



# Ocean wave

## June 2021



**SELF WORTH**

**ENGAGEMENT**

**PURPOSE**

### Message from Mrs Quarrie

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you so much for your generous donations towards our collection for MIND. The walk seemed to be thwarted, but we finally managed to walk with smiles on our faces and we have raised £566! This will be forwarded to MIND. For further details about the wonderful work MIND do and how to access support, you can visit <https://www.mind.org.uk/>

The extension of Lockdown somewhat changed the agenda for transition, but we will continue to put in place as many activities as possible to ensure our children feel confident to move onto the next stage in their journey. Many of the teachers from our local secondary schools came to speak to our year 6s and this has been really beneficial as many of their questions and concerns were answered. More information about ongoing events for our year 6s will be communicated to parents as we are able to. Our in-school transition on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July will continue so that our year 3-5 will have the opportunity to experience their new class, classroom and teacher. If you have any questions, please do contact the school office.

Our staffing structure for 2021/22 is currently as follows:

YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
DOLPHINS Miss West	PENGUINS Miss Wandowski	ORCAS Mr Simkin	BARRACUDAS Mr Lee
SEAHORSES Miss Clarke	TURTLES Mrs Yates	SEALS Miss Wilding	SWORDFISH Mrs Brown
SHARKS Miss Burnett	JELLYFISH (INTERVENTION) Miss Pell	PIRANHAS Miss Foreman	STINGRAYS Miss Steele (0.6) Mrs Partridge (0.4)
PPA Teachers: Mr C Beedie and Miss M Petford Sports Teacher: Mr K White			
Teaching Assistants Mrs Cobb Mrs Elliot Mrs Warn Mrs Crook	Teaching Assistants Miss Scott Mrs Smith Mrs Edwards Mrs Cope TBA	Teaching Assistants Mrs Vingoe Mrs Hurley Mrs Bridges Mrs Knight (SALT)	Teaching Assistants Mrs Turner Mrs Momeva Mr Hall
Pastoral : Mrs Simpson			ELSA: Mrs Cobb

At the end of this academic year, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Damon who has followed her dream to become a reception teacher, Miss Jordan who wants to follow other avenues (in and out of the school environment) and Mrs Ford who is following her dream of becoming a teacher. We would just like to thank them all for their loyalty, hard work and support. They have all contributed tremendously to the education and wellbeing of each child and we wish them the very best.

We would formally like to welcome Mr Simkin who is our new Year 5 leader. He comes to us with a wealth of experience teaching in KS2. We also welcome Miss Burnett who will be the class teacher in Sharks. Miss Burnett also has a wealth of experience working in KS2.

Well done to every child, parent and member of staff for making this half term such a success. Coming back after lockdown has evoked every emotion, behaviour and challenge and we should all be proud of our successes.

Kindest Regards

J. Quarrie

Mrs J Quarrie  
Principal



## School Office Reminders

As we approach the end of the school year please could we remind you to purchase your uniform in good time for September via <http://www.brigade.uk.com/direct/index.php>. We do have a very small stock at school. We do have a small amount of second hand uniform and for the leaving pupils in year 6 we can accept laundered blazers and jumpers in good condition. Please inform us if any data changes – move house, change mobile numbers – thank you!

## Year 3 Updates

Year 3 has returned from half term excited and ready to learn! We are so impressed with their attitude to learning and they all showed a brilliant Growth Mindset during our assessment week. The hot weather has provided lots of opportunities to take our learning outside and we have loved reading stories in the woodland area as well, in particular our new focus text: The Boy Who Grew Dragons. From this text, our writing focused on using commas to separate items in a list and modal verbs within instruction writing. In maths we have focused on multiplication and we are growing confident in using the formal written method for this. Our new history topic is Ancient Egypt and the children are looking forward to immersing themselves in this era. Year 3 were proud to contribute to our whole school MIND awareness walk.



## The Year 3 Team

## Year 4 Updates

It has been a busy few weeks in Year 4! It was wonderful to see the children fully immerse themselves into their Tudor day - the costumes looked fantastic! We all thoroughly enjoyed an interesting digital workshop with Poole Museum, especially learning how to use a knitting wheel.

In geography, our mountain topic was welcomed with great enthusiasm. The children showed confidence when using an atlas to locate major mountain ranges and demonstrate the formation of

different mountains. They used their understanding of climate and environment to create their own mountain survival toolkit.

