



We will remember them

Ocean wave



November 2020

Message from the Principal – Mrs Quarrie

Dear Parents / Carers

Thank you for your ongoing words of thanks and support as we carry on this journey through COVID. Staff really do appreciate this.

At the end of term you will receive a progress report for your child. We will now be sharing a progress report with you at the end of the autumn, spring and summer term. This will hopefully give you a better understanding of your child's strengths and areas for development throughout the year. You will be able to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions or concerns and there will continue to be 2 opportunities per year for a traditional parent / teacher meeting (or phone call if COVID continues!)

AUTUMN and SPRING version

Ocean Academy Poole An Aspirations Academy									
Termly report									
Autumn			Spring				Summer		
Name:	Class:		Reading:				Termly attendance:		
WTS	assessment	EKS	GOS	Requires improvement	Effort	Good	Excellent		
Target:									
Writing:									
WTS	assessment	EKS	GOS	Requires improvement	Effort	Good	Excellent		
Target:									
Maths:									
WTS	assessment	EKS	GOS	Requires improvement	Effort	Good	Excellent		
Target:									
WTS			EKS			GOS			
Working towards the expected standard			Working at the expected standard			Working at a greater depth standard (working above the expected standard)			
Ocean Academy Poole An Aspirations Academy									
If you would like to reply to this report, please return this slip to the school office.									
Child's Name:					Class:				
Signed:									

SUMMER version

Ocean Academy Poole An Aspirations Academy									
End of year report 2021									
Name:	Class:		Termly attendance:						
General comment:									
Reading:									
WTS	assessment	EKS	GOS	Requires improvement	Effort	Good	Excellent		
Target:									
Writing:									
WTS	assessment	EKS	GOS	Requires improvement	Effort	Good	Excellent		
Target:									
Maths:									
WTS	assessment	EKS	GOS	Requires improvement	Effort	Good	Excellent		
Target:									
FOUNDATION SUBJECTS:									
Science	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
Computing	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
History	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
Geography	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
Art and Design	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
Design and Technology	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
Art and Design	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
Music	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
PE	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
RE	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
PSHE	WTS	EKS	GOS	Effort:	A	B	C		
Pupil's reflection and aspirations:									
PRINCIPAL'S COMMENT:									
Signed Teacher:					Signed Principal:				
WTS					EKS				
Working towards the expected standard					Working at the expected standard				

We recently had a very successful visit from the Aspirations Director of Standards. He was incredibly impressed with the standard of work across the school, the behaviour and respect shown by the children and the progress being made by all children – whatever their starting point. We are ensuring that learning is leading the planning and that the children are accessing learning at the 'phase' they are ready for. Our children are articulate and engaged and their teachers have high expectations. Our focus now is to continue to work hard to close the gaps created due to time away from school during lockdown.

Keep safe and well.

Best wishes

Mrs J Quarrie

Principal

School Office reminders

Reminder!

Thank you for all your efforts with communicating absence, change of details and medication – if anything changes, please advise the School Office!

Second hand uniform

Due to COVID we will not be holding our termly second hand uniform sale. We are pleased to advise that our good quality used uniform items are available to purchase all year round (subject to availability). At the moment, we have several jumpers in various sizes ranging in price from £2 to £5 and a few blazers starting at £5 up to £15/£20, prices are based on the condition of the individual item. If you have any requirements and need to purchase additional items for your child please email finance@ocean-aspirations.org with details of what you are looking for together with sizes and we will have a look and get back to you with stock availability, price and arrange a suitable day and time to come in to view.

We also have new PE t-shirts, which is a recent, compulsory part of PE kit for year 3. Other year groups can purchase a coloured logo t-shirt which relates to their house group. These come in the following sizes: 7-8 years, 9-10 years and 11-13 years – Bournemouth house (yellow), Poole (red), Swanage (green) and Weymouth (blue). These cost £5.00. Please purchase via the school shop on School Money and we will deliver your item.



Year 3 Updates

Year 3 have come on leaps and bounds since the beginning of the year, settling into Ocean life seamlessly. For this half term, we have started our new topic: Robodog where the children have immersed themselves into the role of scientists, learning all about forces and magnets, and how to conduct an experiment! We have absolutely loved reading 'Until I Met Dudley' in our English lessons which has formed the basis of our 'to inform' writing. It has ignited our imaginative creativity, allowing us to write a range of impressive sentences and understand why we need to vary sentence types for our readers. In maths, we are place value heroes and are thoroughly enjoying our addition and subtraction calculations with regrouping! Well done to Year 3 who arrive each day with a happy, smiling face, ready to seize the day ahead! 😊

The Year 3 Team

Year 4 Updates

What a great start we have had to this half term. The children have all come back fully focused and with a positive attitude towards their learning.

