



Ocean wave



February 2020

Message from the Principal – Mrs Quarrie

Dear Parents and Carers

This term we have been working on our learning skill of **RESILIENCE** where we have challenged the children to achieve more than they thought they could, motivated them to **KNOW MORE, REMEMBER MORE** by improving long term memory and continued to allow all children to thrive without the fear of failure. I am always so impressed by the children and the progress they have made – there is a significant difference in the quality of the work I have seen in children’s books. I am also in awe of the kindness and respect many of our children show on a regular basis – what fantastic role models for Ocean Academy and for you as parents.

As well as the continually updated website and Twitter feed, we now have a new **FACEBOOK** page – please keep up to date with all things ‘Ocean’ at *Ocean Academy @aatocean*. **Please be mindful that this is a place to celebrate our children and any attempt to use it for a moan will not be tolerated.** As ever, our door is always open should you have a concern, compliment or question. Many thanks to Miss Jordan who has been instrumental in setting this up and for her work relating to the website / advertising.

Please remember to sign up for the parent / teacher consultations – the online link opens on 13th March. This is such a valuable time to speak directly to your child’s class teacher about their strengths and areas to develop. If you cannot make this date, please speak to your child’s class teacher as we are aiming to speak to **all** parents.. Your child’s books will also be available to look at and we will be handing out our annual parent questionnaire as your thoughts and ideas are always welcome.

As part of our pledge to enhance academic, social, emotional, physical and mental health for our pupils and their families, I would like to bring your attention to the following help line. Never hesitate to come and speak to us should you feel this would be helpful.

24/7 mental health helpline

0300 123 5440

Connection is available to people of all ages, anywhere in Dorset, to access round-the-clock mental health advice and support



Dorset HealthCare University
NHS Foundation Trust

As part of our ongoing Academy improvement, last year, we changed the way we taught writing and this year we have focused on the teaching of reading. We are already seeing positive improvements as the children are now taught not only to read sight words, but to develop vocabulary, enhance comprehension and understand formality, purpose and audience. Our pupils are reading with accuracy and speed.

Best wishes

J. Quarrie

Mrs J Quarrie – Principal

Check out 100 reasons to read below !

Our Behaviour rules are :

Be Kind

Make Good Choices

Be Safe

Be Responsible

100 REASONS TO READ !

1. Helps you learn new things
2. Go on an adventure without leaving your house
3. Expand your vocabulary
4. Learn from someone else
5. Sharpens your brain
6. Helps you grow
7. Relaxes you
8. You can try different genres
9. Helps your spelling
10. Makes you happier
11. Increases worldview
12. Helps you dream big
13. Makes you think
14. Helps increase emotional intelligence
15. Lets you learn about new people
16. Kills boredom
17. Shows you a new perspective
18. Challenges your perspective
19. Helps improve your writing
20. Shows you what's possible
21. Helps you focus
22. Improves conversational skills
23. Inspires you
24. Makes you a better leader
25. Gives you fresh ideas
26. Increases attention span
27. Helps you learn a new skill
28. Makes history easier to remember
29. Helps problem solving skills
30. It's fun
31. Helps spend time off electronics
32. Increases reading speed
33. Teaches you fun facts
34. Inexpensive
35. Helps you appreciate new things
36. To explore new places
37. You get to visit the library more
38. Encourages you to think
39. Travel back in time
40. Travel forward in time
41. Travel to a new world!
42. Increases concentration
43. Helps with development
44. Develop empathy
45. Gives you something to do
46. Boosts brain power
47. Helps you in school
48. Takes you on a journey
49. Relieves stress
50. Temporarily escape reality
51. Variety of options
52. Keeps your brain busy
53. Can be great for bonding time
54. Helps you speak better
55. Improves critical thinking
56. Helps you feel smarter
57. Learn something new
58. Great for all age ranges
59. Easily portable
60. Helps you sleep before bed
61. Find inspiration
62. Helps your grammar
63. Improves your brain
64. Builds self confidence
65. Inspires you to try something new
66. Brightens your day
67. Shows you more than the movie
68. Learn about your country's history
69. Gives you something to think about
70. Makes you wonder
71. Experience another culture
72. Keeps you busy
73. Builds self esteem
74. It's entertaining
75. Stimulate your brain
76. Great for self improvement
77. Helps your communication
78. Can make you feel any emotion
79. Gives you something to discuss
80. Makes you feel good
81. Can help you meet new people
82. You can do it anywhere
83. Improve language skills
84. Increases comprehension
85. Helps with story telling
86. Learn how the world works
87. Fuels your imagination
88. Makes you curious
89. Improves your memory
90. Learn more about language
91. Read at your own pace
92. Challenges you
93. Boosts creativity
94. Helps you tell stories better
95. Gives you something to talk about
96. You can read aloud
97. You can read with a friend
98. You can read by yourself
99. There are so many good books
100. Because you can!





