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**Year 3** were really excited to welcome Mr Hopper in to their classes last Friday. He came to talk to them about Rocks and Fossils as it is our topic this term. Thank you Mr Hopper for giving up your time to start our topic with a 'wow'! *Year 3 Team*



After school on Wednesday, Ladygrove Girls' football team had a resounding win over Goring Primary School. From the outset, our footballers showed superior skills as they passed accurately, had attempt, after attempt, on goal and our defence was unbreakable. Well done to Freya who was awarded 'girl of the match' for her powerful shots on target (one goal short of a double hat-trick) and for supporting her team mates by passing accurately to them. Final score 12 - 0 to Ladygrove. Well done girls for this incredible win and for acting modestly with the increasing goal difference.



Then, fresh from their league win the day before, the girls were in action in their first football tournament of the season. They drew their first match against Wantage 1-1, won their second match against Sonning Common 8-0 and drew their third match against Stephen Freeman 0-0 (the goals were just too small for us - we had several shots on target all hitting the crossbar!) This placed the team second in their group, narrowly missing out on progressing to the finals. A fantastic performance again by this team with accurate passing, unbreakable defence and commitment to the game. A big thank you to Mark Coles for acting as referee on both occasions and to the parents for their support. *Coach Shorrocks & Coach Loveless*

Congratulations to the new **House Captains** who have now taken up their positions; Lois, Zack, Yamine, Fabio, Olivia and Sky. They have completed their first celebration assembly and have also embarked on a review of the awards systems with me.

**Year 1** had an amazing time in the space explorer dome that visited the school on Tuesday. We learned all about Orion's Belt and how to locate it, that Sirius is the brightest star in the night sky and that we could fit 100 Earths into the sun! We thoroughly enjoyed looking at the different planets and impressed our visitors with all of our knowledge of space. So many of us have decided we want to be astronauts now! *Year 1 Team*



A big thank you to two of our lovely mums coming in today to share how their families celebrate Chinese New Year! The children enjoyed listening and finding out that it was the Year of the Rat. They stayed with the children in class 2 and 3 and made paper rats and cutting lanterns. Thank you so much for coming in to share! *FS Team*

**Parent-Teacher Meetings:** Appointment times have gone home with your child today. A couple of slips were returned without any name on so if you do not have an appointment time and you would like one, please come and speak to the ladies in the office. Thank you.

## COMING UP...

### Dates next week:

Date	Activity	Time	Place	Notes
Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Scratch Club	Lunchtime	Year 5	
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Yr 5 Cycling LPPS v All Saints Netball Match High Five Club	Afternoon 3.15pm <del>3.10pm-4pm</del>	Ladygrove School Courts	Remember bikes and helmets Spectators are most welcome <b>Cancelled due to match</b>
Weds 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Space Lessons in Year 1 Spanish Club	All Day 3.10pm-4pm	Year 1 Year 3	
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Stemillions Club Helicopter Stories Choir Club Year 3 Cake Crumbly	Lunchtime 3.10pm-4pm 3.10pm-4pm 3.10pm	Class 5 Class 13 Courtyard	Please donate cakes to sell
Fri 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Sketch Club	Lunchtime	Year 5	

**Maths Matters** is back and will be running two sessions this term: Saturday 25 January and Saturday 8 February. Both sessions will be focused on problem-solving strategies related to the learning the children are having in class. As usual, there will be 2 sessions: 10 - 11 am for children in years 2, 3 & 4 and then 11 - 12 am for children in years 5 and 6. These sessions are run by Local Leader of Maths Education, Dr Shorrocks and by Mrs Manthorpe - both experienced in helping children to understand how maths works and challenging those children who already do. Groups are small, supportive and friendly. Should you wish to book your child in for a session or if you have any questions, please email us on [didcotmathsmatters@gmail.com](mailto:didcotmathsmatters@gmail.com)

## NOTICES ...

**Year 6:** Please ensure that **Kilvrough has been paid in full by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020**. Your child's place is not secure unless full payment has been received. Please contact us if you have any concerns rather than worry privately.

This term's newsletter from the **School Nursing Team** is attached. It is also on our website under 'letters', 'newsletters' tab.

