

# Oxley Primary Sch

A celebration of learning at our wonderful school





Dear Parents and Carers.

Friday 23rd April 2025

As we stride towards the end of the first summer term, we are absolutely delighted to share some highlights from a vibrant and joyful few weeks at Oxley Primary! We've had a whirlwind of inspiring enterprise events, fascinating microscope discoveries, enchanting puppet shows, and stunning rainforest art creations. Our students have truly embraced every opportunity to learn and shine. A massive thank you goes to our incredible staff, supportive families, and brilliant pupils who embody our values—Be Kind, Be Brilliant, and Have an 'I Can' Attitude each day.

**Be Kind** Be Brilliant

Have an can **Attitude** 



A round of applause to our Year 6 students for their resilience and hard work during their SATs. Also, a huge shout-out to our merry band of 'Friends of Oxley', who helped make our recent Family Quiz Night a resounding success, raising an impressive £171!

I wish you all a splendid half-term break, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday, 2nd June, for what promises to be

a fantastic final summer term.

Warm wishes,

Mr Caldwell

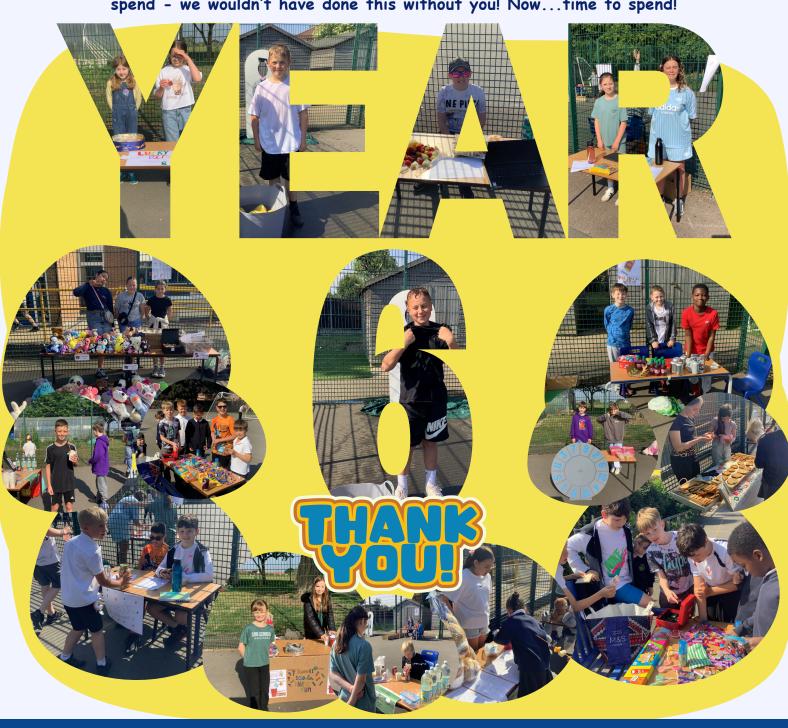


## Year 6 Enterprise WELL DONE!

What an incredible day we had at the Year 6 enterprise event! The Year 6 students really came together as a fantastic team, showcasing their creativity by designing games the likes of which we've never seen before. From the delightful 'Name the Teddy' to the fabulous Golf Game, the excitement was evident. The kids also whipped up some fun with classics like 'Soak the Student' and the 'Guess the Jelly Beans', plus many food and drink stalls!

A massive thank you to our splendid Year 5 and 6 team, especially Miss Jackson, Miss Milner, and Mrs Taylor, for turning what could have been utter mayhem into a wonderfully organised chaos!

Thanks to all their hard work, we raised an astonishing £1,130 - more than any other year! That's a brilliant sum to invest in our celebrations for our Year 6 at the end of the year. Here's to all the students and staff for making it such a memorable event! A huge thank you to every parent and carer who sent in a little spending money for the other children to spend - we wouldn't have done this without you! Now...time to spend!



### Microscopes







We are incredibly grateful to The Royal Microscopical Society for loaning us their microscopes for the summer term. Their generous support has enabled children across the school to explore the fascinating world of microscopy.

Throughout this half term, pupils have had the opportunity to investigate a variety of samples including parts of plants, fingerprints and different types of food. The microscopes have also been a big hit with our Busy Bees after-school club, where children have closely examined a varied range of objects, including grains of sand, leaves and even strands of their own hair!

Thank you again to the Royal Microscopical Society for making these engaging and educational experiences possible.

#### Water's non-uniform for Loros



### WATER'S CHARITY NON-UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> MAY



Water's House Captains have arranged a whole school non-uniform day on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to raise money for LOROS.





Earlier in the year, each house voted for their charity.

Water chose LOROS who work tirelessly to provide special and unique care for over 2,500 people across Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.



Today, the Water House
Captains hosted a nonuniform day to raise money
for LOROS. Whilst all houses
came together so that
everyone could take part,
LOROS will receive all of the
money raised to help them
continue their heroic work.



The money has been counted and we have raised a MASSIVE £169.25.

Thank you to all of our parents and carers for your continued support!



## Oxley's Busy Bees

We have been enjoying the sun this half-term, playing lots outside. We've had picnics, space hoppers, been creative with nature, making different things, baking, planting sunflowers, which are now going into the ground along the back fence.





