

The Apple Press Orchard Manor School Updates and Communications



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It was one of those March days when the sun shines hot and the wind blows cold: when it is summer in the light, and winter in the shade. Charles Dickens

Hello Everyone!

With Easter this weekend, we come to the end of another fabulous term already and not even the weather has managed to dampen our achievements! Of course we are still riding high (Oh yes! We really are!) on our Ofsted grading of Good with Outstanding behaviour — which really means that our team here have been recognised for their outstanding efforts in making a real difference to the lives of the children who come here.



If you have been following our social media pages, you will see that we have had some great results from our PE teams - we are very proud of our children who have entered dance competitions, gymnastics, table cricket, football and everything else. What is so good about these activities is that our children get the chance to meet other students, play and compete with them and really experience what it is like to be part of a team and work with others together. Sometimes this can be difficult for some of our students, but everyone

overcomes their anxieties and comes out winners. We are very proud of everyone who competes and they are fantastic ambassadors for our school.

Talking about competition, every half term Justin, our Maths lead, gives out Mathematician of this Half Term certificates following recommendations of the teachers. This half term we have an amazing 15 recipients - Elijah T, Tom T, Ellie B, Sam J, Ashton S, Leo B, Jacob D, Harry G, Jacob P, Casper L, Hayden H, Lucas D, Owen E, Daisie B and Harvey C. Well done to all of you! A magnificent achievement! Keep up the good work!

Our World Book Day was a both a great success—fabulous costumes and some great entries for our English competition. We have posted the winning stories up on Facebook. Our Red Nose Day raised £117.74 which we will be sending off to the charity and this month has seen funding come through for us to enable the installation of some new playground equipment.





The end of the term has seen our littlest children putting on a fantastic Springtime Celebration which was really enjoyed by the parents and the staff who came to watch. I don't think there was anyone who could resist smiling at the beautiful singing and dancing. Thank you to Flo who made this happen, with the help of all the fabulous staff who got involved, helped with the dressing up and looking after the children. The children looked like they loved it too!

Good luck to those of our students who took exams over the past few weeks, and best of luck to the students here and further afield who are starting their "serious revision" over the holidays for the important exams this summer. Remember—you can only do your best!

Right, I think that's it! All that's left to say is have a great Easter break everyone, don't eat too much chocolate and remember to take time to rest and recharge. **We will see you back in school on the 15th of April 2024 at 09:10am.** *Nicola Jones, Headteacher*