

Ocean wave

July 2021

Message From Mrs Quarrie - Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

As another school year comes to a close, we can all congratulate ourselves on a job well done! We have found a strength and resilience that we did not know we had and our children have thrived because of this. I have read every child's end of year report and they are testament to the hard work and dedication of the whole school community. Well done to every child in achieving such a positive report, I am sure as parents and carers you are very proud!

As our Year 6s get ready to move onto secondary school, we would like to wish them all the very best and every success in their future endeavours. Most have been working hard to think maturely and responsibly to support their transition to secondary school and they will be able to move forward feeling confident and self-assured that they can and will be the very best that they can be. Good luck and keep in touch Year 6!

I would like to introduce you to the new Aspirations CEO for the South Coast region. Mr David Herbert is currently the Principal at Budmouth Academy, Weymouth and we look forward to working with him from September 2021. Mr Herbert has already visited us here at Ocean Academy and was impressed by the curriculum, the vision and values of the academy and the engagement of the children in their learning. Mr Herbert is also an OFSTED inspector and has a wealth of knowledge to share across the South Coast.



As always, the first week back to school in September will be BELONGING week. We will focus on getting back into the swing of school life, routines and expectations. We will spend time getting to know each other again and making sure our mental health is as strong as our physical and academic strength. Belonging week is a time when new friends are made and any anxieties about being in a new class or new year group are concentrated on.

We are currently planning for all year groups to return on 6th September. We will continue to follow any government guidelines that may be in place at that time and we will share these with you if necessary.

I would like to wish you all a safe and restful summer.

Best wishes

J. Quarrie

Mrs J Quarrie

Principal



Uniform

- A grey blazer, with island blue braiding and the Ocean Academy logo
- A black v neck jumper, with island blue stripe edging and Ocean Academy logo
- A white long or short sleeved shirt (not polo shirt) and blue clip or full length tie must be worn all day
- Black trousers or skirt
- Black shoes (no trainers, open toes or high heels or black boots)
- In warmer weather children may wear grey formal shorts
- Blue and white gingham checked dresses in summer term only
- Blazers must be worn to and from school every day
- Only school approved badges should be worn on lapels of blazers
- Earrings should be one individual stud or a pair of small studs (should not be worn on PE days)
- Hair bands should be plain blue or black
- Tights should be plain grey, black or white
- Socks can be long or short and should be plain grey, black or white
- Hairstyles should be discrete and not include colours or patterns



PE KIT

- House colour T Shirt with Ocean logo in Year 3 and 4 (current Year 5 and 6 can purchase these also or wear a plain white T Shirt - no collar or logos/patterns)
- PLAIN black or navy tracksuit
- Trainers
- Long hair should be tied back and no jewellery or watches worn on PE days



School Office

As our year ends, we would like to send our best wishes to our departing Year 6 children. We wish you and your parents well as you move to your next school. To all our other children we hope you have a great summer, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you in September in your new year! If you are moving over the summer or changed your mobile number please let us know by phoning 01202 606888 or email office@ocean-aspirations.org – your data needs to be accurate.

We hope you have purchased your uniform if you require it for September. Mrs Fudge runs the new and second hand uniform. We have a small selection so please contact her if you need anything. During the first week back in September we are super busy so please let her know in advance! School lunches need to be booked online for September as normal. We have loaded two weeks only but will upload the full term's bookings in September. Have a super summer! Thank you for all your support! Mrs Burry and Mrs Fudge.



Year 3 Updates

We cannot quite believe that this year is nearly over - what a rollercoaster first year for you all! We are so proud of how well you have all coped with the restrictions and lockdowns. Throughout it all you have continued to show Growth Mind-sets and embrace your learning, these are fantastic traits to have as learners. This half term we have focused on the bus stop formal written method of division in maths. We have loved writing our explanation texts, informing the reader about 'how to train a dragon'. In our guided reading lessons we have learned about the skill of inference - using clues from the text or

pictures to make logical guesses when answering questions. In history we have been learning about the significance of the afterlife in Ancient Egyptian life and our Egyptian Day was a huge success - thank you for all the effort involved, the children looked fantastic! In our PSHE lessons we studied 'Changing Me' - a topic exploring body changes in puberty and how babies develop - the children were so mature and engaged sensitively in these conversations. The transition morning to Year 4 was a huge success and the children seem very excited about their prospective new classes. We know that you will all be brilliant going forward at Ocean but we will miss being your class teachers. Have a fantastic summer everyone, let's hope the sun makes more of an appearance!



Year 3 Team

Year 4 Updates

We cannot believe it is almost the end of the summer term and soon enough, the children will be starting their new adventures in Year 5. We are so incredibly proud of the effort and determination shown by all the children throughout this year. They have worked so hard to develop their resilience, growth mindset and independence, and as a result, they have all made such excellent progress.

