



OJS WEEKLY UPDATE

5th November 2021

Message from Mrs Sheridan and Mrs Elwill

We are extremely proud of Year 6 for their excellence and teamwork. On Tuesday they visited the International Slavery Museum and Albert Dock to understand more about the British Empire's role in the Transatlantic Slave Trade. Children also discovered the long-lasting impact of the Slave Trade and the struggle for 'Freedom and Equality'. Thank you to Miss Nickson and Mr Byrne for organising the historical experience for the children. It made them reflect on the past in a thoughtful way. They even organised the weather!



Pictures from the trip to the International Slavery Museum.

It was a time to reflect and develop our understanding on a significant part of our history. Year 6 also managed to walk around the Albert Dock discussing the trading links and the changes over time!

Once again, exemplary behaviour! Thank you to all the children and staff who took part in the visit to enhance learning in the curriculum.

OJS School Council were extremely happy as their purple jumpers arrived! We know they will wear them with pride as they represent their classes in meetings. Our P.E Ambassador jumpers also arrived!

Year 3 had an informative visit to the Liverpool Museum to learn about the Stone Age. Staff complimented the children on their construction of the timeline, as well as their behaviour and attitude.

Thank you for attending the Parent Meetings via our new cloud system. Thank you for your patience and time. Teachers were pleased to talk to you but if you didn't manage an appointment please contact your child's class teacher.

We had some amazing entries for the e-safety poster competition.

The winners are:

Year 3- Lucas Year 4-Max F Year 5-Angel Year 6 -Amelia E and Isabella

They received a headteacher's award badge and their posters will be displayed on the website.

This Week's Class Attendance Figures

Apple	95.33%	Cherry	96.71%
Ash	95.25%	Pine	91.39%
Larch	93.75%	Silver Birch	94.1%
Beech	95.94%	Lime	94.02%
Hawthorn	94.3%	Rowan	94.41%
Willow	94.13%	Sycamore	95.37%

As a school we must achieve at least 96% attendance. Congratulations to Cherry class for achieving this!



Star Readers

This week's Star Readers are:

Apple -	<i>Freddie</i>	Cherry -	<i>Ava</i>
Ash -	<i>Sophie</i>	Pine -	<i>Minnie</i>
Larch -	<i>Bethanie</i>	Silver Birch -	<i>Tom</i>
Beech -	<i>Harry K</i>	Lime -	<i>Nathan</i>
Hawthorn -	<i>James</i>	Rowan -	<i>Mischa</i>
Willow -	<i>Jake</i>	Sycamore -	<i>Savannah</i>

Congratulations to all our Star Readers this week.

A fantastic fortnight of reading by all, well done.

Amazing news from Willow class, they have surpassed the half a million mark, they are well on their way to a million words. Let's see if they can do this by the end of term!

Big congratulations to Oscar from Ash class, who is in the lead with a total of 255,260 words read (the highest across years 3 and 4)!

Congratulations to Rowan who have broken the 1 million word barrier. Lime and Sycamore have both broken the 3 million word barrier. Lime are just leading our reading totals with 3,116,844. Sycamore are close behind with 3,064,281.

Fabulous reading! Every child in year 5 has now taken and passed an Accelerated reading test.



Excellence Award Winners

Apple -	Mia M	Cherry -	Luca E
Ash -	Joel P	Pine -	Faith E-W
Larch -	Alfie M	Silver Birch -	Faith B
Beech -	Chloe C	Lime -	Chloe H-H
Hawthorn -	Rileigh M	Rowan -	Will T
Willow -	Ellis B	Sycamore -	Zack G

Well done to all!



Individual Pupil Photographs

The photographer will be in school on Wednesday 17th November 2021 to take individual pupil photos.



This week, some of our year 5s and 6s took to Prenton Park to take part in a futsal competition.

The team did themselves proud and played some exciting football scoring some great goals. Mr Sheehan was very proud!

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

The NHS has asked us to remind parents that they will be closing the e-consent form for flu on Tuesday 7th November @ 12.00pm. This is to enable NHS staff to prepare and order the vaccine for our school session on Friday 12th November.

They will NOT accept any consents after this date, for parents who have not completed consent their children will not be offered the flu nasal spray.

Upcoming Events

Year 5

RE Trip

The year group will be visiting the Al-Rahma Mosque and the Anglican Cathedral in Liverpool on Tuesday 16th November.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £7.00 towards the cost of the trip. This can be paid via ParentPay. If you would prefer a Paypoint letter, please contact the School Office.

Swimming

Our Year 5 Pupils will undertake a programme of swimming lessons from Monday 13th December, for 1 week, as part of the PE curriculum.

Swimming will take place every afternoon for 1 week. A message will be sent out separately via the ParentApp.

Whole School

Odd Sock Day in Support of Anti-Bullying Week.

On Monday 15th November, we are asking all children to wear odd socks to celebrate everything that makes us all unique!



No Sweets in School

We do not allow children to eat sweets in school. Please do not send them in for snacks or in packed lunches.



OJS School Sports Kits

If you have any of our school sports kits at home, please wash and return them as soon as possible

Internet Safety Webinar – Message from Steve Woods

We would like to thank everyone who attended the Internet Safety session on Wednesday 20th October. Thank you for your positive feedback. In response to questions asked below is some additional information you may find useful.

How do I filter my home internet?

The website below explains how to set up filtering for the most popular home internet providers.
<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parental-controls-offered-your-home-internet-provider>

If your child has a phone, you can apply filtering by calling the company you are subscribed to and telling them the phone belongs to a minor. UK law states phone providers must filter for children. They will then apply filtering that blocks content like crime, violence, gambling pornography etc. Most providers already apply the filter and ask for proof of age to turn it off. It is worth knowing that if you apply it to your phone because your child uses it filtering will block things like the national lottery as that is classed as gambling. It may be easier to enable parental controls.1818

It is also worth noting that internet browsing is filtered **not all apps on a phone**. What I mean by this is YouTube, TikTok Instagram for instance will not be filtered as they are not internet browsing apps.

Finally, most mobile phone operating systems have a method of blocking apps by age rating. You can

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parents-guide-technology>

Apple parental controls

<https://support.apple.com/en-gb/HT201304>

Google Play parental controls

<https://support.google.com/googleplay/answer/1075738?hl=en-GB>

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Weekly Subject Focus

Each week we focus on a different subject which includes taking part in projects and conducting experiments. This helps to give the children a more in-depth knowledge of the subject as well as a greater interest.

For your information, please see below the schedule of our weekly subject focus for the remainder of this term.

Week Beginning 08/11/21	Geography Week
Week Beginning 15/11/21	Science Week
Week Beginning 22/11/21	Computing Week
Week Beginning 29/11/21	RSE Week
Week Beginning 06/12/21	D.T Week
Week Beginning 13/12/21	Music Week
