

At Oasis Aspinal we...

# Aspire, Aim high, Achieve



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## Welcome!

### Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your fantastic support this year, the children have been a real credit to you. It has been lovely to be able to have trips and get back to some normality after two COVID years!

The children are now experts using their iPads in lessons. Please make sure they look after them over the Summer. All chargers, plus iPad's and cases have to be collected back in before the children leave us in Year 6. Information will be sent out about what to do if you have any problems with the iPads over the Summer before we finish. If you move school your iPad must be returned to school. Mr Foster or I can be contacted via Dojo if any iPads need returning.

Year 6 have enjoyed their Prom and have their leavers performance on Monday morning. We wish them all the best at high school and hope they come back and visit us in the future. We would love to hear how they are getting on!

We have recruited a Community Support Worker, Robyn Harrington who will be creating links within the community and she will be looking to run some parent classes next year too.

Our Family Support Worker, Clancey Chronnell who is funded by School Home Support is working in school on Mondays and Tuesdays. If you need any support from Clancey please click the link to the website to find out more about the work School Home Support do:

<https://www.schoolhomesupport.org.uk/how-we-help/children-and-families/information-for-families/>

**A reminder in September school will start at 8.45am for years Nursery-Year 5. This is when lessons start. Year 6 lessons start at 8.30am.**

And finally please see the table for each class' attendance this half term. Thank you for your continued support on this.

A reminder we have also updated our school website ([www.oasisacademyaspinal.org](http://www.oasisacademyaspinal.org)). Please make sure you check MCAS as all letters will be attached to the app again this year rather than sent out.

**Have a lovely summer break and we will welcome children into their new classes on Monday 5th September.**

### Miss Sweeting

## This half terms attendance

Nursery	87.44%
Reception	93.58%
Year 1	92.12%
Year 2	94.74%
Year 3	94.64%
Year 4	94.29%
Year 5	94.56%
Year 6	94.04%
Whole School	93.87%



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# Early Years Foundation stage

**Another year over!!!**

How quickly this year has passed – it doesn't seem 5 minutes since your little ones were starting their gradual admission with us and now they are all grown up the Reception children are ready for Year 1 and our Nursery will become our Reception children.

We have had a very busy half term – completing topics and assessments – we are delighted with the FANTASTIC progress each child has made – Well Done!

All the staff and children would like to wish Mrs Currie a very happy retirement – she has worked in the Early Years with us for many years and we are certainly going to miss her x

**Thank You for all your support once again this year – there will be a meeting in the first weeks of the new term to share information about Year 1 expectations and routines**

**Have a lovely Summer Holiday!!**

**Miss Bailey, Mrs O'Brien and Mrs Currie**

The children have enjoyed our topic of 'People Who Help Us' where we have learned all about the emergency services, health professionals and others in the community.

We all enjoyed the fun and games at the Teddy Bears Picnic.

Thank you to the Reception parents for attending the 'Graduation Assembly' - I'm sure that you were so proud of the children.



# Year 1

Well, we just can't believe that's the end of the school year! What a fantastic year we have had. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of our wonderful class. They have worked their socks off and have learned so much (as you saw in our Showasis this week!). We hope you enjoyed sports day last week. We were so proud of all of the children, they tried so hard and displayed great sportsmanship and team work skills.

## English

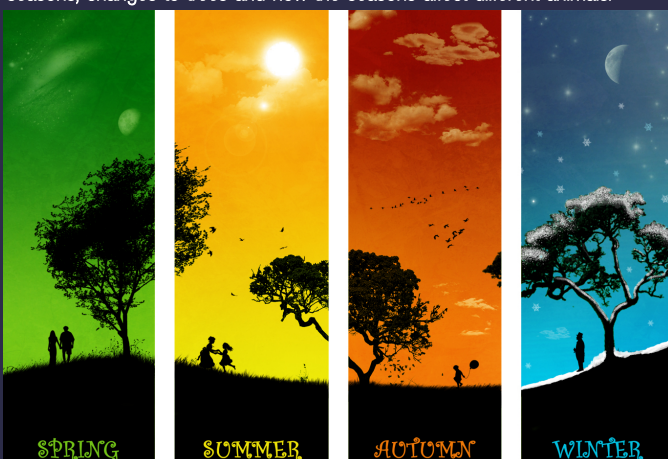
In English we have studied a lovely book 'On Sudden Hill' and the children have planned and written their own innovated stories based on it.

