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NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS & CARERS EASTER 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the Easter holidays I would like to share some additional information with you and photos of some of the many activities that have taken place during the last couple of weeks. Our children have continued to be amazing and this has included showing great focus and concentration this week when carrying out some end of term assessments. Over Easter, we will look closely at these assessments and this will help us to plan our curriculum for the Summer term and any additional support or intervention needed.

Many thanks for your support and flexibility with Parents Evenings this week. We hope you found these useful and we look forward to being able to meet you in person again for these at some point in the future.

After the Easter holidays, school will no longer close early on a Friday afternoon and all parents/carers should collect children at the usual end of day time.

I would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful Easter and we look forward to seeing children return on Monday 12th April.

Best Wishes, Mrs Lavelle



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Contact During the Easter Holidays As already mentioned in a previous letter, the School Office will be open on Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th March if you need to get in touch. Please contact us by telephone on these days or via email info@oustonprimary.org.uk up until 1st April if you need to inform us of a child's positive Covid case as a result of symptoms that start up to Sunday 28th March.

Forest School, Pirate Days and an Ice Cream Van Visit! The weather has been kind to us and classes have enjoyed some lovely outdoor activities in the sunshine, including: creating bug hotels and shelters during their Forest School afternoons; treasure hunts and 'walking the plank' during a Year 1 Pirates day and sitting outside to chat and enjoy an ice lolly or ice-cream in the sunshine! Year 4 have also enjoyed an orienteering challenge and we have had as many PE lessons as possible outdoors. As you know, the emotional well-being of our children is so important as we settle them back into school life and as you can see from the selection of photos below they have really enjoyed this range of activities being back with their classmates.



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School Uniform After the holidays can parents/carers please ensure that children are wearing the correct school uniform now that we have settled back into school life. This includes black skirts or trousers (no leggings please), black school shoes, skirts if worn to be an appropriate length and no earrings or other jewellery. PE lessons will continue to be a longer lesson once a week and PE kit to be worn on this day.

Easter Holiday Activities – Please see the message below from Durham County Council

Whether it's finding fun things for the kids to do, paying for extra childcare, or even just all that extra food they seem to eat, the school holidays can be a struggle for many families. Covid-19 has meant that many people's incomes have been reduced and children and young people are keen to get out and spend time with their friends.

This Easter we have launched our Fun and Food programme, providing fun activities with healthy snacks and meals for children and young people. Activities are provided by range of partners including schools, voluntary and community sector groups, sport and leisure services and our Family Centres.

For information on Fun and Food activities during the Easter holidays check out www.durham.gov.uk/FunAndFood

Activities are being added every day so please keep checking our webpage.

Decorated Egg Class Winners! As usual, we have been so impressed by the creativity of our children with their decorated eggs. Here are the winners from each class who received an Easter Egg prize this morning.



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Max -Nursery



Emelia S - Reception



Fraizer - Year 1



Amelia - Year 2



Jacob - Year 3



Ollie - Year 4



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Scarlett -Year 5



Leila - Year 6



Bradley- Year 6

House Team Winners Our Green Team are the Spring Term winners with a total of 182 Star Awards - Well done everyone! They will have a non-uniform day on Friday 23rd April



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