In English, the children learned how different language features, including expanded noun phrases and imperative verbs, can be used within persuasive radio adverts. They have worked hard to expand their vocabulary and consolidate their understanding of sentence structures. In maths, the children have continued to embed their arithmetic understanding and enjoyed solving problems involving decimal numbers.

We were incredibly impressed with the exemplary behaviour shown by all the children during our Mind walk around the school grounds. We are now looking forward to the last few weeks of the summer term and getting ready for the transition into Year 5. Keep being brilliant, Year 4 :)



**Year 4 Team**

### **Year 5 Updates**

We can't quite believe we are in the final term of the school year. As teachers, we are so proud of each and every one of the children with how well they have done with their learning. The children are highly self-motivated, resilient and are always displaying a growth mindset.

In English, we have been reading *Skelling* by David Almond. We have been looking at our model text on *Black Birds* and began our learning about relative clauses.

We have had a busy term learning all about Hinduism and Brahman, the Supreme God. As well as this, we have been learning about relationships and sex education, as well as the damaging effects of smoking and alcohol.

We have been so lucky to have such lovely weather this half term, particularly on our P.E. days. Fingers crossed the weather stays nice and the streak of 'wet Wednesday's' no longer continues! The children have thoroughly enjoyed participating in rounders, tennis and using the gymnastics equipment. The children are consistently showing good sportsmanship and are always encouraging of their peers.

As a whole school, we participated in a charity walk for MIND. The children behaved impeccably and embraced the school grounds around them.



**Year 5 Team**

### **Year 6 Updates**

Year 6 have completed their end of Key Stage 2 tests. In lieu of SATs, we provided them with the 2019 SATs paper in order to showcase their maths and reading skills. Teachers are mightily impressed with pupils' efforts. At Ocean, staff have high expectations of pupils and in this case, our expectations have been exceeded! Not only are we impressed with our pupils academically, they maintained a growth mindset throughout the tests. Children dealt with a set of difficult test papers in a confident and mature manner and displayed resilience and perseverance throughout. Pupils regularly take part in assemblies and discussions around the growth mindset ethos that we promote here at Ocean and it is wonderful to see this important message having a positive impact on pupils.

Our online Design Technology event hosted by SmartSTEMs was one of this month's highlights. Pupils met two women working in technology fields, Penny and Maria, and were able to ask them questions about their careers and how they got to where they are. Penny, a Project Design Engineer, told us of how she has been designing machinery that is used in Asia to separate rice from its husk. Maria describes herself as an ethical hacker. She gets employed by companies to hack into their systems to test how secure they are. Maria also had some very useful advice for us about how to stay safe online. Year 6's preparations for their 'Make £5 Grow' project are fully underway. Pupils are incredibly excited about the project as they summon their inner entrepreneur. The aim: how much money can you make having been given an investment of £5? In thirty years' time, when they find themselves climbing the Sunday Times Richlist, pupils are encouraged to remember their inspiring teacher should they feel philanthropic. The children will be selling their products towards the end of the term so make sure you grab yourself a bargain!



**Year 6 Team**

## **STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths)**

Year 6 joined up with Smartstems, a Scottish based charity which helps to connect schools to STEM based role models.

We held a virtual STEM morning which consisted of listening to two young and inspiring female STEM experts talk about their careers and how they got into them. After that, the children had a live question and answer session with the experts.

The Year 6 children were fascinated to listen to cyber security analyst, Maria Khokhar, who talked about ethical hacking, the importance of online safety and how she became a cyber security expert. They also listened to Penny Morton, a product designer engineer, who talked about how her love of creative problem solving and STEM subjects like physics and maths led her to an exciting career as a product design engineer.

After the speakers, the children were set a problem solving task – to design and build the tallest tower out of paper plates. The winning groups are looking forward to receiving a special prize in the post from SMARTstems.

The challenge was then followed by a discovery question time - discussing how a current real life problem could be solved in the future.

The event was designed to create and strengthen connections between industry and education, and help children to connect their current learning to future careers.

We look forward to working with SMARTstems again in the future to develop this STEM relationship and help the children to understand the breadth and depth of STEM careers that are available now and those that might be created in the future.

