

# Oxhey Newsletter



## A message from Mrs Jukes & Mrs Holt....

Dear parents and carers,

What an action-packed half term we've had with so many highlights including:

- \*CFLP Pupil Forum
- \*Young Voices
- \*Safer Internet Day
- \*Number Sense Day
- \*The space dome experience
- \*Faith in Focus week
- \*Exciting trips out
- \*Forest schooling and sports events.

The children had a "LOVE-ly" time last night at the Valentines disco. HUGE thanks go to our PTFA for organising it, the staff who helped out and to you all for your continuing support. We cannot wait for the reading den to arrive this year following all the fundraising towards it.

On behalf of all the staff team, we wish you a wonderful half term holiday and look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb.



## Diary Dates

**HALF TERM**  
17th - 21st February

**SCHOOL RE-OPENS**  
24th February

**Y2 STAFFORD CASTLE TRIP**  
5th March

**WORLD BOOK DAY**  
6th March



**KS1 SHINE MORNING**  
12th March

**KS2 SHINE MORNING 9.15am**  
(all classes)  
13th March

**EYFS SHINE MORNING**  
14th March

**SCIENCE WEEK**  
14th March



**Inspire Dance Show**  
19th March



**Spring reports**  
9th April

**Easter Bingo—5pm**  
10th April



**EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade**  
11th April



**Last day of term**  
11th April

**Easter Holidays**  
14th-25th April

**Bank Holiday Monday**  
5th May

Class	Attendance	This Week's Winners..... Sparkly Spiders
Sparkly Spiders	100%	
Fabulous Foxes	93%	
Terrific Turtles	94%	
Perfect Pandas	92%	
Amazing Alligators	96%	
Marvellous Meerkats	91%	
Outstanding Owls	91%	



## School lunches

From **Monday 28th April** lunches will be **£3.20** per child per day. Free school meals and universal free school meals still apply.

Our whole school attendance target is **96.4%**.  
This week, our school attendance was **93.3%**

# Rewards and Celebrations



## Pupils of the Week & TIGER Learners

- LL Otis, Rosie  
Elsie & Lily
- SS George & Jesse
- TT Charlie F & Sienna
- PP Ralph & Holly
- AA Isabelle L & Calista
- MM Jack H & Emma
- OO Alex & Toby R
- FF Jacob A & Josslyn



## TT Rockstars

Winning class  
Fabulous Foxes

### 1st place

Jack H  
Tyler  
Hollie

### 2nd place

Emily  
Ruby R  
George M

### 3rd place

Myla  
Stanley  
Isla

### Most improved

Isabelle H  
Leo  
George B



## Numbots

Winning class  
Amazing Alligators

AA Kai

PP Bobby

TT Rose



## House points

Ravenclaw	467
Slytherin	537
Gryffindor	523
Hufflepuff	516

## Ready, Steady, Read!

The results are based on the number of children who have read four or more times in the week.



### 1st

Sparkly Spiders &

Terrific Turtles

100%

### 2nd

Amazing Alligators

70%

### 3rd

Outstanding owls

52%

Well done to everyone who read and took

# In the spotlight this week .....

## Meet our Reading Champions



We are Annabelle, Emily, Elspeth and Hannah - your Reading Champions.



Our Reading Champions help to promote reading for pleasure across our school.

### Meet Hannah

Hi, my name is Hannah and I am a Reading Champion. I love this role because it has given me the confidence to read aloud to different children and to become a better reader.

### Meet Elspeth

Hi, my name is Elspeth and I am a Reading Champion. This experience has given me the confidence to talk to other people about books. Some of the books that I have read have really inspired me to read more.

