



Ovingham CE First School

Weekly News

17th February 2023

Dates at a Glance

Thurs 2nd March—
World Book Day
Thurs 2nd Mar—Y4
football match v Mick-
ley, 3.30pm
Fri 3rd March – Music
workshops
Tues 7th Mar—Open
the Book
Tues 7th Mar—Y2 Par-
ent Lunch

Clubs:

Karate – Mon 3.10 –
4.10 – open to chil-
dren from Y1-Y4
Y1 Multi-Skills—Wed
3.10—4.10
Y3/Y4 Dance Club—
Fri 3.10-4.10

Weekly Events:

Monday - Guitar
Lessons with
Mr Newbrook
Monday—Y3 Bad-
minton Coaching
Wednesday – PE
with Newcastle Utd
Thursday - Keyboard
Lessons with
Mrs Shevlin

Fundraising

We are very grateful to the generosity of our families for money raised from recent fundraising events:

Number Day (although not an official fundraiser) brought in £25
Wear Red for CHUF raised £85.



Thank you for your support!

Pancake Flip

Yesterday's pancake flip caused much excitement. The class winners were:

Reception – Maggie-Mae with 13 flips
Year 1 – James with 14 flips
Year 2 – Stan with 42 flips
Year 3 – Jared with 34 flips
Year 4 – after an initial draw with Fran-
cesca, after a flip-off the overall winner
was Hazel with 56 flips!

Well done to everyone!



Academy Merger

Please remember there will be a consulta-
tion meeting for the proposed merger
with the Three Rivers Trust on Wednes-

day March 1st at 6pm at PCHS. Feedback
on the proposal would be greatly appreciat-
ed, whether positive or negative, this all
helps both Trusts reach the right decision
for all our communities.

Forest School

At Forest School last week Year 1 made
bird feeders, decorated sticks and rebuilt
“Bugington Palace”, all tasks given to them
by the woodland elves. Their reward was
to finish the day with a campfire, hot choc-
olate and toasted marshmallows – Yum!

Mrs Ward and the elves have further For-
est School events planned across the year.



Y3 Badminton Coaching

Following half-term, a professional coach
will be coming into school on Monday
afternoons to coach Y3 pupils in Badmin-
ton. This was very successful with our Year
3s last year and we are delighted to offer
this again as part of the Year 3 curriculum.

This will culminate in an activity day to be
held at the Tyneside Badminton Centre
sometime in the summer term (date to be
confirmed).

World Book Day

The purpose of World Book Day is to cele-
brate reading!

In a slight change of emphasis on previous
years, our focus will be a creative World
Book Day. We are running a range of
book themed activities during the day,
although children can choose non-uniform

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or come dressed as a book character if they wish, our aim is to ensure that everyone is included. Whilst incomes are being squeezed, we hope that no-one feels they have to go out and purchase a new outfit, but please don't change anything if you already have something or have made plans.

Other activities planned will take place during week beginning 27th Feb: Stories Around the World, Buddy Storytelling, Book Swap and on World Book Day itself— Top Hats and Potatoes. (We are hoping everyone will bring a book to swap during the week).

Please note that we are marking World Book Day on Thursday 2 nd March.

Football Match

We have organised a football match against Mickley First School for Y4 pupils on Thursday 2nd March.

This is not a formal or particularly competitive game, but an opportunity for all children to take part in a game against another team of the same age group but different school. Mr Hudson was really impressed with the skill levels and attitude of both teams last time we played and is looking forward to the next match.

Music Workshops

On Friday 3 rd March, Music Partnership North will be coming into school to hold a series of workshops on Music from Around the World. Each workshop is being specially designed for us and each class will be involved across the morning.

Y2 Parent Lunch

Y2's Parent Lunch will take place on Tuesday 7 th March – watch out for further details!

Ovington Bus

There will be a new contractor for the Ovington Bus route after half-term. This will be Denton Travel Limited (0191 267 8899).

After half term

At the moment we are unaware of any planned strike action affecting school on 28 th February.

We also have a range of activities after half term including a visit from a Paralympian and much more. The main events are indicated in the Diary Dates but please use the calendar on the front of the school website to check dates for future events.

We hope you have a lovely half term break!