

Newsletter



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Friday 11th June 2021



A huge thank you to everyone who wore blue or dressed up as a sea creature on Tuesday for World Oceans Day. We managed to raise a massive **£158.86** for our adopted charity—The Marine Conservation Society.

Well done for all your amazing **#100orMoore** challenges! See inside for more pictures!



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THANKS FOR REMEMBERING
THIS IS A



PEANUT/NUT FREE
SCHOOL

We currently have two children who have serious nut allergies. Please remember that we don't allow any nuts or nut products in school. **This includes Nutella.** Thank you for helping us to keep St Peter's School a safe place.



Some of our amazing sea creature costumes for World Oceans Day

Don't forget next week is 'Walk to school week'!

We realise that not everyone can walk every day, but even if you can only do it a couple of times, that would be brilliant! Or if you don't live close by, can you drive most of the way and then walk the rest?

Oak Class are leading the way on promoting this. Here are some fantastic posters that they've done.



Please note:

If you'd like anything put into the newsletter, I need it by Friday, **1pm at the latest.** Thank you





Important Notices



COMPETITION TIME!

Staying on the theme of oceans, we are having a competition to either draw or paint the best picture of the sea. It could be a picture of the shoreline, below the sea, a sea creature, anything really, as long as it's to do with the sea. We are hoping to put



the winning creations onto cards to do some more fundraising for the Marine Conservation Society later in the year. The closing date will be in a few weeks, so there's a bit more time to plan your pictures!

Pleas for items!

Oak Class are doing an art and DT project to tie in with their topic and need some extra resources.

They would like the following:-

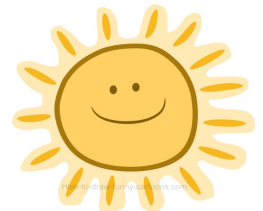
Cereal boxes, Pringle cans, egg boxes and any other small card boxes. Could we please have these by the end of Friday 25th June so they can be in quarantine for 72 hours before use.

Apple Tree are looking for spare guttering brackets and a tarpaulin to use in their outdoor area.

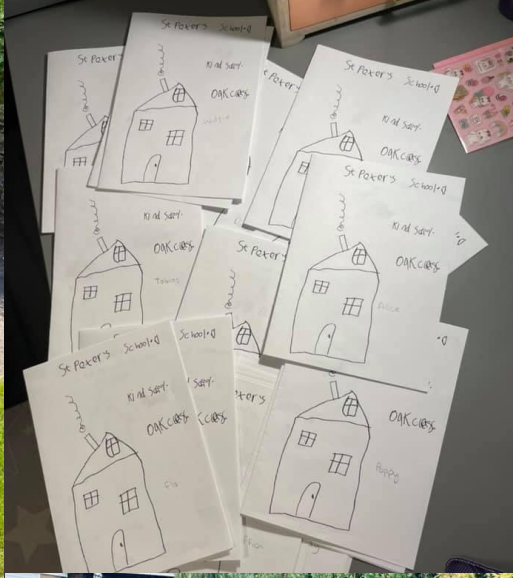
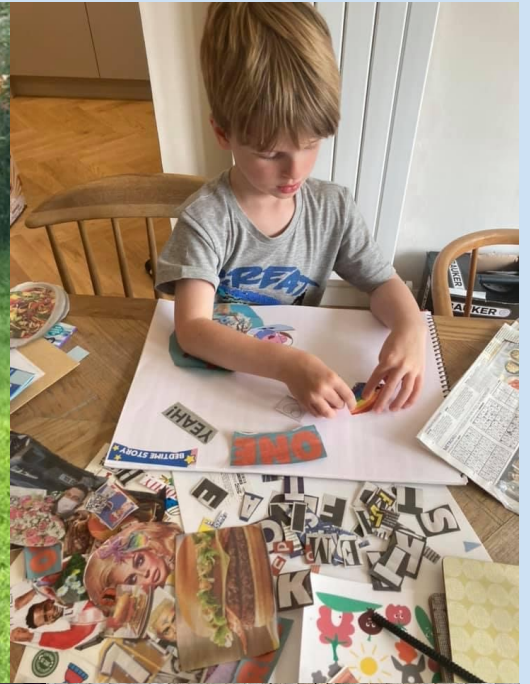
If you have any items to donate, please leave with Emily in the office.