### Meet Annabelle

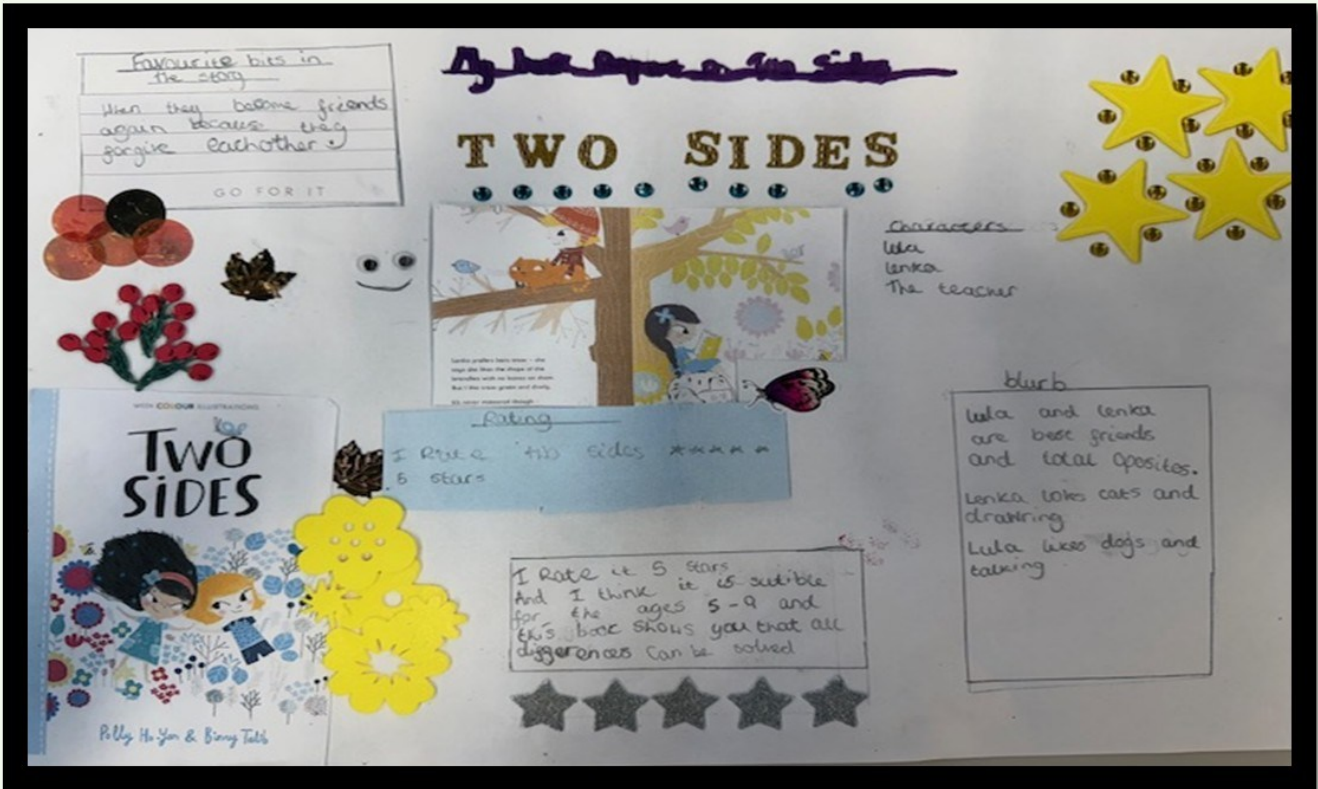
Hi, my name is Annabelle and I am a Reading Champion. I love this role because I really like seeing people who didn't read at all start to love reading! I have even been reading more myself, it is so much fun getting caught up in a new world!

### Meet Emily

Hi, my name is Emily and I am a Reading Champion. Mrs Peach has encouraged me to read even more than I did before I started this role. I like this role because you can teach librarians, read to different classes and expand your mind further!

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**The Worst Witch by Jill Murphy**

 The Worst Witch is a fun and magical story about Mildred Hubble, a clumsy but kind-hearted girl. However, she keeps getting into all sorts of trouble with her friends!

 **Main characters**  
Mildred Hubble - The main character  
Tabby - Mildred's cat  
Miss Cackle - The headmistress  
Miss Hardbroom - A strict teacher  
Ethel Hallow - A mean girl who is always getting Mildred into trouble

 **My favourite part**  
My favourite part is when Mildred mixes up a spell and turns Ethel into a pig!

 I would recommend this book to anyone who likes magic and funny stories as well as friendship.

★★★★★ Five star rating!!




