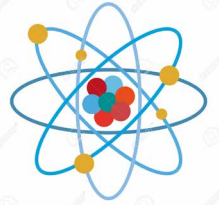


SUPER LEARNING SCIENCE WEEK!



During the week commencing Monday 14th October children in Years 1-6 got their thinking and investigation caps on for a week celebrating all things science! Super Learning Science Week kicked off with an assembly, in which Science Lead Mr Wheeldon spoke to the children about famous scientists from history, before showing them how to make 'elephant toothpaste' by mixing potassium permanganate and hydrogen peroxide!

The children got into character for their week of experiments by coming into school dressed as various people who use science in their job, such as doctors, zoologists and vets. They then spent the week visiting different classes around school to carry out a whole host of exciting experiments, which touched on areas such as engineering, chemistry, physics and even computer coding.

A very big thank you to all of the parents and carers that volunteered to come into class to speak about how they use science in their job. The children loved to hear all the different ways that the skills they have been learning in class can be used when they are grown up!



SUPER LEARNING SCIENCE WEEK

"My favourite thing was doing our class experiment- we made rainbow fizz! We used vinegar, bicarbonate of soda and food colouring."
Jaya 2KK



"I liked it when we did the fingerprints. We put paint on our fingers and pressed it onto paper to show our fingerprints. Detectives use fingerprints because everyone's fingerprints are different. When we were in Mr Farrow's classroom we were learning all about senses- we took away our sight with a blindfold and tried to draw and build things."
Charlie 2KK



"I enjoyed the friction experiment. We had a car and different platforms- one was leather, one was on sandpaper- the car went furthest on the platform made of sandpaper because with other things like the wool and the leather it sunk down a bit into the platform so it couldn't travel as fast. We also experimented to see if putting different weights on the car made it go faster or slower."
Woody 3KB



"I liked it when we had to use a magnet and a coin to drag the coin along a race track. The trick was to keep the coin securely on the magnet by keeping the magnet directly underneath the coin."
Inayah 3KB

"I enjoyed the racing track experiment with the magnets, it was really fun. I learnt that the magnetic force is strong enough to pull through paper."
Luca 4AW



"My favourite experiment was when we were making structures out of marshmallow and pasta, because I like building things. It was interesting to see how so little marshmallow and pasta could make a pretty sturdy structure! We found that the bigger the model, the stronger it was."
Bonita 4AW



SUPER LEARNING SCIENCE WEEK

"I enjoyed all of the experiments, they were really fun! I also really liked the assembly when Mr Wheeldon made elephant toothpaste!" Eva 5CC

"I like the way we got to do lots of different classes and do all different experiments. My favourite was building the marshmallow towers!" Sylvie 5CC

"My favourite experiment was the one we did with Mrs Gibson when we had to try and make the tallest tower using marshmallows and spaghetti, because my team won! The trick was to make it really stable at the base so it didn't fall over as you made it taller." Keira 6WG

"My favourite bit about Science Week was when we were doing ICT and we had to crack the code in the game. One of the games was broken and we had to use coding skills to fix it." Katelynn 6WG

"I liked it when Mr Wheeldon made elephant toothpaste in assembly! I also liked it when we made rainbow fizz out of vinegar and this white sugary looking stuff [bicarbonate of soda] and food colouring- I chose blue, purple, red, orange and yellow! It fizzed when we put the powder on it." Florence 1SR

"I enjoyed doing the fingerprints. We put our finger on some paint then onto the paper. Everybody has different fingerprints. Batman uses his fingerprints to open his cupboard where he keeps his costumes!" Gethin 1SR



CROSS COUNTRY

In September a number of children from Years 4-6 represented Oswald Road Primary School at the Manchester Schools Cross Country event at Chorlton Park. Our children performed amazingly, coming 1st overall in the boys and 2nd overall in the girls leagues. This means we have qualified as a team for the Manchester finals, which will take place at Wythenshawe Park in November. Good luck to all of our outstanding runners!



Y2 MEET ILLUSTRATOR NICK SHARRATT



This term Year 2 were lucky enough to meet illustrator Nick Sharratt at a special event at Chorlton Library. During their visit the children heard how Nick became an illustrator and watched him draw his famous characters. He then gave the children some tips on how to draw characters in his signature style, which they used to draw themselves as vikings from the story 'Vikings in the Supermarket'.

"Meeting and listening to Nick Sharratt was very exciting and inspiring. His drawings amazed us all and we loved listening to him tell some of the stories we know so well." Mrs Savage



"I thought that it was really nice to see Nick Sharratt and it was incredible to meet someone famous like him."

"He was a good drawer and I wanted to be like him."

