



Orchard Community Primary School Newsletter

3rd March
2017

Plans for Age-Range Change

We now have full planning permission for our new building and work on the new classrooms will begin in May. The classrooms will be built on the grass at the back of the hall and will extend onto the KS2 playground. There will also be some work done to the front of school to extend the car park. The existing KS2 playground will be extended onto the field area to replace the space lost. The new buildings will be modular buildings and will erected very quickly once the ground work has been completed. We are trying to ensure that the whole school will benefit from the new building work and the changes to layout. There is a huge amount of work to do to make sure everything is ready for September. New staff will be appointed shortly and new resources are coming into school every day. We will shortly be arranging an evening meeting for Parents of children in Years 4 and 5 for after the Easter holidays so that we can outline our plans and answer any questions you may have.

We know that there will be a lot of contractors on site for the build, but we are using a very experienced company and there are very lengthy Health and Safety plans prepared for the whole school. This will ensure that everyone is safe and disruption is kept to a minimum.

Rotary Club Competition.

Well done to all our children who performed brilliantly at the Rotary event at the college on Wednesday. We had 40 children attend with the choir, clarinet or both. The choir won the shield which we keep for a year and has pride of place in the trophy cabinet.

OPS Radio

We have had an exciting guest this week Molly Renshaw, World championship swimmer you can listen to the interview live through the school website.

<http://www.myliveschool.org>

Search for Orchard School.

Don't forget - you can find us on Fronter, the school VLE.

<https://fronter.com/leicestershire/>

We are also on Twitter, follow us @_OPSRADIO

Contact us via email: -

opsradio@yahoo.co.uk

We are always looking for interesting guests, if you know someone or have any suggestions, why not email us their contact information!



Advanced Notice

E-Safety Meeting for Parents

Monday 27th March 2017 at 6pm

Tuesday 28th March 2017 at 9.am

Rotary Club Music Evening 4th March 7pm.

Children attending the above event at the Methodist church to arrive at 6.55pm wearing school uniform

Ladies Night

Once again we will be hosting our very successful Ladies' Evening on 6th April 2017. The idea of the evening is a pamper evening for ladies. The entrance will cost £5 this will include a glass of Prosecco and a raffle ticket. If you would like to hire a stall for the evening the cost will be £10 and a raffle prize (please contact the office.) Please publish the event among your friends and work colleagues – it will be a super evening.

Advance Notice of Use of School as a Polling Station

There will be County Council Elections held on Thursday 4th May. We are hoping to arrange to take Year 5 out of school for the day - possibly repeating the very popular Cycling in the Peak District event we have run for the last few years. **The school will remain open.**

World Book Day

Thank you to all the parents and children who supported World Book Day. We've had some wonderful costumes and characters. Don't forget to spend your £1.00 book token at your local bookstore between 27th February and 26th March.

Dates for your Diary

Easter Holidays will begin on Monday 10th April and children will return to school on Monday 24th April.

Inset Day – Friday 26th May-school closed to pupils

Next Autumn School begins for the children on Thursday 24th August 2017

Letters out this week.

Year 5 Hockey competition on 30.03.17

Year 3 / 4 Hockey competition on 23.03.17

Team points

**The winning team this week is
Rockingham
Well done.**