 

**Falaway Tree**  
by Enid Blyton  
Illustrated by Alex Paterson

**Age group!**  
I would say this age group is 5 to 8 because it won't be scary, and a similar book is the Famous Five.

**Reading is important because...**

- you can't write if you can't read.
- reading is easy when the news papers, books, writing
- checking something back

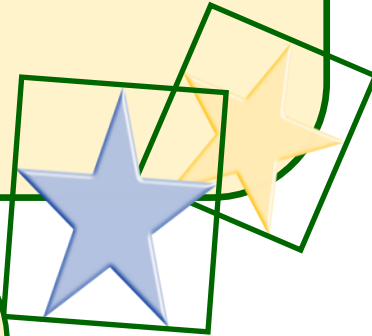


**What I like about the book**  
I like in the book where they keep going into funny, scary, delicious lands that they don't know about!

**What I dislike about the book**  
I don't like the part where they keep on and on getting in trouble and when they run get sick and they have to find some special medicine for her in the land on top of the Falaway Tree.

**Action and Adventure**  
I predict action and adventure because they have to figure out how to stop them and to turn them selves back to normal from the land of toys.  
I love that Enid Blyton who wrote the book used their imagination to think of this book!

# WOW Awards



## SCHOOL COUNCIL

The school councilors and play leaders met this week to discuss playtimes & lunchtimes and how we could improve them:

- ◆ Zoning for different games and activities.
- ◆ Challenge cards.
- ◆ Fitness equipment
- ◆ Rota of activities
- ◆ Playleaders taking a leading role in supporting others.

These will be put in place after half term we look forward to seeing them in action!

### #WakeUpWednesday

#WakeUpWednesday aims to equip every trusted adult with the knowledge and skills that they need to keep up with the latest information, implement best practice and heighten their awareness of issues around three core topics; online safety, mental health & wellbeing; and climate change & sustainability.

Relevant to all parents and educators, from early years through to secondary school, the #WakeUpWednesday resources can be accessed both on a desktop and via our #WakeUpWednesday app, providing instant and easy access to world-class expertise in the areas they need the most anytime, anywhere.

This week I would like to direct your attention to **Mental Health Conversation Starters**

[Mental Health Conversation Starters | Free E-Safety Guide](#)

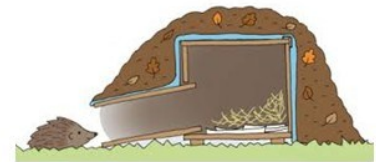


# Shine Week

10th—14th March



This term we are focussing on our  
ECO Schools award!



EYFS will be making some bird



feed-

ers

KS1 will be making some hedgehog  
houses

KS2 will be creating wild-  
flower areas and planting  
as well as making some bird  
houses



bulbs,

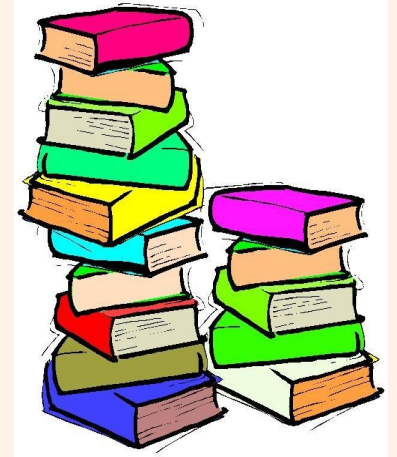


We welcome any and all donations of

- wild flower seeds
- seasonal bulbs
- small plant pots
- Wooden pallets



Coming soon ...  
World Book Day -



Thursday 6th March 2025

At Oxhey, we will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 6th March 2025. This years theme is **'Read Your Way'**.

**On this day we are inviting children to come to school dressed as their favourite story book character.**

As part of our World Book Day celebration we will be holding a Whole School Competition. We are asking children to create a reading den at home and to take a picture of themselves reading in their den for our competition. Please print out the pictures and bring them into school during the week beginning - 3rd March 2024. Winners will be announced on Thursday 6th March.

As part of the celebration we have organised an author visit for Friday 7th March. More information regarding this event will follow.