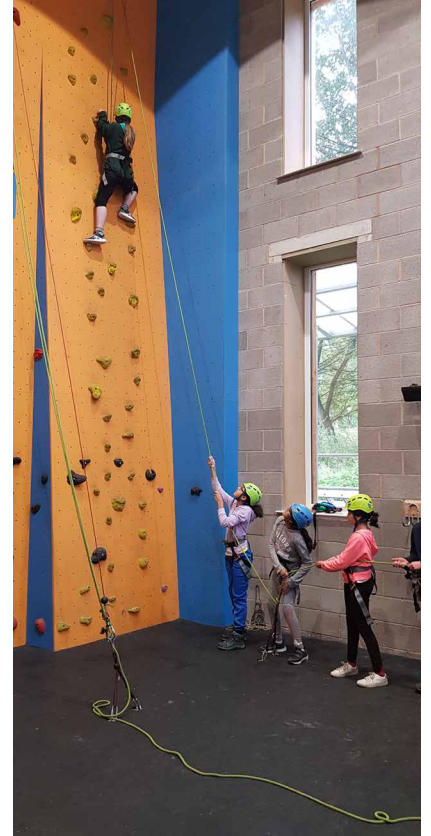
"I liked meeting Nick Sharratt because he read us a story!"

"It was funny when Mrs King had to balance bagels on her head!"



YEAR 6 ROBINWOOD RESIDENTIAL TRIP

Earlier this month Year 6 pupils went on their exciting residential trip to the Robinwood activity centre in North Wales. As part of the three-day trip the children got to do a huge array of exciting and adventurous activities, including the treetop challenge, archery, canoeing and the terrifyingly named 'piranha tank'!



'OKTOBERFEST' CELEBRATION LUNCH

To celebrate the start of a new term and the fact that we have brought our school catering in-house last academic year, we held an 'Oktoberfest' German-market themed lunch on Thursday 3rd October. The celebration lunch consisted of 'Wienerwurst' (sausage and onions in a finger bun) followed by 'Lebkuchen' (gingerbread biscuit). This celebration lunch is now a termly event in the Oswald Road calendar, as a showcase of the fantastic catering we offer in-house.



HARVEST COLLECTION

A huge thanks to all of the families that made a donation towards our Harvest collection. We were overwhelmed by the amount of food items that were brought in (the items shown are just a small selection of the total donations!) Your donations have been taken by Captain Phil from St Clement's Church to the Chorlton & Didsbury Foodbank, which means they will provide much needed help to local families living below the poverty line.



YEAR 1 CHORLTON WALK

Year 1's topic this half term asked the question, 'Is Chorlton a good place to live?', so to help them answer this question the children went on a walk around the local area. The children had a list of local amenities and every time they saw a place on their list they ticked it. They also spoke with the grown-ups accompanying them on their walk about each of the different places and what we can do there. They saw a doctor's surgery, a church, a butchers and many more places!

"I liked looking at all the nature." Jonas 1SR

"I liked when we saw the butchers." Ailsa 1SR

"I like that my mummy came and held my hand." Arielle 1SR

"Our walk around Chorlton was a great way to bring our topic to life and for the children to find out if Chorlton really is a fun place to live! The children were extremely eager to find all the places and really enjoyed their first trip in Year 1." Miss Rice



YEAR 4 EGYPTIAN DAY

Year 4 had an 'Egyptian Day' as part of their topic for this half term, which asked the question, 'What did the Ancient Egyptians do for us?' The children enjoyed various activities to enrich their learning, including dressing up for the day and setting up their very own Egyptian museum. The children displayed their creative homework pieces in their museum, which the Year 3 children came to visit in the classroom.



BIG BIKE RIDE

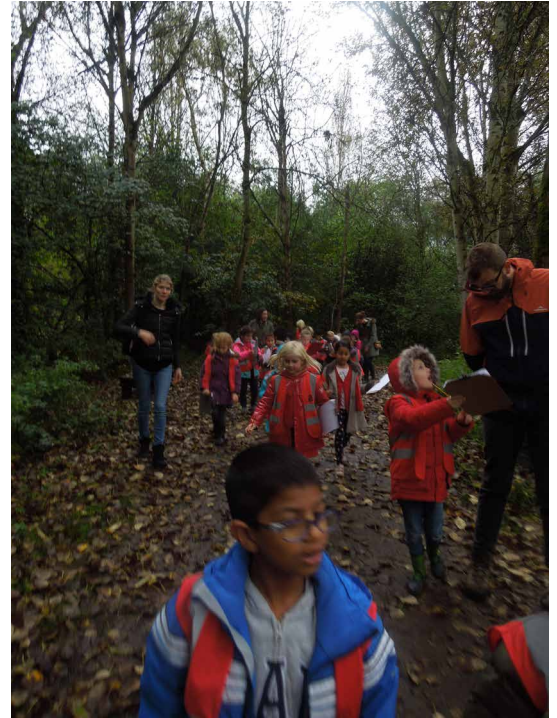
On Friday 18th October the first Oswald Road Big Bike Ride saw families riding to and from school together along a number of popular routes. Experienced cyclists, including our very own Mr Wheeldon and school governor Councillor Eve Holt, led groups on each of the routes.

The organised cycle to school was a great opportunity for novice riders to try riding to school for the first time. Well done to all those that took part and a big thank you to parent Stuart Bowman for organising!



YEAR 2 TRIP TO CHORLTON EES

As enrichment for Year 2's geography topic this half term the children went on a trip to Chorlton Ees. As part of their learning for this topic, Year 2 have been using digimaps to help devise simple maps and keys with symbols. Their trip to Chorlton Ees gave them an opportunity to explore physical and natural features of their local environment in order to plot their own maps and devise keys.



