The Oakleaf Weekly Newsletter

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WEEK COMMENCING: 22/02/2021 (Menu Week 1)

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Dear Parents/Carers

This newsletter finds us at the end of a very challenging half term and I would just like to take a moment to reflect on the work of our whole school community. Whether your child has been at school or at home, teachers, parents and carers have all done their very best to support the children and there is nothing more we could have asked of anyone. Thank you to you all.

Please remember that it is an INSET day tomorrow (Friday 12 February) and so there will be no on-site or remote education for the children provided, as the staff are participating in their statutory safeguarding training. School and remote education resumes on Monday 22 February.

I do hope you manage to have a rest over the half term break.

With very best wishes

Catherine Forrester
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 1 children in school: We will be taking part in some Forest Schools learning so please remember to bring in your wellies and a waterproof coat **EVERY FRIDAY.**

Friday 12th February	♦ **INSET DAY** - ***school is closed to all pupils***
Monday 15th - Friday 19th February - Half Term Holiday (school closed)	
Monday 22nd February	♦ Pupils with an allocated place return to school ♦ 4D/Ms Ahmed's Bubble/Year 5/Year 6 - wear your PE kit to school on **Mondays**
Tuesday 23rd February	♦ Year 1/Year 5 - wear your PE kit to school on **Tuesdays**
Wednesday 24th February	♦ Reception/Year 6 - wear your PE kit to school on **Wednesdays**
Thursday 25th February	♦ Year 2/Year 3/Ms Ahmed's Bubble - wear your PE kit to school on **Thursdays**
Friday 26th February	♦ Year 3/4D - wear your PE kit to school on **Fridays** ♦ Year 1 children in school - remember your wellies and a waterproof coat

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CONGRATULATIONS to all of our Pride Award winners for the Autumn Term 2020

NAME	CLASS	NAME	CLASS
SAMUEL H INDYANA R	Squirrels	POPPY F JUDE G	4W
MILLIE S SAMUEL C	Badgers	CHARLIE A WILLIAM S	4A
ISLA-MAY R NOAH J	Rabbits	GEORGE B GRACIE K	4D
ARIANA M JACOB F	1H	LILY O OLIVIA D	5T
RIO M ISLA J	1C	IZABELLA W JOSHUA S	5FB
MOLLIE G TEDDY K	1H	ISABEL U JACK D	5AB
ALEX E GRACE C	2H	NATASHA W JAMES D	6E
MOLLY K STANLEY H	2Q	AMILIE C THOMAS C	6JK
LILLY-JANE E MAY N	2R	SAMUEL B KAYLEIGH H	6M
ADELAIDE T SUMMER C	3F		
CHARLIE E BELLA-ROSE M	3P		
JOSHUA P TEDDY G	3C		

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HALF TERM
'100 CHALLENGE'

We are celebrating the life and achievements of the wonderful
Sir Captain Tom Moore
and invite you to take part in the '100 Challenge'
in his memory…

Join in for fun during half term, completing anything 100 times in honour of Sir Captain Tom and be sure to share it with us.

Luke in 2R has produced an amazing mural in honour of Sir Captain Tom and the NHS using 100 handprints!

Mason and Jaxon (2R and 1J) collected 140 pieces of rubbish between themselves, well over the 100 challenge we set!

We cannot wait to see and share your contributions to the '100 Challenge'
GOOD LUCK!

Dear Parents/Carers,
As we continue for the moment with the majority of children learning remotely at home, we the PTA and the school are very aware that they are missing out of the social aspect of school life.
With this in mind we have arranged for a **virtual party** to be held via Zoom for each year group as follows:

Monday 1st March
4pm Nursery
5pm Year 1
6pm Year 3
7pm Year 5

Tuesday 2nd March
4pm Reception
5pm Year 2
6pm Year 4
7pm Year 6

The parties will last approximately 30-45 minutes. Further joining instructions will follow after half term.
Best regards
The PTA

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Talking Therapies is a free NHS service here to support the residents of Berkshire aged 17+ who may be struggling with difficulties including: low mood, anxiety and stress at this unprecedented time. We are currently offering a 4 week Stress Less course which you can access via the comfort of your own home. Please see attached leaflet for more information. If you would like to book onto the next available course please click on this link.

To find out more about the services offered by Talking Therapies please visit our website.

ART COMPETITION 2021

'Signs of Spring'

This term, we will be running a whole school photography competition on the theme 'signs of spring'. It is your job to get outside, notice & photograph what you see. It could be bulbs bursting, local wildlife or beautiful landscapes. Be creative—think about camera angles, lighting etc.

Winners:

There will be a prize for the best photograph in each phase: EYFS/KS1/LKS2/UKS2 and your work will be published for the school community to see & enjoy!

Maximum of 3 entries per child.

Please submit your entry/entries to spring@meadowvaleprimary.com with the subject clearly stating your name & class by 26th March 2021.

Good Luck Everybody!