## Oxley's Breakfast Club

The children that have taken up the free breakfast club so far have had lots of fun serving their own breakfast, washing up as well as starting the day with fun activities with their friends in the sunshine. If you haven't already signed your child up they really are missing out!







### **Penguins**



What a fantastic, jam-packed term we've had! We kicked off with a delightful puppet show where the children retold familiar stories - so much fun! In Art, we were creative with our hands and feet, inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe. We've loved exploring Spring in Science, noticing how our school grounds have changed since Winter. We've also begun our plant journey, observing them outside and even planting beans! In English, we enjoyed 'Oliver's Vegetables', tasting different veggies and writing about Grandpa's Garden. Plus, our Year 1s have thrived in Forest School, building dens and crafting clay spiders! What a brilliant term!

This term has been absolutely brilliant! We kicked things off with a fantastic puppet workshop led by David 'The Puppet Man', diving into traditional tales. Our writing sessions have been buzzing as we delved into 'Oliver's Vegetables,' exploring all the delicious themes in the story. We've also got our hands dirty in the school grounds, planting beans and tasting a range of lovely vegetables. In Maths, we've been having a blast with numbers that are '5 and a bit' and mastering the composition of 10. And let's not forget about our developing gross motor skills in the sunshine. What a term it's been!





Sloths class! In PSHE, we've been exploring who helps us in our community, taking a lovely walk around Shepshed to discover key places that support us. In DT, we got crafty making our own puppets using running stitch and even performed for the class! Our Maths adventures included recognising coins and giving change, while in music, we've been mastering handbells and boomwhackers. We've also compared Shepshed to Kampong Ayer in

Geography. Sloths, you truly deserve this half-term holiday! Well done!

Wow, what a busy term it's been in the

Even though this half-term has been a short one, the Owls have had a jampacked few weeks! In Geography, we finished our unit on Kampong Ayer and celebrated by creating some fantastic pictures of tropical rainforests. In English, we enjoyed performing "Queue for the Zoo" by Clare Bevan before crafting our own brilliant pieces. DT was a triumph as the Owls impressed everyone with their sewing skills—knots and pricked fingers included! Now, we're diving into History, exploring the Roman Empire in 79 AD. It's a significant year, but why? Stay tuned to find out!



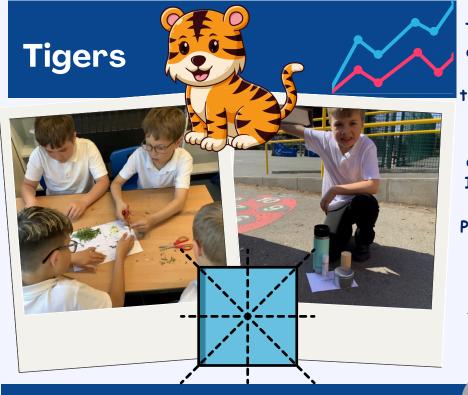
Leopards



What a grrrreat 4 weeks the
Leopards have had! We've delved into
our new book, 'The Firework Maker's
Daughter' by Philip Pullman, and the
children have been busy creating their
own fireworks, complete with
persuasive descriptions to entice
buyers! In science, we've donned our
botanist hats, exploring the parts of
flowering plants and conducting an
experiment to see how seed quantity
affects growth. PE has been a blast
with rounders, where we're honing our
bat and ball skills and enjoying some
spirited team games every week!

What a term we've had! It may be short, but it was mighty! In English, we kicked off our new book, The Firework Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman, and absolutely loved creating our own fireworks, writing persuasive adverts to get people excited to buy them. We'll continue Lila's quest next term, which we can't wait for! In maths, we've worked hard on decimal numbers, linking them to money—adding and subtracting pounds and pence. Our geography topic on megacities was fascinating, and we enjoyed presenting our findings through PowerPoints, refining our computing skills along the way!





The Tigers have worked hard and had a blast during the last four weeks! In Maths, we wrapped up our Shape topic, delving into polygons and lines of symmetry, before jumping into our Statistics unit. Interpreting charts and line graphs has been a lot of fun! In English, we've started reading The Firework-Maker's Daughter by Philip Pullman and have written some creative adverts and diary entries for Lila's jungle adventures. In Music, we've explored technology, structure, and form, composing rhythmic pieces with body percussion and enhancing our class song. What an exciting term!

Quokkas, Foxes and Lions.



This term has been an exciting journey for our students! In art, we've really enjoyed getting outside and starting to learn about land and cityscapes, capturing the beauty of our surroundings. In science, we've explored the fascinating life cycles of various animals—including amphibians, mammals, insects, and birds—highlighting both their similarities and differences. Our French lessons have taken a fashionable turn with a focus on clothes, and beginning to express what we wear in different weather conditions.

In RE, we dived deeper into our learning from our visit to the Hindu temple last term, reflecting on why Hindus strive to be good. Geography has taken us to the UK's national parks, where we've discussed what makes them "breathing"

spaces" and how we can protect our own spaces at school. Plus, our trip to Warning Zone was brilliant, helping us grapple with real-life risks. A massive shout-out to our Year 6s for their hard work preparing for SATs, and to our incredible Year 5s for being adaptable teammates! What a fantastic term!