

Edition 03 | 10th February 2023 | Spring Term

NEWSLETTER FOR OLDFLEET PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a very busy start to the first half of the Spring term with a visit to London to the Royal Opera House for some of our year 5 children and our year 3 and 4 children completing a programme of learning on Healthy Lifestyles. Our year 3 children have also been very busy developing their artistic skills being inspired with an art day at the Ferens Art Gallery and our Squirrels class successfully hosted their own history exhibition on Mary Murdoch, sharing with their learning with their parents, family and friends. They were even filmed! Look out for the Hull Museum Service and Heritage Learning promotional video with our Oldfleet children demonstrating how they are star learners. Our final day of this half term has ended with a blast of master drumming to all the children in KS1 and KS2 by Jeff Rich, a former drummer with Status Quo! An inspiration to all the musicians in our school. Our teachers have planned many more visits and visitors for the next half term including our final visit to the Royal Opera House in London for this academic year - please review our 'Diary Dates' on page 3 for what is coming up.

Our nursery have held many 'Stay and Play' sessions introducing many new children and parents to our learning provision for our very youngest children. If you would like any further information on your child obtaining a place in our nursery, please contact the school office who are happy to help.

Due to industrial action we have rescheduled our parental consultation evenings for years 1 to 5 to Wednesday 1st March and Thursday 2nd March. We have added the dates for these to the diary dates at the end of this letter. We will send a Google form on Monday 20th February for you to choose your preferred appointment time. To ensure our year 6 pupils are fully supported in readiness for their transition to secondary school, we will be organising separate consultations with parents and our year 6 pupils at alternative times to the Y1 - Y5 parent evening arrangements detailed above. This will be communicated with parents/carers early after the half term break.

All our school communication of letters and information is being sent via the Arbor app, if you would like any help with this please contact our Admin team who are more than happy to help.

Please also ensure you are signed up and a follower of our school on Twitter (@OldfleetP) where you can see the learning happening in school: in the classrooms, around the school grounds and on trips on a regular basis. Oldfleet learning in action, as it happens.

The Oldfleet staff team and I would like to thank you for your continued support and hope you all have a restful break over the half term holiday. **We look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 20th February.**

Julie White Head of School.

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Spotlight on... Reading at Home

Reading Bookmarks

This term, we have introduced a new way for you to record when your child reads at home and what a response we have had! Our goal of reading three times a week for KS1 and four times for KS2 and marking on your bookmarks has been exceeded by many of you - keep up this excellent work!

Raffle

All completed bookmarks have been entered into a weekly raffle in which books have been won. It has been lovely to hear the children sharing how they now have their own personal collection of exciting books!

Reading Challenges

Our reading bookmarks have also had a weekly challenge for your children to complete with many pictures Tweeted of reading upside down and reading the lyrics to their favourite song.

We love seeing how and where your children are reading and hope you continue to share these photographs with us on our Twitter page (@oldfleetp) to inspire others.

Remember

Reading every day at home is:

- Fun
- Calming
- Helping your child learn new words
- Helping your child be more creative
- Helping your child improve their concentration
- Improving your child's writing too









Diary Dates

Spring Term Diary Dates	
Thur 9th Feb 2023	Year 3 Visit to Ferens Art Gallery
Fri 10th Feb 2023	KS1 & KS2 Jeff Rich Drum Masterclasses School closes for half term holiday
Mon 20th Feb 2023	Children return to school
Thurs 23rd Feb 2023	School photograph day
Wed 1st March	Year 6 Visit to East Park Y1 - Y5 Parents Evening
Thur 2nd Mar 2023	World Book Day - Book Character Dressing Up Y1 - Y5 Parents Evening
Mon 6th Mar 2023	INSET Day - school closed to pupils
Thurs 9th March	Year 2 visit to Streetlife Museum
Mon 13th March	Year 3 performing NAPA Dance to parents
Wed 15th Mar 2023 - Fri 17th Mar 2023	Y5 & Y6 East Barnby Residential visit
Thur 16th March 2023	Y1 Weasels visit to Densholme Farm (HCU)
Thur 23rd March 2023	Y1 Moles visit to Densholme Farm (HCU)
Friday 17th Mar 2023	Red Nose Day (Non-uniform for a donation)
Thurs 30th Mar 2023	(24 pupils) Royal Opera House (Cinderella), London visit
Fri 31st Mar 2023	School closes for Easter holidays