The first day back saw the children take part in activities linked to our learning skill of respect and our Aspiration focus of Heroes. We decided to focus on respect for the environment linking it to our own local area after seeing the effects of tourism on our beaches over summer. The children worked in groups to come up with new ways to tackle the rubbish problem we faced back then. We then wrote a letter to the local council with our ideas with a few being sent off in the post. We are keeping everything crossed for a reply and seeing if we can become a local hero.



In science, we have moved on from learning about the teeth to the human digestion system. This was great fun as we did an experiment replicating the digestive process. It was an interesting and disgusting experiment but was great to see what happens to the food from the mouth right up to the waste product.



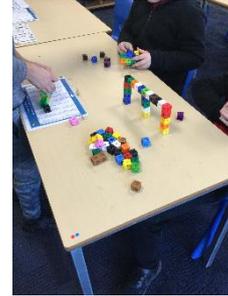
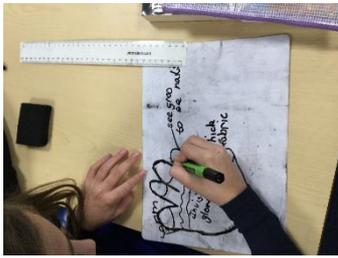
Elsewhere we have continued to round numbers in maths and in English we have started to read our class reader of 'The lost thing'. We got to explore the wonderful remembrance display put together by Mrs Cope and some year 6 children and then reflected upon some of the amazing things it taught us.

Year 4 Team

Year 5 Updates

Year 5 have continued to immerse themselves in their learning, showing enthusiasm, resilience and a growth mindset when faced with challenging learning opportunities. We have begun our new topic, Rocketman: fly me to the moon, and the children have become whizzes at learning, understanding and giving examples of the scientific vocabulary, including air resistance, water resistance, friction and many more. The children thoroughly enjoyed Astronaut Recruitment Day, participating in a variety of activities that replicate those that trainee astronauts have to complete as part of their initial training, including problem solving activities, reaction time tests and technical equipment use. In maths, we have been securing our understanding of rounding to the nearest ten, hundred, thousand, ten thousand, hundred thousand and million. We have been using rounding to estimate answers and understanding why it is an important skill to learn. In English, we have continued to develop our understanding of multi-clause sentences, using subordinating and coordinating conjunctions, whilst

understanding why it is important, as a writer, to vary sentence length. We have been using similes for effect, and discussing why similes are not always effective. We are so impressed with the positive attitudes of our Year 5 pupils. Their enthusiasm to learn ripples through the corridors and they really are a pleasure to teach! Keep up the great work Year 5! 😊



Year 5 Team

Year 6 Updates

Year 6 came back from their half-term break with renewed energy and enthusiasm. Pupils have recently completed their second round of mock SATs papers and staff continue to be impressed with their resilience and determination when faced with difficult tasks. Parents' support and pupils' hard-work is already paying dividends; progress across the year group is good. Continue to support at home by promoting regular reading and times table practise, both will always boost your child's ability across the curriculum.

We have begun to read of Stanley Yelnats' perilous fate in our class reader, *Holes*. It is shaping up to be an engaging page-turner as Stanley learns to navigate the murky world of Camp Green Lake. The book brings up some profound, age-old questions: when does the punishment fit the crime? To what extent must we conform to the expectations of others?

In geography, we recently learned about earthquakes. Pupils learned why earthquakes occur and what people do to minimise their devastating effects. See the geography Learning Journey Map on the school website - your child will be able to talk you through the key knowledge within.

Around Remembrance Day, in addition to assemblies and discussions in class, children got to experience a World War 2 exhibition in the hall. Special thanks to Mrs Cope for her hard work on this. The children went on a fact hunt to learn about the sacrifice that many have made to ensure that we can live in a free and fair society today. Towards the end of Year 6, we will learn about the second World War in depth.

Keep up the hard-work and great attitude Year 6!



Year 6 Team

Children, Parent, Teacher Association (CPTA)



Click on this link to download our expression of interest to help form and hand the completed form into the school office.

https://ocean.academies.aspirationsacademies.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2019/12/3_631_cpta-declaration-of-interest-letter-sep-19.pdf

We are delighted to have raised over £200 with Boo bingo for Halloween – what a great effort as it all happened online. Children have submitted designs for Christmas gifts and this has helped raise a further £63 for school funds.

Unfortunately due to the current COVID situation we are unable to hold our annual Christmas Fair. Instead we are planning to do online Christmas bingo for a donation on 4 December. In lieu of Christmas lunch this year children can wear their Christmas jumper on 4 December and we are hoping to hold Christmas bingo virtually on 11 December. Please register your interest for the bingo with the Parent CPTA on Facebook. It will follow the same format as for the Boo Bingo – please join us!