Sun hats & sun cream

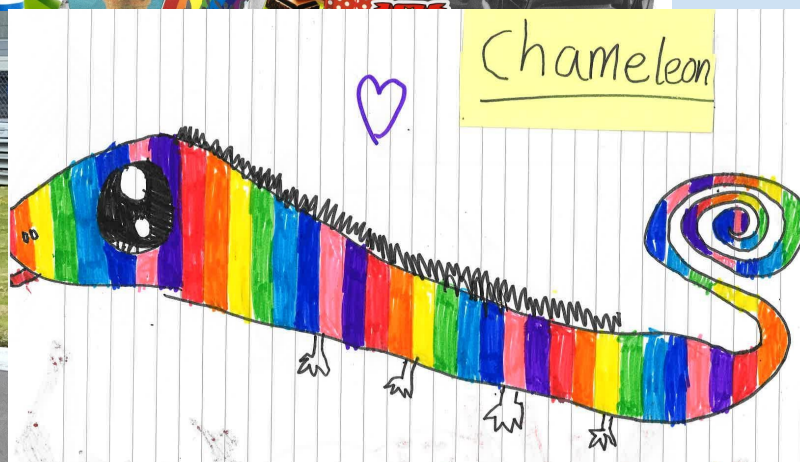
Now the sunshine seems to have finally arrived, could you please ensure that your child has a named sun hat in school.



If you want your child to have suncream on, please could you apply it in the morning before school, preferably with '8-hour' or 'all day' suncream. If it will need to be re-applied while at school, please bring in named suncream that they will be able to put on themselves (under supervision for the younger ones!) at lunchtime.



#100orMoore challenge



SPSA 100orMoore challenge

We have extended the end date for the challenges until Monday 14th June 2021.

We are currently looking at a **whopping £800 so far!!**

Let's set the challenge to reach £1000 by Monday (which really would be £100 or Moore!) Don't forget to bring your forms in on Monday.

(There is a spare form at the end of the newsletter)

Link for online payments- <https://www.givey.com/spsa100ormoorechallenge2021>

School uniform

We have had a lot of school uniform go missing over the last term. We know it is really tricky having to rely on your children more than usual to keep track of their belongings. Could you all please check at home and in PE kits for uniform that doesn't belong to your child?



For there to be a much better chance of child's clothing being returned to you, PLEASE remember to name them!



Important Information



Dear Pupils and Parents,

We are pleased to announce that the Excel Tennis Academy will once again be running our holiday courses through the summer holidays across all our venues. Places will again be limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

We will be running courses in Witney, Standlake and Kingston Bagpuize for children aged 4 - 16 yrs old.

All our courses are taught by experienced and qualified tennis coaches, we are Ofsted registered and we can accept childcare vouchers as well.

Please visit our website for more information and to book on the courses:

<https://www.exceltennisacademy.co.uk/summer-holiday-booking>

If you have any questions please let us know and we would be very happy to help.

We look forward to seeing you on court soon.

(Please see the booking form at the end of the newsletter!)



Sports Week

As we are still maintaining Covid restrictions and need to plan for sports day differently once again this year, classes will be doing the afternoon events of sports day in their own classes and on different days. Unfortunately, parents will not be able to attend, so if you do see the children at the playing fields or outside at school, please do not congregate to watch.

Please make sure your child has their sports kit for all of week beginning 21st June.

This includes trainers and a **coloured T-shirt** of your child's house group:






Buzzards: Blue

Kestrels: Green

Red Kites: Red

Sparrowhawks: Yellow

If your child has an award below, you will be sent a link next week to join in with our virtual celebration assembly:

Class	Special Award Term Focus - <u>Compassion</u>	Star Award
	Beau Jameson	Isla Griffiths Peter Woolley
	Ffion Jones	Frankie Hutton Layla Black
	Oliver Rees	Isla Edwards Jack Armitage
	Tara Dey	Dimitrije Milivojevic Joseph Baxter
	Sasha Forostovskaya	



A Message From Mr Jeffries



Dear Parents/Carers,

It seems like a distant memory but I hope you all had a good half term and enjoyed the pleasant weather!