FREE VIRTUAL LIBRARY EVENTS (READ, TALK, SHARE) FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS (Bracknell Forest Libraries)

Read, Talk, Share events are for people of all ages.
For children, we offer regular Wednesday Bounce & Rhyme sessions and virtual story times, for them to develop a life-long love of stories and reading.
For adults, we have book groups discussions and author events.

There is something for everyone and the best part is: **all activities are free!**
Check out our events page to book your place: CLICK HERE

Story times coming up include:
Children's author Clare Bevan
Children's author Anne Parsons
The Gruffalo
Guess How Much I Love You?

There is also a link on our school website > News & Events

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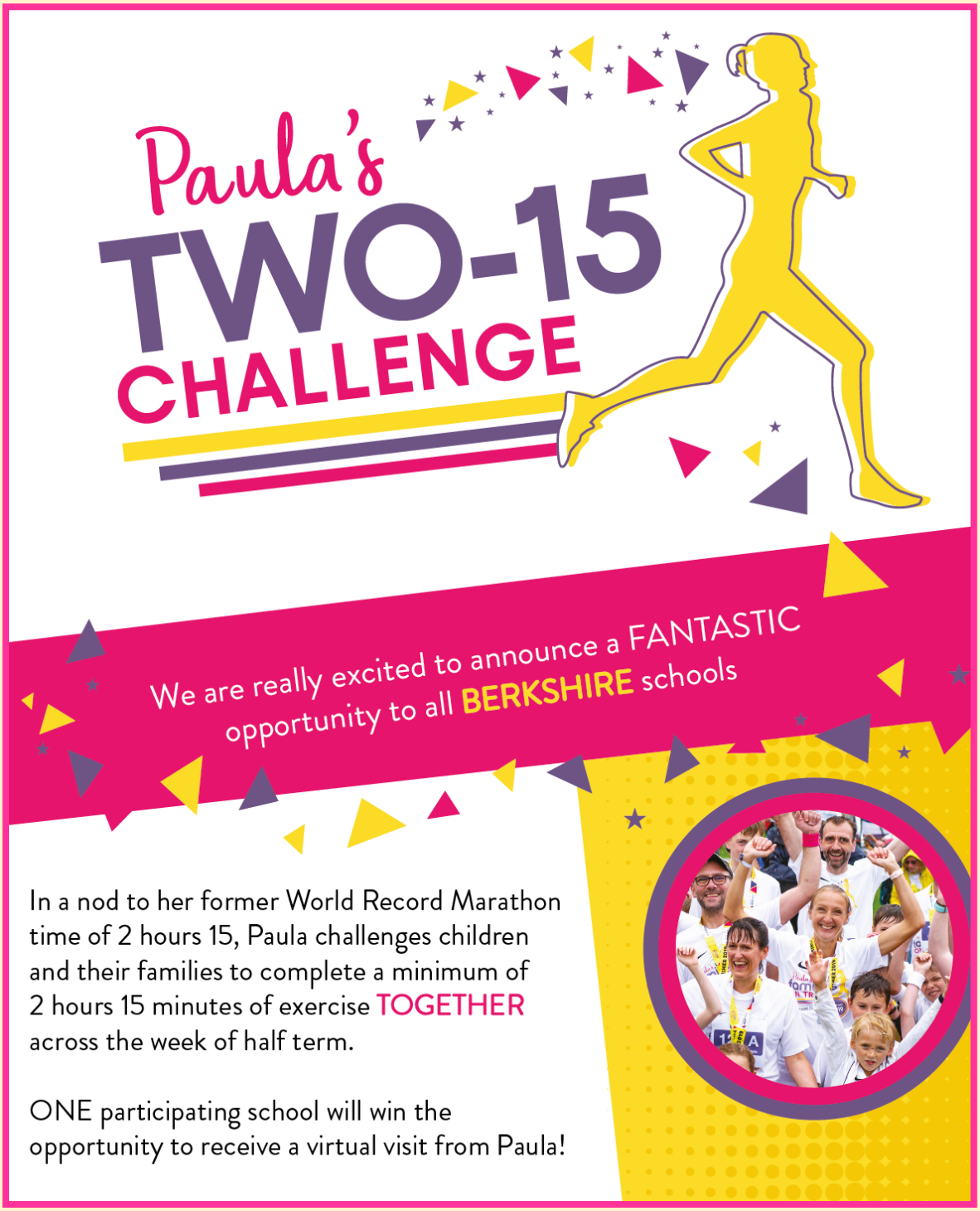
In a nod to her former World Record Marathon time of 2 hours 15 (25 secs) Paula Radcliffe is challenging children and their families to complete a **MINIMUM** of 2 hours 15 minutes of exercise **TOGETHER** across the week of half term. It would be fantastic to have as many MV families taking part as possible (a visit from Paula is on the cards for the winning school!). If you are able to participate, please let your class teacher know, after half term, how many pupils and how many family members were able to take part (this can be via their PE lesson on Teams for that week). Good luck!

You can celebrate your achievements on social media using **#TWO15challenge @BerkshireGames @familiesontrac1**.