**Does anyone have** ..... wool (knitting yarn), buttons, ribbon that they no longer want or use? If so, after school club would love to take it off your hands to use for activities. Please drop off at the office if you do. Many thanks



**Foundation Stage** are collecting..... empty spray bottles / pebbles / plastic lids (of all colours eg milk bottle lids) / pine cones / corks / clear tubing / old electrical reels / lego / duplo. If you have any of the above, please drop off at the office. Many thanks.



Advanced notice..... we have received notification from RWE about the **forthcoming demolition of the chimney** at Didcot A Power Station, which is scheduled to take place on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February. This will be the final controlled explosive demolition activity for the former Didcot A station and follows the demolition of the north cooling towers, which took place in August. Due to the height of the chimney, the exclusion zone will be larger than during the previous demolition in August. To accommodate this exclusion zone, an application is required for temporary road closures of a section of the A4130 and Milton Road alongside Didcot Power Station, for a short period on the morning of the demolition. A local temporary footpath closure is also required. The demolition is planned to take place on a Sunday morning when local roads are typically at their quietest, and the impact on any local business will be minimised. To ensure members of the community are kept safe during the demolition process, RWE is again actively discouraging all forms of public participation, including attempts to view the demolition from public vantage points. Local households will be able to hear the explosion and dust being visible. For further information please contact [rwe@communityrelations.co.uk](mailto:rwe@communityrelations.co.uk) or call 0800 157 7344.

### SEND Local Area revisit by Ofsted and CQC

Oxfordshire was revisited by Inspectors from Ofsted and the Care Quality Commission (CQC) between Tuesday 15 and Thursday 17 October 2019. Inspectors reviewed a wide range of evidence and met with parents/carers, senior leaders, school Heads and SENCos and staff from across the local area. Inspectors will use the information they gathered to evaluate the progress made against each of the five areas of significant weakness identified in the Written Statement of Action:

[https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/special-educational-needs/send\\_written\\_statement\\_of\\_action.pdf](https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/sites/default/files/file/special-educational-needs/send_written_statement_of_action.pdf)

The report which outlines the findings of the revisit was published on the 23rd December 2019 and can be found here.

<https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50136587>

Thank you to everyone who took part in or contributed to the revisit.

### Improving the Local Area Engagement with Parents/Carers

Oxfordshire County Council is committed to improving the relationship with parents/carers who have children and young people that attend education settings across Oxfordshire. We have already started our journey of engagement with a coffee morning that was held on the 15th November. This was well attended, and the feedback received is currently being pulled together in a short report to inform our future events.

Dates for your diary for our future consultation events are:

13th March – 10am - 12pm – Topic for discussion – Exclusions

16th June – evening meeting – 6.30 – 8.30pm - Topic TBC

9th October – 10am -12pm - Topic TBC

All venues are currently being sourced and will be announced as soon as possible. Details can be found here: <https://www.oxpcf.org.uk/>

### Children's Integrated Therapies Service

Oxfordshire Clinical Commissioning Group, in partnership with Oxfordshire County Council and Oxfordshire's Parent Carer Forum are holding two focus groups with Parent Carers to inform a review of the Children's Integrated Therapies Service (which reflects Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Speech and Language Therapy) The views and experiences of parents and carers are wanted. Please come along to one of the sessions:

Tuesday 21st January 6 - 8pm Wesley Memorial Hall New Inn Hall Street Oxford OX1 2DH Register your place here:

<https://oxpcfeventone.eventbrite.co.uk>

Or Friday 24th January 12 - 2pm Jubilee House 5510 John Smith Drive, Oxford Business Park South, Cowley, OX4 2LH

Register your place here: <https://oxpcfeventtwo.eventbrite.co.uk>

*Andrew Markham and the School Team*

# Confidence Building Fun

Try a Free Drama Class

— This is a fab class!  
It was mentioned at  
Katie's parents' evening  
that her confidence  
in class seems to  
have grown so I am  
delighted. Jane Spurgeon



## The Ice Queen

Drama, dance and singing  
holiday courses for 4–10 year olds

Three full days over February half-term

[perform.org.uk/icequeen](http://perform.org.uk/icequeen)



— Both my children said it  
was the best thing they  
had ever done. It was an  
utter joy to know how  
happy they were. Shirine Saba