



Friday 15th October 2021

I can't believe it's half term already. This half term has really whizzed by. Thank you for all your support this half term with spellings, homework and practising timestables – it does make a difference and the children are beginning to blossom – please keep it up over half term even for 5 mins a day so they don't forget the skills they have acquired this half term.

Thank you to for all your lovely messages of support to teachers across the school. We gave out cards this morning in star of the week worship and then the staff went back to classes and read the messages with the children. I know they were really touched. Here's a picture of what the cards looked like.



We also said goodbye to Mrs Fox today. I know she has been so touched by your many gifts and kind words. WE really do wish her all the best as she enters a new stage of her life and have told her not to be a stranger. The office today looks like a florist – it smells beautiful!

Opt -in have been busy organising the Christmas card designs for this year. Attached to the newsletter is a copy of the leaflet and order form. Please see below in the newsletter for some more information too. Opt -in has lots planned for the next half term. Details will follow next half term but some provisional dates are included below.

Have a wonderful half term everyone and we will see you back in school on the 1st November!

Stay safe!
Mrs Smith - Head Teacher

*God's Word is a lamp to guide our feet
and a light for our path.
Inspired by Psalm 119:105*

PE at Orsett

Yesterday at Orsett I went out and played tag rugby with the year 5s. I had to try and grab as many tags as possible while they tried to dodge me. I didn't do very well at all! Year 5 however were amazing!



Term Dates

Term dates were sent out earlier this week. Please note we have an extra day due to the Queens Platinum Jubilee, school inset day will now be Thursday 26th May and the school will be shut on the 27th May in lieu of the extra bank holiday. These will be updated and added to the website over half term.

Letters home this week

Important letters are on our website or class pages and a quick links to these are available on Marvellous Me
*Term dates
*Christmas card leaflets – Opt In – also attached to the newsletter

Winners

Our apologies to Isla and her sister who were also winners in the HOBNOB parish art competition. Well done to you both! We are super proud to have 3 winners from Orsett and a past Orsett student too!



Important information

Due to allergies, can we please remember that we are a nut free school.



Important information

YEAR 6!

Secondary applications 2022 closing date is fast approaching. The deadline for applications is the 31st October 2021. Make sure your applications aren't late!

A message from Mrs Fox



Dear Parents I just wanted to say a huge thank you to you all for the lovely gifts you have given me for my retirement. I really appreciate it. I will miss you all. Take care and stay safe.



Congratulations to Jude!

We are delighted to announce that Jude has been selected for the Thurrock district football team. We can't wait to hear all about his matches and are so proud of his achievements. I want to say a really big well done to Harry and Frankie who also tried out as well.



Some provisional dates for the diary.

Below are some provisional dates for events we plan to take place over the next half term. Please note these are always subject to change depending on Covid guidance and other circumstances but we wanted to give some advance warning where possible.

8th November – Opt-In PTA

9th November – Reception tours for 2022 places

18th November – Parent evening

2nd December – Christmas gift sale – Opt-In during school time

7th December – Christmas Dinner - including Christmas jumpers with £1 donation

8th – 10th December – Reception and KS1 nativity – each class will have their own set day – am performances.

More details to follow

14th December – KS2 carol concert – evening performance

16th December – Opt -In Christmas movie night

17th December – Church visit, Christmas parties and a special school visitor!

Opt-In



Christmas Cards and Gifts

As usual, Opt-In are able to order cards and gifts for you to use at Christmas. They are designed by your children and professionally produced. Even better, each item/pack bought by you raises money for Opt-In to spend on adding to your children's school experiences.

Every child has designed a picture and these are available for you to look at on the pdf document "Year R/1/2/3/4/5/6 Pictures". Each picture is labelled with the designer's name (these will not appear in the final printing). Pictures are available to see on WhatsApp groups, Opt-In's Facebook page, and your class's Teams channel.

The order form is with the pictures. You can either complete it electronically or print it and complete by hand. All payment and order info is on the form, and you will have received a flyer detailing the items available to order and prices.

So order today and get your Christmas cards and gifts. Deadline is 1st November 2021

If you have any issues or queries, please contact your Opt-In Rep or email to Optin_Orsett@outlook.com

Thank you!