In the final few weeks of this term, the children have enjoyed looking at 'The Tempest' in English. They have learned how similes can be used to add description and have shown excellent speaking and listening skills when taking part in drama activities involving play scripts. In history, the children have been learning all about theatre and have been able to make comparisons between Greek, Tudor and modern day theatre. In maths, the children have been solving problems involving money and time as well as continue to embed their arithmetic knowledge.

It has been such a pleasure to teach this wonderful year group and we wish them all the best of luck in Year 5. Thank you for your continued support this year and we wish you all a restful, fun and sunshine-filled summer break.



Year 4 Team

Year 5 Updates

We cannot quite believe that we have come to the end of the school year. It has been an absolute delight to teach Year 5 this year, seeing how much progress each and every child has made since September, their levels of resilience both in school and during our period of home learning, and to see how much they have matured as the year has progressed.

We thoroughly enjoyed our Viking day on 1st July. The children's costumes were fantastic and their levels of enthusiasm were fantastic. The children thoroughly enjoyed participating in our online Viking workshop with Poole Museum, whereby we created our own brooches. The children participated in a number of Viking style activities, including recreating Viking battles, rowing on longboats and even got to try mead!

In English, the children have wowed us with their independent writing this half term, creating their own fact file on Tawny Owls. The children went above and beyond to include many of the language features we have learnt this year.

In maths, we have secured our learning on quadrilaterals, 2D and 3D shapes, and enjoyed using nets to create 3D shapes.

We hope you all have a lovely and restful summer and look forward to welcoming you back in September as Year 6. It has been such a pleasure to be yours teachers and we wish you all lots of luck in the future :)



Year 5 Team

Year 6 Updates

As the academic year draws to a close, Year 6 continue to enjoy their final moments of learning at Ocean. It has been a varied half term. Pupils' varied learning experiences have included relationships, growing-up, the circulatory system, the digestive system, Islam, first aid and importantly, discussion and activities around transition.

As a year group, pupils present a mixture of excitement and anticipation when discussing year 7. However, we are acutely aware that what a child is comfortable expressing in class often differs from their true feelings expressed at home. To help your child with transition, be sure to look through their next school's website with them to get them as familiar as possible with staff, the layout of the building and how their school day will be structured.

Our activities week was exciting all round. Children had the opportunity to have some shared, exciting experiences before the end of the year. In school, we have given the children opportunities to work in groups on projects and allowed them to spend more time outside to make the most of the friendships children have formed over the years.

Finally, thank you for your support throughout your child's time at Ocean. It has been a difficult two years for everybody but staff noted your encouragement during the lockdowns and pupil engagement on Google Classroom was good across Year 6. Children performed better than we had hoped in their end of year tests which is a great achievement considering the circumstances. Enjoy the summer and we wish you all the best for Year 7 and beyond!



Year 6 team

First Aid - Year 6 Mini Medics!

Our Year 6s were all trained to be Mini Medics this term and have all gained their certificate to prove that they can use their skills in first aid situations - such a great life skill to have! Many thanks to Steve from 3RG who carried out the training.



CPTA: Children, Parent, Teachers Association



It has been a difficult year for the CPTA but despite the COVID, the small group of CPTA members have worked so hard to hold bingo online events and this year we had our first online virtual summer fair, which raised an incredible. Thank you for your donations and for the following parents who have worked tirelessly on this and the other projects: Mrs Newey, Miss Wisely, Mrs Elton and others who have supported and helped in any way.

Thanks to your very kind and generous support this year, we have managed to raise £1396.50 which is incredible! If you have any other suggestions on how we can raise further events or activities you think would be great to try, please do contact us at oceanpta2018@gmail.com

A big thank you to Mrs Newey (Mother of Oliver) who has helped and led the CPTA success during her time as Chairperson. **Emma Elton will take over as Chairperson from September 2021, with Tara Wisely as Treasurer.** There are a number of roles that need to be filled from September, so please do let us know if you can help.

- **Events Coordinator and deputy**
- **Secretary and deputy**
- Support helping with running stalls, wrapping gifts etc. as needed

The CPTA is a lot of fun and it so rewarding to be a part of a dedicated and committed team.



My name is Emma and I have a daughter in Year 5. I will be the Chair of the CPTA from September. Please do come and join us - we look forward to hearing from you!



My name is Tara and I have two daughters in Year 4 and 5. I will continue to be the Treasurer of the CPTA.

Have a wonderful summer break and thanks again!

Cooking

Year 4 have really enjoyed learning new skills in their cookery class. They have made oat & honey biscuits, falafels & salad and savoury cheese biscuits. The children have been keen to try new flavours and textures.

Well done to them all, we hope they continue to use and improve their skills at home!

Thank you to Mrs Turner and Mrs Warn for these brilliant cookery classes!



