



# OPJS Newsletter

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Academic Year 2019-2020



## Dear Parent/Carer,

First and foremost I hope all is well and I can't quite believe that we're pretty much halfway through the academic year! Where has the time gone? It continues to be rather busy here at the ranch as we approach half term and this will no doubt continue into Term 4!! Here goes!

## OPJS Update

- Well it is fair to say that the inaugural Y6 Harry Potter Hogwarts sleepover was a great success!! From enjoying a pint of butter beer through to a few chocolate frogs and from undertaking a treasure hunt using a marauder's map through to a quiz, it was rather a magical evening. Well done to all the Y6s for really getting into spirit of it as well as the professors (Jenner, Dack, Butler, Brown, Brown, Teague, Parker and Parry) who ensured that the Hogwarts children were exceptionally well behaved, fed and watered and had ample sleep! Snapshots are above and below.



- Many thanks for your support with regards to our recent INSET Day as our staff visited a number of PAT schools to see good practice as well as 'magpie' a few ideas.
- Today has been Safer Internet Day as we continued to not only look at the benefits but, moreover, ensure that our children remain vigilant and safe when they are online. Many thanks for your support in this when your child is accessing the internet home. As ever, please do not hesitate to contact miss Miller at school if you have any questions or queries regarding internet safety as well as the approach we adopt at OPJS.

On Friday 31st January, a team made up of children from several of the PAT schools played in a friendly netball match against The Paragon at Prior Park School. St Martin's Garden, St Philip's, Oldfield Park Juniors, Widcombe Juniors and Combe Down each selected two players to take part in the side, which is the first time such a team has been formed. Having only met for a 45-minute training session the previous Wednesday afternoon, the group showed exceptional team-work and became formidable opponents for The Paragon. The match was very close throughout, with both teams displaying incredible talent and skill, and being outstanding representatives for their schools. Although the final score was 14-13 to The Paragon, all players showed great sportsmanship and enjoyed a well-deserved post-match tea. 'Player of the match' was awarded to the Centre on each team by the opposing side, so a particular well done to Poppy from the Palladian team and Ruby from The Paragon. We would like to thank The Paragon and Prior Park for hosting and look forward to a re-match later in the year. The Palladian team: Josh and Jada (SMG), Amelia and Samuel (St Philip's), Jasmine and Izzy (OPJ), Flossie and Poppy (Widcombe Juniors), Edie and Robyn (CDP).



## Dates for the Diary

Here we go with some of the key dates right up until Easter:

- Today: Safer Internet Day and BaNES Swimming Championship
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February: OPJS Girls' FC v Chandag FC and Doodlemaths Assembly for Parents 2.45pm-3.15pm
- Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February: BaNES Quicksticks
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February: End of Term 3
- Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February: Holiday Club  
Do contact Mr Gunning if you would like your child to attend.
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February: Start of Term 4
- Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March: OPJS PTA Quiz Night 7.30pm onwards
- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March: INSET Day
- Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March: Parent/Carer Consultation Evening 3.45pm-6.15pm
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March: Parent/Carer Consultation Evening 3.45pm-6.15pm
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March: Y4 at Mill on the Brue
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March: OPJS at Dance Umbrella
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April: Y3/4 Easter Disco 6pm-7pm and Y5/6 Easter Disco 7.15pm-8.15pm
- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Easter Competitions and End of Term 4

## And finally,

Many thanks for reading the final issue of our OPJS Newsletter for this term and your continued support. I hope that you have a great half term and I look forward to welcoming our children back on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

With every good wish,

Mr Dave Goucher

Headteacher.

# PANCAKE PARTY



**TUESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 3:30PM-5:30PM**  
***Ascension Church, Claude Avenue***



*Join us for a pancake party in the hall!*

**YUMMY PANCAKES**  
**SUPER FUN ACTIVITIES**  
**FOCUSING ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

(suggested donation £1 per child)

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