



OJS WEEKLY UPDATE

7th January 2022

Message from Mrs Sheridan and Mrs Elwill

Welcome back as we start the new year and welcome in 2022.

Our hopes and dreams for a better year ahead for all our children and families are that we have a good year and manage to get back to life with fewer restrictions. We are continuing to do as much as we can to support our children as mental health and well-being is central to our school life.

Our school mission of Respect, Believe, Achieve, continues to be at the heart of all we do. Our INSET day on Tuesday 4th January was safeguarding training for all of our staff ready for the year ahead.

In terms of safety protocols, we have Co2 monitors working in all classrooms to monitor air quality and to help check how much ventilation is needed in each classroom. Staff wear facemasks around school but not to teach in front of classrooms and all staff take a Lateral Flow Test twice weekly. We are currently fully staffed in all classrooms. Our risk assessment has been reviewed and is available on the school website. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with any questions you may have.

Our curriculum is taught in blocks and the first block this week is music. The highlight of the week was listening to Brigadoon performed by Year 4 on the Glockenspiel. Children confidently conducted and played the musical instruments and it was music to Mrs White's ears. Mrs White is our Music Leader and is passionate about music. Purchasing the new Glockenspiels has transformed music in Year 4. The children read the notes, kept to time and worked as superb teams.

Singing and playing the Good, Better, Best song, Year 4 played the notes C, D, E and F on glockenspiels for this song. They also practised clapping the steady beat, being the conductor and putting their fingers on their lips whenever there was a rest.



We look forward to history week as we move to week 2 of the term and wish you a good weekend. Keep safe and well,

Mrs Sheridan and Mrs Elwill



This Week's Class Attendance Figures

Apple	96%	Cherry	96.7%
Ash	98.5%	Pine	95%
Larch	92.9%	Silver Birch	91.5%
Beech	82.4%	Lime	93%
Hawthorn	94.8%	Rowan	90.4%
Willow	86.6%	Sycamore	83.5%

As a school we must achieve at least 96% attendance.

Congratulations to Ash class for winning this week's class attendance and the overall school attendance with 98.5%! Ash class will receive extra MUGA time and 5 respect points for each class member.

This week's winner of lower school attendance is Ash class with 98.5%. This class will receive 3 respect points for each class member.

This week's winner of upper school is Cherry class with 96.7%. This class will receive 3 respect points for each class member



Star Readers

This week's Star Readers are:

Apple -	<i>Theodore P</i>	Cherry -	<i>Sophie K</i>
Ash -	<i>Rueben L</i>	Pine -	<i>Angel X</i>
Larch -	<i>Michael L</i>	Silver Birch -	<i>Ashley C</i>
Beech -	<i>Harvey W</i>	Lime -	<i>Phoebe P</i>
Hawthorn -	<i>James T</i>	Rowan -	<i>Lily C</i>
Willow -	<i>Alice W</i>	Sycamore -	<i>LaceyMay U</i>

Congratulations to all our Star Readers this week.

Keep up the great work everybody.

Reading

Mrs Walton has added a new Introduction to Accelerated Reader onto the Reading page of our school website. Please find the link below:

<https://www.overchurch-junior.wirral.sch.uk/reading/>

Rudolph Run

Overchurch Junior School raised an amazing £2,056.66!

Well done and thank you!!

Santa's Little Helpers

Overchurch Junior School managed to raise over £100 for Santa's Little Helpers for Christmas which helped so many local families.

Thank you to everyone who contributed during our Christmas Concerts.



Excellence Award Winners

Apple -	Freddie C	Cherry -	Evie P
Ash -	Jersie M	Pine -	Joel H
Larch -	Oscar Mc	Silver Birch -	Isabella C
Beech -	Jay W	Lime -	Alissa B
Hawthorn -	Jaana C	Rowan -	Abigail M
Willow -	Hayden T-M	Sycamore -	Harry R

Well Done to All!!

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 this half term.

Week Commencing 10 th January 2022	Science Week
Week Commencing 17 th January 2022	History Week
Week Commencing 24 th January 2022	Years 3 and 4 – Computing Week Year 5 and 6 – Geography Week
Week Commencing 31 st January 2022	Years 3 and 4 – Geography Week Year 5 and 5 – Computing Week
Week Commencing 7 th February 2022	Mental Health Week
Week Commencing 14 th February 2022	Art Week
HALF TERM	



New Girls Development Course

Mr Sheehan's Soccer @ School will be running a six week Soccer Coaching Course starting Friday 14th January.

The course will run for six weeks and will take place after school until 4:20pm each Friday. The cost of the course is £24.

There are limited spaces available in each group. Please book online at www.soccerschoolwirral.co.uk and select Book Now and Overchurch Girls Development.

Covid-19 Update

Confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from Tuesday 11 January.

This will mean that anyone who receives a positive LFD test result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.



Flu Catch Up Clinics

If your child did not receive their nasal flu vaccine, you can telephone the NHS Immunisation Team on 0151 514 2510 for information regarding catch up clinics.

The Immunisation Team are will be returning to school on Friday 21st January to conduct a catch-up clinic. E-Consent forms are now open and can be completed via the following link:

www.wchcimms.co.uk

Our school codes are as follows:

School: Overchurch Junior School

Code: WC105056

Please be aware that the e-consent forms are sent directly to the NHS and we have no access to them or are made aware of submissions. If you have any questions regarding the flu programme or the consent forms, please contact the NHS Immunisation Team on 0151 514 2510.

