

## News from Oakridge CP School



### The Village Primary School

Last week, Dolphin Class welcomed the year 6 class from the Village Primary School for the day. This was a fantastic opportunity for them to meet children from another community (one of our pledges) and they embraced it. It was lovely to see the children making friends and sharing some fantastic learning opportunities.



The children worked together to build shelters and to learn how to use a flint and steel.

### Thank You!

A huge thank you to Carol, John and Joanne at Greylands Farm who downed tools for the morning and shared their wealth of knowledge with the children.

Thank you also to Judith and Janet at the Old School who hosted groups of children throughout the morning and made us feel very welcome.





The opportunity to get up close to the lambs was a huge highlight for the children.

### Speak Out Stay Safe



The NSPCC's Speak Out. Stay Safe. Programme aims to help children understand abuse in all its forms and to recognise the signs of abuse in a child friendly way. Children are taught to speak out if they are worried, either to a trusted adult or to Childline.

Over the last week, all children in KS1 and KS2 have watched an age-appropriate online assembly. The *Speak out. Stay safe.* messages are delivered in a fun and interactive way with the help of their mascot Buddy as well as special guest appearances from Ant and Dec.

A specially trained NSPCC volunteer will be coming to school on the 7<sup>th</sup> February to carry out a workshop with year 5 and 6 children.



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### **KS1 Gymnastics**

A group of five children from Explorer Class had a wonderful time at Eskdale School taking part in a carousel of activities.



The secondary school sports leaders were very impressed with our group's listening skills.



### **Seahorse Class**

They didn't manage to find much, but Seahorse Class had a great time searching for mini-beasts as part of their seasonal changes topic in Science.





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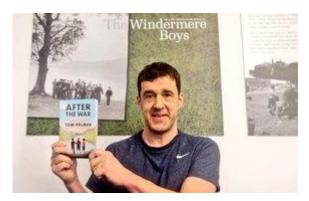
### **French Lessons**



From next Wednesday, Dolphin Class will have the privilege of specialist French teacher Mme Cordingley.

### **Holocaust Memorial Day**

Today is Holocaust Memorial Day. Our Year 5 and 6 children are joining author Tom Palmer and holocaust survivor Mala Tribich for a live webinar this afternoon.



The event will steer clear of detailed descriptions of harrowing events and focus on positive stories of survivors.

### **After-school Clubs**

Tuesday -Tuesday club

Spagnificent Club (Year 6 only) Wednesday –

Thursday -Sports club with Mr Russell

Gardening Club with Mr Everson

Friday -Maths on Toast Breakfast club (Y6

only)

Our aim is for every child from Y1-6 to take part in a competitive sporting event this year.

**Sporting Events** 

We have lots of upcoming sporting events booked in for the term. Details will be sent out nearer the time for each individual event. Please bear in mind that some events only allow us to take a certain number of children so your child may not take part in every event.

Wednesday 1st February – Y3/4 gymnastics comp.

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – Y3/4 hockey v. Seton

Thursday 23rd February – Whole School cycling

Friday 24th February – Y3/4 hockey @Caedmon

Wednesday 1st March - Y5/6 football @Seton

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March – Y3/4 hockey tournament

Tuesday 14th March – Y5/6 football tournament

Wednesday 15th March - KS2 Cross Country race

### **Dates for the Diary**

Tuesday 7th February - Y5/6 NSPCC workshop

Friday 10th February - Last day of the half-term

Monday 20th February - Back to school

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – World Book Day

Friday 17th March – Nursery 30 hours Coffee Afternoon

Friday 24th March – Staff training day – School closed

Friday 31st March – Last day of the Spring term

### Celebration!

Come and join us this afternoon at 2.50pm to celebrate the children's wonderful achievements over the past two weeks.

Stars of the Week: Blake, Isabelle, Ben and Bella.

Special Awards: Mateo, Eddie, Oscar and Tommy.

Mr Russell's BfL award: Harry.