## Maths

In Maths, we have focused on place value, building two-digit numbers, comparing and ordering two digit numbers and finding 1 more/less than numbers to 100. We have also learned about Money, recognising coins and notes and learning the value of them.

## Science

Our Science topic this half term has been 'Seasonal changes'. We have learned about the four seasons of the year, plants that grow in different seasons, changes to trees and how the seasons affect different animals.



## History/Geography

In History we have had an introduction to the Tudor period. We have learned about and re-enacted The Battle Of Bosworth, learned about The Tudor Rose and basic facts about Tudor style houses, music and clothing.

In Geography we have undertaken fieldwork on our school grounds. We have looked at different playground zones and considered how the different spaces are used and collected data based on our preferences of these areas.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support this year. We hope you all have a fantastic summer and Miss Cairns will see you all on Monday 5th September as her very grown-up Year 2 class!  
Mrs McDonald, Mrs Cragg and Miss Stringer



# Year 2

**What a super half term we have had in Year 2, the Year 2 staff are incredibly proud of each of the Year 2 pupils and all that they have achieved this academic year. The pupils have immersed themselves in their learning and have truly been a pleasure to teach and work with. They have shown resilience, reflection, care and consideration of their learning and fellow peers and have welcomed the new pupils to the team with welcome arms and warm smiles.**

**In Maths we have explored telling the time to an hour, half the hour, quarter past and quarter to and telling the time to five minutes. We have also spent time discussing finding durations of time and hours and days. We then further explored mass, capacity and temperature and the key vocabulary. Whilst in English we have enjoyed discussing Leaf the polar bear and making links to our Geography and Science work along the way. The pupils have written some outstanding narratives about their chosen character and are looking forward to sharing them with you all at home. Pupils have also been involved in completing comprehension tasks and using their VIPERS skills to tackle tricky reading questions.**

**In Science the pupils have spent time discussing living, non-living things and things that have never lived and have explored different habitats and microhabitats. The pupils have observed systematic ways to approach answering Scientific questions and have become brilliant problem solvers. Whilst in Geography the pupils have completed a field trip study on our Aspal grounds to explore which areas of our school grounds have enough plants that encourage wildlife. In History the pupils have engaged with learning about the Tudors and the Tudor Monarchy.**

**In addition to the above we have explored Tudor music, artwork and dances and have linked our learning across all subjects, whilst also investigating drama and building confidence and resilience in our PSHE sessions. The Year 2 team have also really enjoyed exploring new tastes and textures during our Design and Technology unit examining delicious Indian food. Year 2 also had a fantastic time on their school trip to George Street Chapel and recalled lots of amazing facts about the Victorians from previous terms.**

**It has been a real pleasure to teach Year 2 this year and the Year 2 team are so impressed with the determination and achievements of the Year 2 pupils. We are certain that all pupils will continue to work hard and accomplish many excellent things on their learning journey in Year 3 and beyond. Thank you to all pupils and grown-ups for your continued support and feedback. We hope that you all have a lovely summer!**

**Miss Buckley, Miss Cairns and Miss Morrison**

# Year 3

The end of the year is here and what a year we've had. I am so proud of how hard all the children have worked all year, particularly this half term. They have given 100% effort right up until the end of a very busy half term.

In June, we set off on an adventure to the Sea Life Manchester. The children were well behaved and represented the school perfectly. We all enjoyed exploring life under water.

Preparations for the greatest show on earth began mid-June. The children thought carefully about the best bits of the year and what they wanted to share with you. We could have spent hours showing all we have learnt this year but managed to narrow it down and it was a pleasure to have you join us for the 'Year 3 Showasis'.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support this year. I am looking forward to doing it all again next year

Miss Clayton & Mrs Robinson



# Year 4

And just like that, another year finished.

