



Newsletter

Issue 3

20 September 2024

Dear Parents / Carers

We have been working really hard this week and making great progress in our learning across the school. I was particularly impressed with Foxes Class when they could explain what an expanded noun phrase was and why we would use them in our writing. Bumblebees were equally impressive with their understanding of adjectives and why they can be helpful to a reader. Herons wrote some really powerful descriptions using language features such as personification to create empathy. My favourite sentence was from Kylan who wrote, 'My heart sank along with the ship that day.' Great learning Oliver's Battery!

Celebration Assembly

It was fabulous to celebrate children who had been recognised for being great role models this week in our Celebration Assembly.

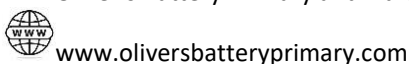
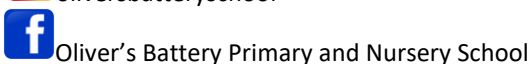
Date	Friday 20 th September 2024
Squirrels	Ozzie and Frankie: At tidy up time they stayed outside to help Miss Andrews to tidy when everyone else went inside. Showing they respect our equipment and know how to take care of it.
Ladybirds	Ben and Harry: They are always ready for lessons and ready to start their learning after playtimes. Both listen carefully to the adults and follow instructions sensibly.
Bumblebees	Scarlett: Always ready to listen and learn. Sam: A lovely friend and very polite. Always respectful to other children and adults in the classroom.
Hares	Jamie for always showing respect to everyone by being considerate, polite and being kind to those who need a friend. Lucy for showing respect by always listening to adults and children and reminding others of the new school rules.
Foxes	Henry and Alice are both very organised and efficient and are always ready for lessons, ready for play and ready for home!
Herons	Rosa: Rose is always ready to learning and is very good at showing active listening in all lessons. She show respect for, and values, every member of our class and is a wonderful role model to others.
Kingfishers	Chris, Daisy, Ella and Erin for being safe on the streets on their bicycles last week. They were also super respectful to the Bikeability instructors and stood out for their maturity and resilience.

Top Table



The children chosen for the top table this week are:

Daisy H and William B – Foxes
Mila C and Theo F - Hares





Eco Code Competition

The winning entries for the Eco Code Competition were as follows:
Joint first prize – Oliver C and Cosima H who both win a book token
Runners up – Sam PH and Keira F who both win a runners up book.
Well done to everyone who took part.



Well done to Nina R in Herons class who won an embroidery project at the Littleton and Harestock fair recently for her embroidery of a picture of a cat. She won the top prize for the "Winchester Embroiderers' Guild Cup for Young Persons".

Well done Nina

 **Open Afternoon**
On Friday 27th September 2:30pm - 3:30pm

We are excited to announce that we are holding an Open Afternoon on **Friday 27 September 2.30 – 3.30pm**. We look forward to welcoming a host of visitors including local residents, parents (past, present and future) ex pupils, friends of the school and anyone else

who would like to visit our wonderful school. If you have a child looking to start at our Nursery or school in September 2025 you will be welcome to join our tour at 2.30pm. We are also hoping that the Mayor of Winchester will be able to join us.

Flu Vaccination Programme

The school nursing team will be in school on **Wednesday 6 November** carry out the Flu Vaccination Programme.

An email has gone out this week with details of how to register your child for the vaccine. Please note: registration is all done online not via the school.

PTA News

The PTA are holding a School Disco on **Thursday 7 November** for the children – Nursery through to Year 6 – please see the attached flyer for more details.



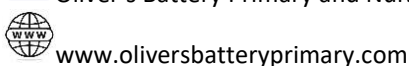
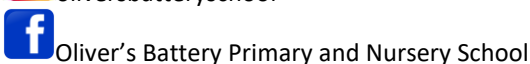
Quiz Night for the grown ups!



Save the date – **Friday 8 November** – following on from the very successful quiz evening in May the PTA are planning on running another one so plan your teams and start swotting! See attached a flyer for more information.

Olly B's Outdoor Swap

Winchester Green Week starts tomorrow and residents of Oliver's Battery are invited to place their preloved but no longer required items outside their properties from 10 – 4pm. You are then invited to stroll around and pick up whatever you like. Hopefully the weather will be kind.





Community Guided Cycle Ride

To mark the end of Green Week a community guided cycle ride has been organised for **Saturday 28 September**. This will be starting at 10am starting at Stanmore via Badger Farm and Oliver's Battery to Hursley Rec. All ages welcome – please see the flyer on our notice board for more details.

Inset Day – Football Club

We are happy to be able to offer, through Active Thru Football, an Inset Day Football Camp at the school on **Monday 30 September**. This is open for Years 1 – 6 at a cost of £20.00 per child. It will start at 9.30 and run through to 2.30pm. For more information and to book contact: bookwhen.com/mattwellsfootballcoaching or by phone 07801790066.

Slow Down!

Please can we ask that you are aware of your speed when entering and leaving the school car park and also mindful of the zebra crossing and the pedestrians that use it. We really do not want an accident to happen. Thank you. thank you.



Yours faithfully

Miss Vittle
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

New events in Blue

Calshot Meeting for Parents/Children	3.45pm	25 September 2024
Open Afternoon	2.30 – 3.30pm	27 September 2024
Inset Day		30 September 2024
Height and Weight checks – Year 6		2 October 2024
Parents Evenings		23/24 October 2024
Flu Vaccinations		6 November 2024
School Disco		7 November 2024
Adult Quiz Night 7pm		8 November 2024
Nativity (Nursery and Year R)		10 December 2024
Rock Steady Concert		16 December 2024
Christmas Lunch/Christmas Jumper/ Carols on the Decking		18 December 2024
School breaks up for Christmas		20 December 2024
Inset Day		31 January 2025
Inset Day		27 June 2025
Inset Day		30 June 2025

