

Phase 1 InfoZine

Oasis academy
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Monday 30th January 2012

Celebration

A big thank you to all Phases1 families. This week we did our regular uniform check and all children were in the correct uniform. Well done Mums, Dads, Carers and children. It is so wonderful to see all our children looking so smart!

Diary Dates

- **Last day of the half term** – Friday 10th February 2012
- **Start of the new half term** – Monday 20th February 2012 at 9am
- **Book Week** – Monday 5th – Friday 9th March 2012
- **Character Dress up day in conjunction with book week-** Friday 9th March 2012

Curriculum

Foundation Stage

This week the Reception children have been learning how two sounds put together can make **a completely new sound!** They have learnt about 'ch', 'sh', 'th' and 'ng'. 'Look out for the mini sound cards on a sheet in your children's book bag this week!

The children have also been learning to add using our new maths scheme: Maths Makes Sense. The children have learnt how to read 'number stories' and physically 'act out' the story using paper cups as counters. Ask your child to show you the actions for 'add' and 'equals'!

The wet weather has provided many opportunities for outside play and exploration including building bridges and rafts over puddles with the large blocks, and investigation into where the rain comes from. The children are getting lots of practise at changing into their 'wet weather' clothes at the moment!



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Year 1

Year one are continuing to enjoy our topic, 'Once Upon a Time'. We had a surprise a couple of weeks ago when we found one of Cinderella's shoes in our classroom. The children produced some 'wanted posters and came up with excellent suggestions as to how it could have got there. Hopefully by the next 'Infozine' we may have found the owner.

In maths we are starting to add hundreds and thousands. The children continue to amaze us with their ability to tackle tricky calculations. A parent recently commented that he needed to go back to school to keep up with his son!

Finally huge thank you to Jahia in Emerald Class last weekend Jahia had a clear out at home and decided to donate some of his books to the class book corner. We are so grateful and the children are really enjoying the new books. We would be thrilled to receive any more donations from similar clear outs.



Notes and Reminders

- Please remember not to park in the entrance gate to the Phase 1 area. It is dangerous to all families. Take the healthy option, park a little further away and enjoy the walk into the Academy each morning and evening with your child.
- There are a few Christmas Nativity DVDs left. They are priced at £1.50 and can be purchased in the family room each morning.
- Water bottles are still for sale to year 1 children. They cost £2.50.
- If your child comes to the Academy on a bike or scooter please ensure they get off it when entering the Phase 1 area. Hopefully we will avoid any accidents then!
- If your child is late arriving for the Academy day or if you have to collect them early please come to the student reception. This is a door adjacent to the Phase 1 gate.
- A BIG thank you to our families who read with their child each evening. Reading is such an important and enjoyable skill. The teachers in Phase 1 value every minute you spend reading with your child.

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Latest Information on the new Oasis Academy Nursery

We are pleased to announce our Academy nursery will open in January 2013 when we move to South Street. The nursery will have 60 places and will offer children a three hour session each day (either morning or afternoon). If you are interested in applying for a place in the nursery or you know a family who would be interested please tell them. All the information about nursery applications are available from the Academy main office or on our website at <http://www.oasisacademyhadley.org/years-r-6/nursery/>



Community Information

On **Thursday 12th January 2012** we had our first general meeting in this meeting we elected the officers and committee members we decide on the maximum number for the committee to be 12 to help start up our Parent and Friends Association (PFA).

These are the results:

PFA Chair	Daboikiabo Davies
PFA Secretary	Samantha Webb,
PFA Treasurer	Sherrise Francis
Committee members:	Kolawole Ajose, Bill Webb, Toni Cleveland, Emma Short, Esther Rowe

We currently have 3 vacancies for Committee members if you are interested in joining the committee please let me know by email or in person.

I have also set up a website on PTA-UK we will be using this site to keep everyone updated on all the information regarding the PFA. If you have an email address could you email me on the address below so I can set up your email account on the site, don't worry if you haven't this is the website you can access this at any time. www.pta.org.uk

PFA Co-ordinator – Deborah Reid

*For further information on all community incentives and events
please see Deborah Reid (Community Outreach / Senior Parent Support Advisor)
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For further information for these and any other events please visit our website at
www.oasisacademyhadley.org