Over half term, many of the children were busy with their 100 challenges. It has been great to hear what a huge effort some of the children had been putting in. From baking 100 cakes to planting 100 sunflower seeds in cans to a multitude of different sporting exercises and feats to picking up 100 pieces of litter, the creativity, thought and effort that has gone into this says so much about the children. We are very proud.

This week we raised awareness of plastic and pollution through World Ocean Day. The school was a sea of blue and there were some wonderful ocean based costumes which we all enjoyed – thank you for your support and help in making these. I discussed with the children how plastic and rubbish in general ends up in the ocean and was pleasantly surprised by how knowledgeable and committed to action the children already are. Each child made a promise of one thing they can personally do to help improve ocean health. Suggestions included using refillable bottles for water instead of single use plastic, reusing and recycling throw-away items at home so items don't need to be thrown out in the first place and using fabric shopping bags instead of plastic.

Next week is walk to school week which is being organised by Mrs Houghton and Oak class. You will see various posters around the school which the children have made to promote this. We know families live varying distances away and have work commitments that you need to get to but any support you can give this by parking further away if you do need to come by car and walking a little further will be fantastic for the children. I am committing to walking to work from Woodstock one day next week – you will know which morning it is by my extra invigorated look that day!

We now have over 100 followers on Instagram for our 'Minds that Learn' project – thank you for getting behind this and spreading the word.

Warmest wishes,

Jon Jeffries

We have had quite a few children recently who have told us about watching films on YouTube and playing video games which aren't age appropriate. This includes some films which are certificate 18!

Please either supervise your child while they are using the internet, or limit their account so that they can only access things that are appropriate to them.

Remember—there are some pretty horrible things available on YouTube!

Hello from The Wildlife Trusts!



#30DaysWild

Welcome to 30 Days Wild! We want to share our passion for the natural world with everyone, which is why we set this wonderful challenge every June. The Wildlife Trusts is a movement of 46 charities working tirelessly to protect, restore and create new homes for wildlife, bringing nature back to where you live and work in the UK, Alderney and Isle of Man. We're working towards the ambitious goal of protecting and connecting 30% of land and seas for nature by 2030, but we couldn't do it without the generous support of our 850,000 members and 38,000 amazing volunteers. We'd love you to join us!



Protecting rare UK species

Across the UK, The Wildlife Trusts work to protect rare species: from beavers and red squirrels, to dwindling pollinators such as butterflies and bees. We work across our own 2,300 nature reserves, but also with partners, from farmers to fishermen to house builders, for nature's recovery.



wildlifetrusts.org/saving-species

Our work with people

We think the natural world is our wellbeing - and that everyone should get the opportunity to experience the joy of wildlife in their own lives. That's why we give people of all ages and backgrounds the chance to learn about our wonderfully wild world, making them healthier and happier in the meantime.



wildlifetrusts.org/closer-to-nature

Let nature help beat climate change!

Protecting and restoring wildlife and wild places is essential for us to combat the nature and climate emergency. We are working hard to make sure our peatlands, saltmarshes and woodlands are healthier, so that they lock up carbon and provide other benefits such as clean water. All of us can help play a part in nature's recovery by calling on our politicians to restore our natural landscapes and thinking carefully about some of the decisions we make as consumers, such as buying peat-free compost in the garden centre.



wildlifetrusts.org/climate-emergency

Protecting our seas

Our oceans are in trouble... unsustainable development, the way we fish, and pollution are putting a huge burden on the big blue. However, The Wildlife Trusts are campaigning for better protection, leading surveys and citizen science projects on the coast and under the sea, and inspiring people with the wonder of our underwater wildlife.



wildlifetrusts.org/marine-protected-areas

Where will you discover next?

