



# OPANG NEWSLETTER



@OPA\_Newstead Friday 4th March

It has been another fantastic period of learning here at Outwood Primary Academy Newstead Green. The children have returned from February half term and hit the ground running as they begin their new units of work! From American Food in Y6 to Weather in Y1, there is going to be a range of fantastic work completed over the coming weeks! Keep your eye on the School twitter account (@OPA\_Newstead) for updates throughout the term.

## School Parliament

School parliament have been writing a letter to the local council to seek support with the parking outside of school. They are concerned that some of the parking witnessed poses a risk to pupil safety. (Please refrain from parking on the yellow markings)



## School Mental Health & Wellbeing Survey

A huge thank you to all parents/carers who have completed the survey recently distributed via text and email. For anyone who hasn't completed it, please use the following link (<http://tinyurl.com/2p9cy2cc>) to do so. It is greatly appreciated.

Also, please remember that the Mental Wellbeing button below and on our Academy website takes you to our wellbeing section which is packed full of useful resources

 Mental Wellbeing

## Parents Evening

Our Parent Evening Consultation slots are now available to book. Please see the letter on the website, for further details

## World Book Day

This week has seen us celebrate World Book Day 2022. As part of the day, the children completed many reading related activities. They started the day with Mr Fozzard's Catchphrase-inspired WBD Gameshow where they answered reading questions, used inference and their knowledge of authors, illustrators and books to work out the hidden book covers (<https://tinyurl.com/WBD2022OPANG>).

During the assembly, there was a costume showcase where each child was able to stand up so everyone could see their costume: there was a range of outstanding outfits on show!

During English lessons, the children completed their OPA Anthology entries in the hope that they'll be chosen to represent their class and have the honour of being in the printed OPA Anthology 2022. The writers of the selected entries will receive a copy and the academy will also receive a copy to be displayed.

At lunchtime, the children were served up with an amazing reading-themed menu. The HufflePuff Pastry Pie and Quidditch Quiche went down a treat!

To conclude the World Book Day festivities, classes partnered up to become Reading Buddies with the older children reliving their youth and reading forgotten classics to our younger pupils!

Every child in school received a World Book Day Voucher which can be spent at the following local retailers: [Books On The Lane](#) (Walton), [The Book Vault](#) (Barnsley), Tesco, Waterstones, WH Smith

On the back of World Book Day, we are hoping to relaunch our Book Donation Point with the aim of every child owning a book. Please can we ask for any book donations be brought into school by the end of next week (11th March), this will give the opportunity for our Reading Ambassadors to sort into age categories before allowing children to take home and own a book.