

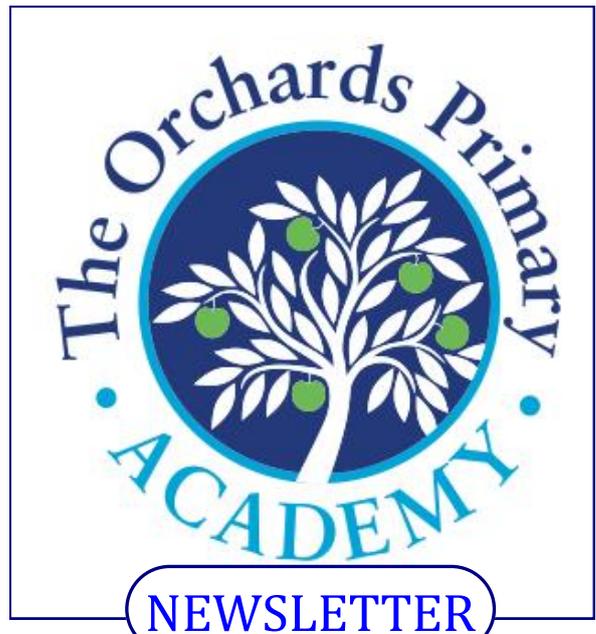
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Diary Dates

Friday 12th April—Break up for Easter. This is also a TEACHER DAY

Monday 29th April—Children back to school

Monday 29th April – KS1 Assessment Period begins
Monday 6th May—Bank Holiday
Monday 13th May – KS2 SATs week
Friday 24th May—Half Term
Monday 3rd June—Back to school
Monday 10th June – Phonics Screening Week Year 1
Friday 14th June—KS1 sports day 9.15am
Friday 14th June—KS2 sports day 2pm
Wednesday 19th June—UWMAT Olympics event
Thursday 20th June—Reception trip to Redditch 360
Monday 1st July—Year 6 GANGS workshop
Wednesday 3rd July—Change over day
Tuesday 16th July—Year 6 rounders and BBQ
Wednesday 17th July—End of Year assembly
Thursday 18th July—Year 6 leavers assembly
Friday 19th July—Children’s last day of the year
Monday 22nd July—TEACHER DAY



Welcome to the latest edition of our
Academy Newsletter.

**April's Value:
Contentment**

Best Class Attendance



Team Point Winners



'To support each and every child to love learning and become the very best that they can be.'

We have finally arrived at the Easter break. It has been a very long and busy Spring term with so many things to celebrate. We have had success with our Year 6 children in the UWMAT Literacy and Maths quizzes where they have come in first place for both subjects! We have had children going out on a range of trips to the University of Wolverhampton, Harry Potter World and the local places of worship. The children have done a huge amount of learning and have made lots of progress as demonstrated in their data for this term. I hope that you will see this reflected in your child's termly report card too.

On top of all of this, we received our Ofsted inspection from Her Majesty's Chief Inspector which confirmed that we continue to be a Good school. The whole school community played a part in securing this judgement; children, parents, staff and governors so I would like to say thank you to all. We have already started working on the development points, one of which was to improve handwriting and presentation across the Academy. You may have noticed that your children are learning a new cursive script as part of this. Weekly handwriting practise will be sent home for children in Reception to Year 3. Please support us with this. We are also starting to look in to our curriculum; it is a really exciting time for the school as developing a rich curriculum for our children is one of the most inspiring things that we get to work on!

Have a wonderful Easter break!

Mrs Carrier

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MATHS QUIZ SUCCESS

You may remember that a few weeks ago our Year 6 children came first in the UWMAT Literacy Quiz last week which involved teams from all of the Primary Academy schools. Last week, another group of children from Year 6 went to take part in the Maths quiz and the bar had been set high from the success of the Literacy quiz. Our children did not disappoint (we never expected them to!) and once again came in first place!! We are so thrilled of the achievements of the children who took part in these events. Congratulations to the following children:

Literacy quiz: Nikita, Regan, Mayli, Emilia

Maths quiz: Lilly H, Emilia, Samson, Philryna

CHARITY WORK

We are incredibly proud of Lilly who is in our Year 6 class. She has decided that she would like to raise money for the Little Princess Trust by cutting her lovely long hair off in to a short bob. The Little Princess Trust provides free real hair wigs to children and young people, up to 24 years, who have lost their own hair through cancer treatment or other conditions. Clearly, this is an incredibly worthwhile cause and a truly amazing thing that Lilly is doing. In order to support Lilly with raising as much money as possible, she will be having her hair chopped off in school on 17th June!

For more information on the charity and the work that they do, visit:

<https://www.littleprincesses.org.uk/>

Lilly will be setting up a Just Giving page in the near future and we will also have a collection box placed in the Reception area for any donations you wish to give.

Well done Lilly, this is a really special thing that you are doing.



All that remains is to wish everyone a lovely Easter break. We will be back on Monday 29th April ready to start the summer term!

We have already started to put lots of important summer term celebrations and events in to the diary—please see the front of this newsletter so that you do not miss anything.