Reminder!

School Office reminders

Please update all change of details: address, contact number, email address as soon as changes occur – we need contact details to be accurate. Please check all payments are up to date on School Money if your child has a trip or has a school lunch. Do not forget to check the Ocean Splash each week as this is the weekly guide to what is happening.

If you need any new uniform we do have a small stock and also second hand jumpers – drop into the office for more information.

Year 3 Updates

What a great half term we having! The children are all working so hard and shown fantastic **resilience** in their learning. We have introduced many new concepts in English and maths and the children have used their growth mind set even when finding things tricky. We are continuously working on our times tables to help children build on their confidence and fluency, please continue to work on these at home to help you child. We have a few highlights from last half term including the amazing science to launch our Aspiration focus, an amazing trip to Winchester Science Centre and a visit from Storm the dog. PE sessions this half term have been a hit as year 3 have been working with Mr White, Mr Tharme and Rippa Rugby. A massive thank you to parents who have supported the completion of homework each week. We really do try our best to match it to the learning we do in school so that the children can apply what they have been learning at home and give you the chance to see how confident your child is when applying their skills in different contexts.

The Year 3 Team

Year 4 Updates

Year 4 have had a brilliant term enjoying the Rock Band topic. We have seen such a brilliantly creative side to the pupils as they created their own computer code to program a microbit to light up as part of their rock band stage. These looked brilliant set inside their wacky and wonderful 3D stage designs, which our local band, Bowties and Braces, absolutely loved! So much so in fact that they wanted to commend every group for their efforts with a certificate each, as well as our winners: Sienna, Ranya and Leo H(stage design); Daisy H, Tallulah and Jahan (coding) and our overall winners, Casey, Milo and Lily L who took home a microbit each! You can see videos of your child's final product via their google drive account, which they can access from home with their google log in details. In maths, we have made great progress through our multiplication and division topic and have seen many more children mastering their times tables. Please keep practising with your child at home, it is such an important skill as well as being very helpful in their learning in school. Year 4 do have a national multiplication test this year – so practice is vital to give your child the confidence to succeed all the way up to 12X12.

Year 4 Team

Year 5 Updates

We cannot quite believe we are already in Spring 2, and now just over half way through the school year. When we think back to September compared to now, the children have really done themselves (and us) proud with regards to their learning, independence, and growth mindset. It has been another busy few weeks in Year 5. In maths, the children are secure in multiplying up to 4-digit numbers by 2-digit numbers, and are now consolidating their understanding of the bus stop method to divide up to 4-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. They continue to challenge their learning on a daily basis, through reasoning and analysis style questions. In English, the children have enjoyed reading Frank Cottrell-Boyce's 'Cosmic', and have created their own piece of descriptive writing based on this novel. In science, we are beginning to move our learning on from forces onto planets. We now know how opposing forces act upon one another, about balanced and unbalanced forces and how surface area

impacts distance travelled by objects. Our visit from the planetarium has definitely given us a head start with our knowledge on each of the planets.