For the new year, 2021, if anyone has any fund raising suggestions we would love to hear from you. This year we have been very restricted but next year we hope to hold exciting events and would most welcome new faces and new ideas! Thank you to you all for your support!

The CPTA have an easy way of fund raising for the school – please have a look at the following link: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/oceanacademy/>

Internet Safety

Our children's safety is incredibly important to us as we endeavour to make all aspects of our curriculum include teaching and learning regarding the many ways we need to keep safe. There have been a number of concerns raised recently whereby our pupils are using social media in inappropriate ways **at home**. We cannot control what happens at home and so we urge parents to check that safety filters are set on your child's device and that they are only using age appropriate platforms. **Please also check if your child is part of a WhatsApp group etc. and what is being sent within these group chat platforms.** Thank you for your on-going support with this.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What are the minimum ages for **account holders** on these social media sites and apps?

Age Group	Platforms
Under 13 (with Parental Consent)	Path, Roblox, Fortnite (Age 12+), Minecraft (Age 7+)
13 +	Facebook, My Space, Dubsmash, Twitter, Skype, Facetime, Instagram, iTunes, Steam, Pinterest, ooVoo, Google+, Scout, Twitch, Tumblr, Meet Me, Discord, Reddit, Periscope, Snapchat, Ask-FM, LinkedIn, BBM, Sarahah, Yubo
16 +	WhatsApp, Line, WeChat, Kik, Keek, FourSquare, Flickr, TikTok (13+ with parental permission), Live.ly, Omegle
17 +	Vine, Whisper, Telegram, Yik Yak
18 +	Tinder, Yik Yak
18 (13 with parental permission)	YouTube, WeChat, Spotify (12 with parental permission), Play Store, YouTube, WeChat, Spotify (12 with parental permission), Kik, Keek, FourSquare, Flickr, TikTok (13+ with parental permission), Live.ly, Omegle

Attendance

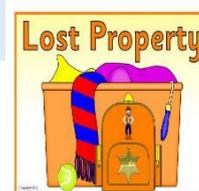
Year 3 Dolphins	98.16 %	Year 5 Orcas	96.5 %
Seahorses	96.44 %	Piranhas	97.67 %
		Seals	98.21 %
Year 4 Penguins	94.91 %	Year 6 Barracudas	78.13 %
Jellyfish	100 %	Swordfish	98.61 %
Turtles	96.30 %	Stingrays	95.88 %



Congratulations to all students at Ocean Academy for continuing to attend school despite the current pandemic. **Jellyfish** class since half term have an excellent record – well done!

Lost Property

Mrs Warn, Year 3 kindly looks after the lost property for the school. Please can we ask that items of uniform PE, coats and water bottles are named. Currently unclaimed items in particular are 12 hoodies/zip up sweatshirts with no names! Please contact the School Office if you think it may be lost!



Golden Book Winners



Year 3	Dolphins	Seahorses
23 October	Warren/Danica	Lexi/Lily
6 November	Evan/Miller	Aiza/Freya
13 November	Finlay/Mia	Charlotte/Lexi

Year 4	Turtles	Penguins	Jellyfish
23 October	Leo/Theo	Harrison/Leo	Aaron/Spencer
6 November	Poppy/Immy	Florence/Ocean	Hollie/Evie
13 November	Joridas/Andie	Lillie/Marcus	Kai/Spencer

Year 5	Orcas	Seals	Piranhas
23 October	Taya/Leah	Erica/Tyanna	Saffie/Kieron
6 November	Dylan/Ellie	Candice/Leo	Daisy/Lily
13 November	Nathan/Zach	Oliver/Sadie	Bailey/Casey

Year 6	Barracudas	Swordfish	Stingrays
23 October	Grace/Millie	Ava/Lily T	Gaia/Alan
6 November	Rudy/Oliver	Giovanna/Madison	Isla/Craig
13 November	Herby/Magenta	Lily H/Ella	Holly/Zach





Competition Winner !

We have received some exciting news that Max in Year 6 entered Fun Kids Radio Agent's Plan-It Challenge for Change competition. This is to help Agent Plan-It create a better future.

We are happy to say that Max's entry was selected as one of the lucky winners!

You can see the idea announced by Agent Plan-It <https://www.funkidslive.com/learn/agent/agent-plan-its-challenge-for-change/>

Max will receive a prize of a £50 Amazon voucher and £50 for the school, from the Royal Town Planning Institute in the next few weeks!

Well done Max!

Diary Dates

4 December	Christmas jumper day: Donations for Christmas online bingo <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Year 3 sweets /chocolates• Year 4 drinks• Year 5 Christmas stuff• Year 6 biscuits /chocolates
10 December	Flu immunisations – all years
11 December	Christmas online bingo, raffle
18 December	End of term – collect at <u>1pm</u>
4 January 2021	Start of Spring term – welcome back!
11 January	Clubs re-start this week
15-19 February	Half term week