For more information visit [smartstems.org](http://smartstems.org)



## Children, Parent, Teacher Association (CPTA)



The Ocean Academy CPTA are holding an online fair. Information has been communicated via the Ocean Academy Parent Group on Facebook.

Thank you for your kind donations. The CPTA team are currently sorting through your generous donations and preparing them for the online fair.

This is a private group to join on facebook for the online fair – please click on the following link:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/773362253551690/?ref=share>



Roll roll up the CPTA are excited to be holding an online summer fair. You will be invited to join us from the 28th June until the 2nd July where there will be a chance to purchase gifts from small local businesses, a raffle, a tombola and duck races 🦆 Also if you would like to be involved or have any ideas please let us know. If you have a small business you can join us for £5 for a stall. 😊 The raffle will be drawn on the 2nd July.



## Attendance

Year	Class	Attendance %
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Year 3	Dolphins	98.85
	Seahorses	98.80
Year 4	Jellyfish	88.67
	Penguins	98.33
	Turtles	98.00
Year 5	Orcas	94.17
	Seals	93.79
	Piranhas	95.70
Year 6	Barracudas	95.17
	Stingrays	94.67
	Swordfish	97.14

Well done Dolphins, Seahorses in Year 3 and Turtles class in Year 4!

### Bag 2 school

We are once again organising a Bag 2 School collecting from the school on Friday 16 July. This is a good time to have a turn out and help raise some valuable funds for the school. The more we donate the more we raise.

Donations can be brought to the school in any black bag or carrier bag on Thursday 15 July or first thing on the Friday morning. We cannot accept donations before those dates as we do not have suitable space.

We accept the following 'good quality' items for REUSE\*: \* We reserve the right to refuse any unsuitable items

- Men's, Ladies' and Children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together or elastic band around)
- Handbags
- Hats
- Bags
- Scarves and ties
- Jewellery
- Lingerie
- Socks
- Belts
- Soft toys
- Household linen
- Household curtains
- Household towels
- Household bedding (bed sheets, pillow cases and duvet covers)



[www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com)

We **DO NOT** accept:

- Duvets and blankets, pillows and cushions
- Carpets, rugs and mats (including bath, shower and toilet mats)
- Soiled, painted, ripped or wet clothing
- School uniforms with and without logo
- Corporate clothing and workwear
- Textile offcuts, yarns or threaded material

### Sports report June



What a busy term we have had with sports/PE at Ocean Academy. With the weather finally turning for the better, the children have been enjoying all aspects of school sport and PE outside.

**Year 3:**

They have continued to work on the fundamental movement skills and progressed into small matches with Rippa Rugby, and learning that you don't always have to win to make progress and how to lose with humility. At the start of the term, the children had the opportunity to take part in dance with Mr White, which included both following a set routine to several different songs (although the children were not keen on Mr White's music taste) and creating their own routine with the moves they had learnt. They are now using the apparatus within gymnastics, focusing on their ability to balance and climb. Well done Year 3 for your effort and learning this term.

**Year 4:**

The children have made great progress in their athletics, with each child getting quicker at running both short and long distances. The most noticeable progress across the year group was in the speed bounce and standing long jump. Well done Year 4! We have also been learning the skills involved in cricket and we may have a few budding cricketers on our hands as they are continuing to make excellent progress with both hitting for power and into space with Mr Beedie. In gymnastics, the children have started to learn to tumble and leap safely and with control, as well as continuing to focus on their balancing and jumping. Well done Year 4 for working so hard in PE this term.

**Year 5:**

This term, we have been very lucky to have Bradley from Cricket UK leading one of our PE sessions. It has been great to work with him and learn from his extensive cricket knowledge and skill. The children have made great progress in implementing all he has taught them. In dance, Miss Foreman has been working with the children to develop a dance routine to the Coldplay song, 'A sky full of stars'. Whilst observing this, it was clear to see how much they were really enjoying this learning. In athletics this term, the children have been focusing on their throwing and jumping skills and have really focussed to improve in these areas. We have also had a focus this term on developing our hand-eye coordination, applying this through rounders and tennis. In gymnastics, we have focussed on developing upper body strength and the ability to climb. Well done Year 5 on such a successful term of learning.