PE Timetable September 2021

From September, PE days will be the following:

- Monday: Y3
- Tuesday: Y6
- Wednesday: Y5
- Thursday: Y4

PE kit to be worn all day please and children need to wear the logo coloured PE shirt for Years 3 and 4 and other years if you have one. Black plain shorts, black sweatshirt top, tracksuit bottoms plain and black are required. No branded items please – this is part of our uniform code. Long hair should be tied up and no jewellery or watches.

Bikeability

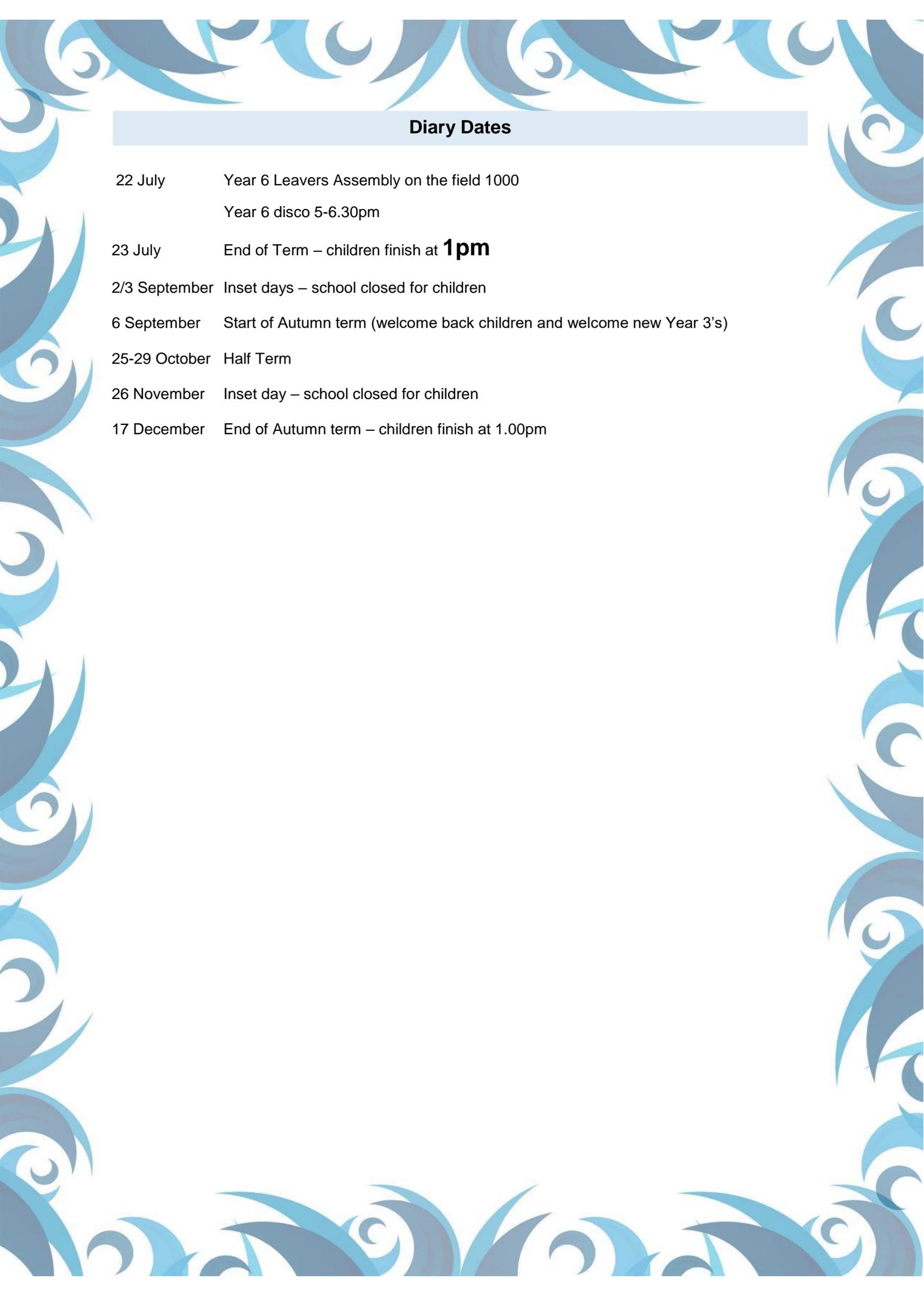
Congratulations to our very first level 3 Bikeability award recipients. Congratulations to Daisy, Lonnie, Lily and Ellie. Look out for more courses in the next academic year!



Bag to school



Thank you to everyone who donated to our Bag to school drop this morning. Your efforts raised £48 – thanks so much! This helps us provide extra funds for the school. We hope to hold this event twice every academic year so watch this space!



Diary Dates

22 July Year 6 Leavers Assembly on the field 1000
Year 6 disco 5-6.30pm

23 July End of Term – children finish at **1pm**

2/3 September Inset days – school closed for children

6 September Start of Autumn term (welcome back children and welcome new Year 3's)

25-29 October Half Term

26 November Inset day – school closed for children

17 December End of Autumn term – children finish at 1.00pm