Year 5 Team

Year 6 Updates

It has been another month of fast-paced learning and accelerated progress in Year 6. The new reading lessons have paid dividends; after a round of mock SATs assessments, excellent progress has been made across the year group. Within these lessons, your child has been analysing such high-quality texts as: Treasure Island, War Horse, The Railway Children and The Hobbit to name just a few. To continue the support at home, keep giving your child opportunities to read and discuss their reading with them.

We have adapted our maths lessons to focus more accurately the needs of individual pupils. Children are now revising the mathematical arithmetic and reasoning topics that they previously struggled with. This allows us to fill any gaps in pupils' knowledge and deepen their current understanding. Not only will this improve their day to day and SATs performance, but it will allow for a smoother transition into key-stage 3 maths. **To support at home, have a go at working through exam-style questions with your child. Search 'maths4everyone' and click the 'SATs Questions by Topic' link for some brilliant resources.**

We have worked a lot on times table fluency this half-term and it is clear that many have been practising these at home. Each day in school, the children complete a 'Speedy Tables' worksheet whereby they fill in a times table grid. If they complete the grid with 100% accuracy in eight minutes, they move onto a more challenging grid the next day. This type of personalised challenge is well received by the pupils. The level of focus and effort during those eight minutes each day genuinely is a spectacle to behold. Our Year 6 pupils have had an engaging and enriching set of creative lessons this past month. They have been creating their own Banksy-inspired artworks with Miss Petford. With Mr Beedie, Year 6 have been practising and performing on the steel drums and, with Miss Jordan, the children have been studying and creating electrical circuits to make all manner of electrical devices.

Thank you for your support with homework recently. You will have noticed that we have increased the amount of homework. This is not only to help your child prepare for their SATs test but also to help prepare them for secondary school where the homework demand is greater. This is also in response to the parent homework questionnaire. Year 6 have made a fantastic start to 2020; their **resilience**, respectfulness and self-motivation continues to impress us.

Year 6 Team

Children, Parent, Teacher Association (CPTA)



Thank you for your contributions of second hand books and cakes. The next events for your diaries are as follows. Further details to follow. If you can help in any way please contact the CPTA – we desperately need more volunteers!

27th March - Mufti day – donations for Bunny bingo
1st April - Bunny Bingo
15th May - Book sale
3rd July - Mufti for donations for the summer fair
4th July - Summer fair

We would just like to thank all of the parents who helped out selling the cakes at the end of last half term – your help was really appreciated. I for one sampled far too many – they were lovely! (Mrs Quarrie)

Well done to Phoebe and Evelyn who sold cakes to raise money for Australia to support the people and animals in their time of need. Such a wonderful, charitable gesture. It is lovely to see that our children are so aware and care passionately about local, national and international issues.

World Book Day – 5 March 2020

Dress up as your favourite book character today – Please be mindful that this day is to celebrate reading, literary excellence and a love of books, writing and story telling. This is **not** a mufti or wear your own clothes day! A voucher will come home with your child and let us celebrate the day!



Attendance

*PA = Persistent Absence

Year	Present	PA	PA %
<u>Yr3</u>	<u>98.1%</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2.2%</u>
<u>Yr4</u>	<u>96.3%</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5.6%</u>
<u>Yr5</u>	<u>96.5%</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10.0%</u>
<u>Yr6</u>	<u>95.8%</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9.2%</u>
Total	96.7%	24	6.8%

Well done Year 3!

Let us work together to try to increase the present percentage to 97.5%. Thank you for your support with this. Please remember to contact the School Office on the day of absence before 9.30 am and then every day following this.

Sports



PE, Health and School Sport at Ocean Academy



Spring Term 1 fixtures and results:

Date	Competition/Event	Result	Well done to...	
08.01.2020	YR 5-6 BOYS FOOTBALL VS BCS <i>PEDSSA U11 LEAGUE MATCH</i>	Ocean 7 - 3 BCS	Ryan R Lewis K Kian M Jayden H Oliver P-L Monty M	Harlen R Patrick W Alfie A Zak C Stanley O William D
30.01.2020	YR 5-6 GIRLS INDOOR KWIK CRICKET FESTIVAL	NON COMPETITIVE	Lucie L Anais W Sarah W Erin F	Daisy S Carmen M Lily S Ava W
04.02.2020	YR 5-6 GIRLS FOOTBALL VS ST IVES <i>PEDSSA U11 LEAGUE MATCH</i>	Ocean 1 – 0 St. Ives	Shivvone W Gaia N Alice R Krystal G Lucie L Kaitlin M	Isabella K Lara P Megan P Anais W Karima B
05.02.2020	YR 5-6 SWIMMING GALA <i>POOLE SCHOOLS EVENT</i>	See individual results	Kobe E – 50m Breaststroke: 7 th Jake W – 50m Freestyle: 8 th Zach S - 50m Backstroke: 2 nd Cameron W - 100m Freestyle: 7 th and 25m Butterfly: 3 rd Zach P – 50m Freestyle: 9 th Milo B – 25m Butterfly: 8 th Lucas A – 50m backstroke: 5 th Kristian J – 50m Breaststroke: 11 th	Daisy S – 50m Backstroke: 8 th Beatrix A – 50m Freestyle: 7 th Ruby R – 50m Backstroke: 5 th Kaitlyn H – 50m Breaststroke: 3 rd Carmen M – 25m Butterfly: 10 th Olivia H – 50m Freestyle: 8 th Emma M – 100m Freestyle: 5 th and 25m Butterfly: 5 th Erin F – 50m Breaststroke: 12 th
05.02.2020	YR 5-6 INDOOR ATHLETICS <i>POOLE SCHOOLS EVENT</i>	1 st - Broadstone Middle: 410 points	Lily T Lily S	Patrick W Harlen R

		2nd – Ocean Academy: 408 points 3rd – Baden Powell: 376 points	Lara P Megan P Lucie L Anais W Mali B Isabella K	Jayden H Alfie A Archie M Lewis K Oliver P-L Oakley S
06.02.2020	YR 5-6 NETBALL VS EMMANUEL MIDDLE SCHOOL <i>PEDSSA U11 LEAGUE MATCH</i>	Emmanuel 15 - 2 Ocean	Lucie L Patrick W Harlen R	Lara P Taylor K Anais W
07.02.2020	YR 4 NETBALL VS LONGFLEET <i>PEDSSA U9 LEAGUE MATCH</i>	Longfleet 4 – 1 Ocean	Zachary K Casey M Ben W	Carmen M Ellie F
11.02.2020	YR 4 GIRLS FOOTBALL FESTIVAL	5 matches played W2 - D1 - L2	Lily R Carmen M Kaiya A-C Daisy H	Casey M Ellie F Taya Y
12.02.2020	YR 5-6 NETBALL VS HAMWORTHY <i>PEDSSA U11 LEAGUE MATCH</i>	Ocean 15 – 0 HPJS	Gaia N Lucie L Sarah W Patrick W	Harlen R Lara P Zach S Taylor K



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Diary Dates

28 Feb	Spirit of Adventure Morning
5 March	World Book Day – dress up as your favourite book character
23-27 March	Last clubs (no school or external clubs in last week of term)
27 March	Mufti Day for Bunny Bingo
1 April	Bunny Bingo
2 April	Parent Consultations – please sign up via Parents Evening System – live on 13 March - https://ocean.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/
3 April	Finish for Easter Holidays at 1pm



20 April	Summer Term starts
21 April	London Residential Meeting for Year 4 parents – 5.30pm in the school hall
5 May	Year 5 trip to Osmington Bay
7 May	Year 5 trip return from Osmington Bay
8 May	Bank Holiday (VE day)
11-15 May	SATS week – Yr 6, please DO NOT book time off school during this week
18 May	Year 4 London trip
19 May	Year 4 London trip returns
25 May	Half Term until 29 May – finish at 3.30pm
1 June	Bikeability course at Ocean until 4 June 2020 Year 6
8 June	Year 6 Activities week
26 June	Inset day school closed for students
3 July	Transition day Year 6
4 July	CPTA Summer Fair
17 July	School finishes for the Summer at 1pm