FAB FOOTBALLERS

There have been some fantastic performances from our boys' and girls' football teams this half term. The girls' team have played 9 games in the league, winning six, drawing one and losing just two games. Coach Mr Salisbury said: "The girls played fantastically with some really strong performances!"

The boys' team have played three games in the league, losing to St Johns and St Kents and winning at Our Lady's. Mr Salisbury said: "The boys played really well as a team, we may not have won all of the matches but we performed really well and did Oswald Road proud!"



PTA PAGE

DO YOU HAVE GREEN FINGERS? ARE YOU A GARDENER OR SOMEONE WHO GARDENS? IF SO, WE NEED YOU!

FORS have received money towards perimeter planting in the playground. We want to help clean up the air our children are exposed to in the playground. Can you help? We need guidance as to how best to spend the money, in terms both of which plants/shrubs to buy that absorb fumes well and also that are hardy to withstand the trials of the Manchester climate and being in the vicinity of lots of children having fun in their outside space. Also, can you assist with planting or guiding us where/how to plant what we buy? Please contact us at oswaldptachair@gmail.com or contact us direct on social media. We are aiming to plant during National Tree Week from 25th Nov to 1st Dec. We very much look forward to hearing from you.

GET INVOLVED!

We would love to meet you, whether you are new to the school or have been thinking about getting more involved for a while. Our next PTA meeting will take place at 7.30pm on Monday 4th November 2019, where we will be planning for the Winter Fair on 30th November. Please e-mail oswaldptachair@gmail.com if you are able to come. We hope to see you there! If you cannot make it, please do get in touch - your ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

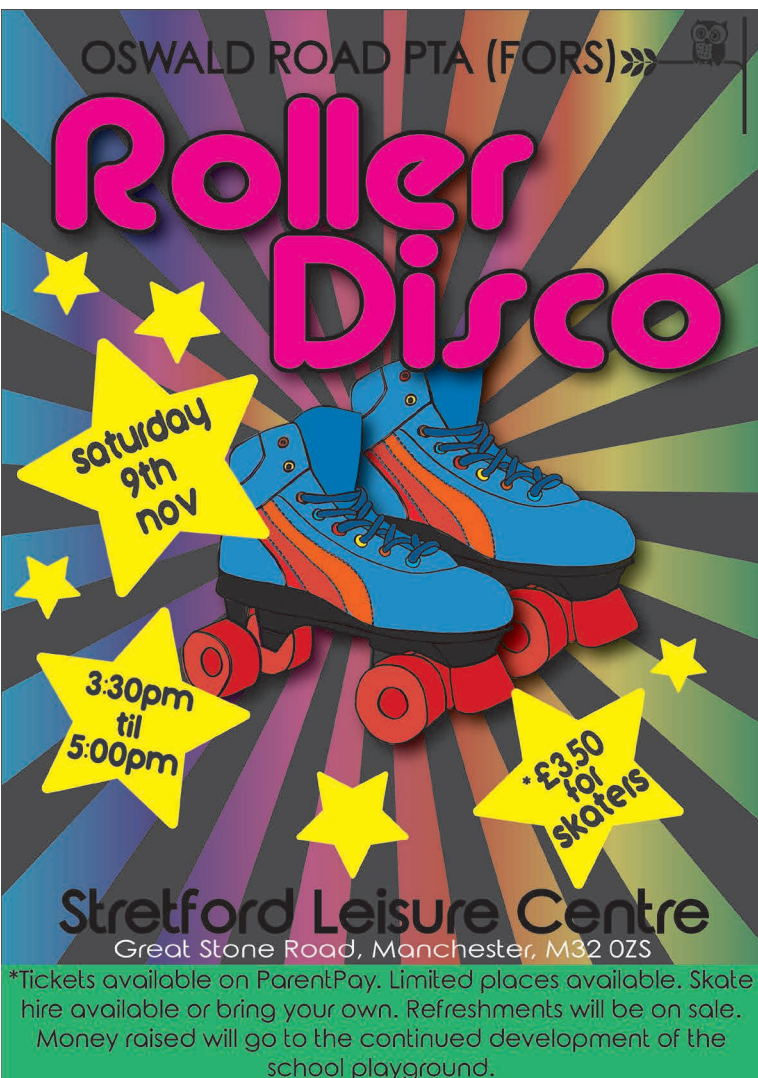


OSWALD ROAD PTA (FORS)
WINTER FAIR

SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2019
 11am - 2pm

BOUNCY CASTLE * CAFE * CRAFTS * GAMES * STALLS
 RAFFLE * GROTTO * FACE PAINTING * BAKE OFF

Details to follow



OSWALD ROAD PTA (FORS)

Roller Disco

saturday 9th nov

3:30pm til 5:00pm

*£350 for skaters

Stretford Leisure Centre
 Great Stone Road, Manchester, M32 0ZS

*Tickets available on ParentPay. Limited places available. Skate hire available or bring your own. Refreshments will be on sale. Money raised will go to the continued development of the school playground.

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