**Year 6:**

Year 6, started the term with Mr White in the hall, doing a variety of different activities. These included but were not limited to: bench ball, capture the flag and gymnastics. We did this so that the children could try and experience as many fundamental movement skills as possible. Outside, we have also developed our skills through rounders to focus on hand-eye coordination. This half of the term, we also welcomed back Miss Steele and her dancing expertise. She is now teaching Dance with a mixture of both followed routine and sequencing our own dance moves. Mrs Turner is following on from our rounders learning and is now teaching tennis to implement these skills in a new discipline. Mr White is focusing on sports day and is using his rotation so the children can practise for the big day in July. Well done Year 6 for another fantastic term of learning!

**Inter-school competition:**

Some really great news to start with: we were so fortunate and excited to be able to offer 12 students, who have trained tirelessly since Year 4, the opportunity to (finally) attend our first event in over 12 months. This was an athletics event held at Broadstone Middle School. We had some fantastic results both as a team and individually. Cameron W placing 1st overall for the boys and Lily S and Lily T placing 1st and 2nd overall respectively: This is an incredible individual achievement. As a school, we achieved an overall 2nd place and we are so proud of all of the children who attended this event and represented Ocean Academy so well!

**Golden Book Winners June**

**Congratulations to all the winners!**

<u>Year 3</u>	<u>Dolphins</u>	<u>Seahorses</u>
28 May	Dailsy-Mae/ Milly	Georgia/Connie
11 June	Cian/Hayden	Jack/Rosie
18 June	Evie/Finlay	Zakk/Aiza

<u>Year 4</u>	<u>Turtles</u>	<u>Penguins</u>	<u>Jellyfish</u>
28 May	Jake/Kyden	Aly/Sam	Evie/Oliver
11 June	Emilia/Oliver	Olivier/Maja	Scarlett/Stella
18 June	Leo K/Diana	McKenzie/Florence	Berin/Fletcher

<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Orcas</u>	<u>Seals</u>	<u>Piranhas</u>
28 May	Ellie/Lilly R	Jess/Lillie-Ann	Sienna/Bailey
11 June	Aimee/Ellie	Alyssa/Damian	Daisy/Casey
18 June	Will/Amelie	Oliver M/Carmen	Henry/Charlie

<u>Year 6</u>	<u>Barracudas</u>	<u>Swordfish</u>	<u>Stingrays</u>
28 May	Kristian/Zach	Skye/Shai	Gabriel/Holly
11 June	Oliver W/Olivia W	Amira/Zakk	Krystal/Jaden
18 June	Leo/Ellie	Isabel S/Lily T	George/Lucas



### Mind walk

Well we finally managed to complete the Mind walk today as on the other two occasions the weather was not being kind to us! Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated to this great cause. Some individuals donated in a special way – Amelie by walking a mile each day and raising in excess of £70. Other parents and the CPTA were very generous in helping us raise heartfelt thank you for all the money going to Dorset Mind Your Head.

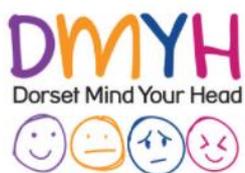
Dorset Mind Your Head services are specifically dedicated to supporting and educating children and young people.

On behalf of our young person who instigated the walk, we have been bowled over by the amount raised and those that have gone beyond in their tenacity, generosity and support. The grand total raised was £566 – amazing – thank you!





**The Young Minds Parents Helpline can be contacted on 0808 802 5544 (Monday to Friday 9.30am – 4pm, free for mobiles and landlines)**



**YOUNG MINDS**

### Diary Dates

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| <b>1 July</b>   | <b>Viking day – Year 5 – Dress Up</b>              |
| <b>5-7 July</b> | <b>Year 6 PGL residential to Osmington Bay</b>     |
|                 | <b>Year 6 Activities non residential</b>           |
| <b>9 July</b>   | <b>Ancient Egyptian day – Year 3 – Dress Up</b>    |
| <b>13 July</b>  | <b>Year 3 sports afternoon 1-3pm children only</b> |
| <b>14 July</b>  | <b>Year 4 sports afternoon 1-3pm children only</b> |
| <b>15 July</b>  | <b>Year 5 sports afternoon 1-3pm children only</b> |

16 July

Year 6 sports afternoon 1-3pm children only

16 July

Bag to school donations – clean items in carrier/black bag

22 July

Year 6 assembly - fingers crossed!

23 July

Finish at **1pm** for the Summer holiday