We care for over 2,300 nature reserves, creating havens not just for wildlife but for people too. Whether you're exploring with little ones, stealing yourself up for a challenging walk, or searching for something out of the ordinary, the diversity of our nature reserves means we can help you find somewhere that's special.



wildlifetrusts.org/nature-reserves

There's always something wild going on

All our lives are better when they're a bit wild - and your local Wildlife Trust is here to help with that! From bat walks to online talks, there are hundreds of organised events every year up and down the country, helping people experience, learn about and enjoy wildlife.



wildlifetrusts.org/events

Plan your next adventure





#30DaysWild

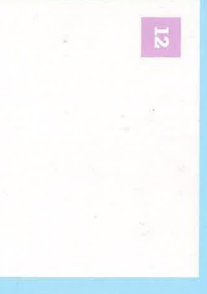
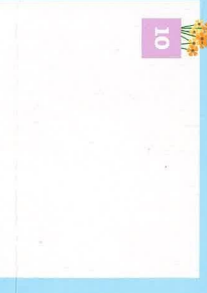
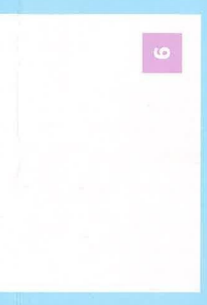
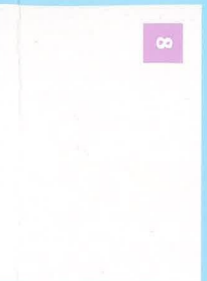
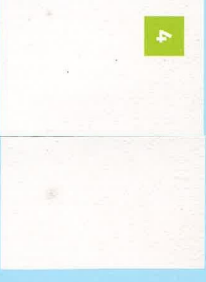
All our lives are better when they're a bit wild

What Random Acts of Wildness will you try this 30 Days Wild? Note what you did and how it made you feel.

Share your daily Random Acts of Wildness photos and wild places using #30DaysWild

Make up your own wild activities or be inspired by our Random Acts of Wildness at wildlifetrusts.org/30DaysWild

1 **Big Wild Breakfast**
wildlifetrusts.org/big-wild-breakfast



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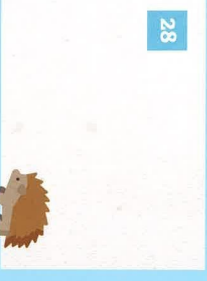
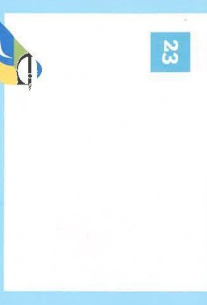


18 **30 Days Wild LIVE**

19 **Big Wild Camp-out**

20 **Big Wild Quiz**
wildlifetrusts.org/big-wild-weekend

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Stay wild with your Wildlife Trust

Feeling inspired? Find out more about your Wildlife Trust and how you can continue to act for wildlife wildlifetrusts.org/get-involved



Summer WATER SAFETY

When Summer hits it can be tempting to look for the nearest place to cool off.
Here are our top tips if you plan on going for a paddle:



**LOOK OUT
FOR LIFEGUARDS**



**IT'S COLDER
THAN IT LOOKS**



**DON'T GO
TOO FAR**



**IT'S STRONGER
THAN IT LOOKS**



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us for...

THE Gin Festival

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Friday 11th June

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Sunday 13th June
with 10 different gins to try and
try a gin!

Don't forget '30 days of random acts of wildness' with the
Wildlife Trusts is ongoing. There's a calendar at the end of
the newsletter to help you, or visit

<https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/> #30daywild





10 % Holiday Course Discount Voucher

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- 🎯 Ages 4 - 16
- 🎯 Low Coach - Pupil Ratio
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As your Primary School is part of the 'Excel Tennis Academy Schools Partnership' We would love to offer you a 10% discount on any of our holiday courses



Using the voucher

- 1) Use code 'school' if paying online using a debit card
- 2) Fill out the voucher and send it to Excel Tennis Academy, 19 Bryony Gardens, Carterton, Oxfordshire, OX18 1JN.

All the information on the holiday courses can be found on our website
For more information you can also contact us using the details below.

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