

Bumper Edition - 2 pages (don't forget to turn over)

Lots has happened over the last few weeks, so this edition of TOPS News is a bumper 2 page spread! Following on from the last newsletter where I stated about the importance of children attending school every day, I now need to mention the issue around 'lateness'. We are having an increasing number of children arriving late for school. This has a 'knock on' effect with their start to the day, they often miss important information which is shared with classes first thing in the morning and it is unsettling for a lot of children. Please ensure you and/or your child arrives on time for school, ready to enter their class when the bell rings in the morning. Next week we are holding our parent consultations - we do expect every parent to sign up to see their child's class teacher. I look forward to meeting you all next week.

Paul Suther

Football News

On Monday 22nd February the boys' football team played Little Green away in the 9-a-side Junior Wix competition. Unfortunately they did not get through to the next round, but they played well in an unfamiliar format. Player of the match was Cameron Beckford - for excellent work in defence.



On Thursday 25th February the girls' football team played Tanners Wood away in the last game of the league. An excellent performance was shown by both teams and both teams had lots of opportunities. This time, the luck was on Tanners Wood side with them scoring from a corner in the last few minutes of the game. Despite the score we were pleased with the girls' performance as it could have gone either way. Player of the match was Amy Bartley - for always listening to the advice given.

Penalty Shootout at Vicarage Road.

Well done to the Year 6 children who took part in the quarter finals of the Kinder Move and Learn penalty shootout at Vicarage Road on Saturday 27th February. Final score 4-2 to St Paul's with goals from Taylor Bates and Oliver Brown. Well done to Junaid Tahir our goalie and Emma Pinder, Elsa Netrovoski and Pirez Austin who all narrowly missed out on scoring.



The boys' football team took part in their first game of the second round on the league on Monday 29th February against Highwood. Some excellent play saw fantastic opportunities created by Orchard, with the final score being 3-2. Goals by Jay, Cailan and Oliver. Player of the match was Taylor Bates - for a great game and a magnificent goal line clearance.



Miss O'Neill



Events Happening at Orchard

Tue 8 Mar	Parent Consultation evening
Thur 10 Mar	Parent Consultation evening
Sun 13 Mar	Choir singing at The Royal Albert Hall
Wed 16 Mar	Class RL Assembly for Parents, 9.00
Wed 16 Mar	Year 6 trip to Kidzania
Fri 18 Mar	Sport Relief
Wed 23 Mar	Class 2AH Assembly, 9.00am
Fri 25 Mar	SCHOOL CLOSED - Good Friday
Mon 28 Mar	SCHOOL CLOSED - Easter Monday
Wed 30 Mar	Class 1L Assembly POSTPONED due to windows being replaced
Wed 30 Mar	Reception Stay and Play, 9.00am
Fri 1 Apr	School finishes at 2pm - last day of term
Mon 18 Apr	SCHOOL OPENS - children return from the Spring Break

Children's University

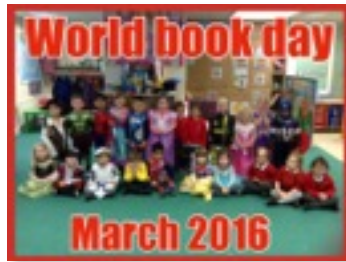
Well done to the following children who have logged enough hours of activities to receive an award this year:



- Abby Bartley - Silver
- Amy Bartley - Silver
- Amber Cottrell - Bronze
- Emily Taylor - Bronze
- Chani Bourderau - Bronze
- Kiara Kwijuka - Silver
- Kamaii Hatchett - Bronze
- Alfie Hunt - Bronze
- Amber Jones - Silver
- Zaynab Naleen - Bronze
- Lisa Sadchikova - Silver
- Laura Murphy - Silver
- Alicia Sobrun - Bronze
- Lutfia - Bronze
- Emma Coomber - Bronze
- Jay Martin - Silver

Keep on logging all the hours of extra curricular activities to your passport! *Miss O'Neill*

World Book Day was a great success with children throughout the school dressing up as their favourite book characters. There were an array of characters in our morning assembly. The children had great fun showing each other their outfits then trying to guess the book from which their character had emerged. Although the costumes were varied there was a definite leaning towards Roald Dahl and J.K. Rowling with a variety of Harry Potter look a likes! It was a very successful day and highlighted the many different books available for children to enjoy. *Mrs Holley*



VIAM VOICE IN A MILLION
The Choir had an amazing time performing at Wembley Arena this week. We have spent many hours rehearsing the songs over and over again but it was all worth it to be part of such a magnificent event.

Everyone sang and danced, cheered and clapped, screamed until their voices all but disappeared. Some very tired children travelled back with memories they will keep for many years to come. *Mrs Holley*



Year 5 took part in the Quicksticks tournament at Francis Coombe on Thursday 3rd March and even though one of our teams won their group, we were not overall winners of the tournament. The children all worked hard at using only one side of the stick and have improved their technique. *Miss O'Neill*

On Thursday 3rd March, six Year 6 children took part in a Quicksticks competition held at Rickmansworth School. The children won all the games in their group, conceding no goals, which meant they went through to the semi final, where they won 2-0. The final was a tight game against Rickmansworth Park where the children lost 1-0, meaning they came second overall! *Mr Williams*



World Maths Day

The children took part in problem solving activities, applying their maths skills to a range of 'real-life' situations.

