

Friday 6th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredible week of stories and smiles! We were thrilled to host author Kate Thompson at Oatlands for a day dedicated to the magic of books. From an engaging assembly about her life as a writer to creative workshops where Year 2 became authors themselves!

Beyond the workshops and book signings, our 'Masked Reader' competition was a massive hit, with children listening intently to staff reading books in disguise. We are so grateful to everyone who helped organise such a fantastic World Book Day celebration!

We have also enjoyed our Reception 'Characteristics of Effective Learning' workshops this week. Children loved having the opportunity to work alongside their parents to think about when they had been a Proud Peacock, Go-for-it Gorilla or Persevering Parrot. Thank you so much to everyone who managed to attend.

Year 1 had absolutely wonderful weather for their Forest School days this week. The children enjoyed making flowers, seed bombs and superhero face masks using flowers and leaves. As always, alongside more structured activities there was also the opportunity to enjoy being outside, use the mud kitchen, swings and sit around the camp fire. Thank you to all of the adults who helped us make the days so much fun.

We hope that everyone attending the PTA Quiz night tomorrow has a great evening being super competitive, whilst raising funds for our wonderful school. Have a great weekend.
Tanya Mooney

Key Dates in the Next 2 Weeks

Saturday 7 th March	PTA Quiz night
Friday 13 th March	Leopard Class family assembly
Friday 13 th March	Year 2-Cleves mini Olympics

Reception Forest School

Wednesday 18 th March	Ladybird Class
Thursday 19 th March	Butterfly Class
Friday 20 th March	Bumblebee Class

You can also see a full list of key dates for the year so far, on the Term Dates & Calendar pages of the school website [HERE](https://www.oatlands.surrey.sch.uk/parents-information/terms-dates-and-calendar/)
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Mindworks-Free online Sleep Workshop

Surrey County Council are running a free online sleep workshop on Thursday 19th March 8pm-10pm. For more information and to sign up please click here:

[Help your Child to Develop Positive Bedtime Routines Workshop \(Online\) - Surrey County Council](#)

Parent Consultations

The Spring Term parent consultations will be taking place in school on:

Tuesday 17th March – 5.00-7.30 pm

Wednesday 25th March – 3.30-6.00 pm

A creche will be available on both evenings.

You MUST log into Arbor: <https://oatlands-surrey.uk.arbor.sc/> to book your own consultation. Self-booking opens at **4pm on Friday 6th March** and closes at **10 pm on Sunday 15th March**.

Unfortunately, Arbor only allows us to schedule one time-slot per child. Should you require an additional time-slot (if parents are separated and cannot attend together for example), please book one slot and contact the school office to arrange the additional meeting. If you have any problems accessing Arbor or have forgotten your login details, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing in the school or community, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL). DSL- Tanya Mooney, Head Teacher. DSL- Phil Copsey, Deputy Head Teacher or DSL-Kelly Grindle, Nurture Lead.

Updates to the Website

7 Year PE Curriculum plan [HERE](#)