & CAST

Drop & Play: Mon-Fri 8.15am-8.45am

8:30am—8:45am

Breakfast club: Mon-Fri 7.50am-8.45am

CAST times: Mon-Thurs 3.15pm-4.15pm or 3.15pm-5.30pm.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast Club, Drop & Play or CAST, please book a place using the Arbor app.

All clubs are open to Reception through to Year 6 children only. If you could please try to get your clubs booked by **Midday**

**Friday** for the week ahead, so that snacks can be arranged. As our numbers are increasing, we may not be able to accept last minute bookings due to the adult ratio's required. Bookings made after 12pm on Friday will incur a £2 late booking fee per session booked.

Please also be mindful of pick up times, if you are late picking up your child you will be charged for the later session.

## ECO COUNCIL

In an assembly on Wednesday, we shared information about a very important global event—Earth Hour 2025. We would like as many families as possible to support us by turning out lights for one hour on Saturday evening from 8.30-9.30pm. This activity forms part of our energy project for our eco award. You will receive a form to complete so we can record the data for the award. Please support us – more information on the accompanying poster. Help your children make a difference for their planet. Be creative and have fun!

## PTA

Next Friday will be a non-uniform day in exchange for £1. Please see attached poster for more info.

Also don't forget to join us for the family Bingo, starting at 5.30pm. Lots of great prizes to be won!

## FSU

As part of our oral health focus in FSU we have been able to borrow dentist role play resources from the dental services. The children have had great fun using it! We have also been trying lots of different fruits and vegetables as part of the 'Eat them to defeat them' week. Children have been really good at trying new things like spinach, fig, cranberries and chickpeas!

As part of our PSED curriculum to develop their independence and table etiquette, we are all using cups at snack time now, with a choice of milk or water provided by us. Water bottles will still be available if they are thirsty during the day, and after PE.



## Year 1 & 2

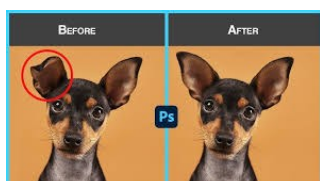
It has been a very creative week! We have decorated our fire engines in DT and built our habitats in Science. I was very impressed with all of their hard work and enthusiasm.

We also started our topic of measuring in Maths. We have worked practically with rulers and metre sticks for Year 2. They are now equipped to help with any measuring of furniture items at home. :)



## Year 3 & 4

This week in Year 3/4 we've been learning how to edit photos in Computing. So far, we have been able to search the web for a photo, then once an image has been chosen we've been practising changing its size, cropping it, changing the colour and the brightness and rotating it. We've also learnt a lot about how the 'clone stamp' can be used to clone parts of photos or make imperfections disappear. The children are going to continue to practise these things at home as part of this week's homework. I am very impressed with how quickly they were able to pick up these new things on the computer!



## Year 5 & 6

This week we worked on classification in science. To start the lesson, we played a fun guessing game. We could only ask yes/no questions to guess the animal on our head! This helped us to think about the different characteristics of the animals to classify them.



## Safeguarding

Please contact Mrs Gosling or Mrs Clarke should you have any safeguarding concerns.



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