What an amazing year it has been for all the class! At some point or another, everyone has shown perseverance and determination. The

progress that has been made throughout the year has been astonishing and pure delight to watch! I will really miss having such a kind, bubbly class who always show enthusiasm in everything they do.

No surprises as this half term has been another wonderful one! We have gone on a school trip to Blackpool Zoo; completed our own fieldwork; planned and delivered our Showasis and worked incredibly hard in all subjects.

Thank you to everyone for all the support you have shown and given this year. I feel very lucky to have such a wonderful class for my last at Oasis Academy Aspinal.

I wish everyone the best,

Miss Dale and Miss Sweeting



# Year 5

As this year draws to a close, I feel sad to say that our time is coming to an end but also I feel extremely proud of how far the children have come since September and of how much they have achieved this year!

This half term we have had so much to enjoy under our theme- SHOWASIS!

We have been continuing with our brass lessons and have been getting some key pieces together to show to you; we have been learning to perform a street dance in PE; and we have been learning in DT how to research, design and make a food product which meets a design brief.

The children's writing has gone from strength to strength and this half term they have really shown their capabilities! We have been reading Journey to Jo'Burg and have learnt about the Apartheid in Africa and how it impacted lives day-to-day. In their writing the children have continued to develop their descriptive writing- adding some of the most beautiful and poetic language choices I have ever read.

In maths, we have focussed in this last half term on geometry. The children have recently recapped acute, obtuse and right angles. Then we have moved onto learning how to use a protractor to measure and even draw our own accurate angles.

In History this half term we have embarked on another fantastic topic around The Tudors! We learnt about how Henry Tudor came to the throne after the Battle of Bosworth and then about the monarchy that followed him. We even managed to make a model of the Mary Rose- Henry VIII favourite ship! Our Roman numeral knowledge came in handy with the King's names and knowing which Henry was which!

Our trip to Gulliver's World was a huge success and the children really enjoyed themselves. It was brilliant to see so many of them challenging themselves and overcoming fears and worries to be brave and have fun!

Thank you for all of your continued support and encouragement this year! I hope that you have a restful summer and the children come back refreshed ready for their final year of primary school!  
Where does the time go?

Thank you again and all the best,

Miss Hughes and Miss Turner.



# YEAR 6

## WE

Firstly, a big well done to all the children for their hard work and commitment this year. I have no doubt that they will all continue to make incredible achievements throughout their journey in secondary school.

During our English lessons, we have studied and researched famous people who are important to each of us. The children used this information to write a biography based on their person of choice. It was wonderful to read all the interesting facts the children included in their biographies.

In maths, the children have continued to develop their skills in ratio. We have been using ratio to investigate how to alter a recipe to serve a class of 30.

Our theme this half term has been Showasis! The children have been preparing for their leavers' assembly: learning their lines, creating props, and putting their acting skills into action.

In other areas of the curriculum, we have been investigating light in science. The children have carried out scientific investigations into the effects of refraction and how our eyes work.

Once again, well done for all your hard work this year, Year 6 – you will be truly missed.

Miss Webster and Miss Myatt

# WILL MISS YOU





# Community MATTERS

## Parent Workshops

We are pleased to welcome Robyn Harrington onto the staff team. She is our new Community Support Worker and will be running a range of parent workshops in the Autumn Term, as well as reviewing our After School Clubs and further developing our Community Hub provision.

Well done to Years 2 and 3 who have had the most GOLD attendance certificates this year. We hope they enjoy their treat this afternoon.

Thank you to all the parents and carers that attended our end of year assemblies and have supported school events over the last year!  
We look forward to even more next year.

Jubilee Jamboree  
Many thanks to the parents who attended our Jubilee Jamboree with their families. Despite the dreadful weather, everyone enjoyed the stalls on offer and helped to raise over £900. We have purchased a reading shed that is already in position in the Key Stage 2 playground. Thanks again for making this possible.

## Gorton Fire Service

This week we were visited by the Gorton Fire Brigade. They were in school to talk to Years 5 and 6 about keeping Safe in the Summer. They learned about the dangers of outdoor swimming, and water safety in general, as well as staying well away from dangerous areas like building sites and railways. Please have a word with your children to reinforce these important messages so that we can all stay safe in the holidays.