

# Great Oaks Weekly

## Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018



Final rehearsals have been taking place this week for our 2018 Rock Challenge Entry. We have over 70 students taking part in the annual event at the Guildhall on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February.

Our theme this year is about the importance of a good night's sleep and what happens if you play computer games or watch scary things late at night. Good luck to all involved.

To go along with this we have been looking in Assemblies as a whole school on the importance of sleep and how you can help yourself to get to sleep.



## 100 years of Women's Suffrage

It is 100 years this week since some women were given the vote. To celebrate this and help pupils think through the implications we ran an experiment.

Staff and pupils were able to vote in Assembly on Thursday for an end of half-term treat - but only boys and men were allowed to vote. We explored how this made us feel and discussed why it was unfair and then repeated the poll allowing everyone a vote.

PS - The treat that was the most popular amongst boys, girls, men and women was hot chocolate at break time, so this was duly delivered to all on Friday.



## Dates

### coming up

Half-term  
12-16<sup>th</sup> February

Rock Challenge  
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February

INSET Day  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March  
(replacing 19<sup>th</sup>  
February)

Parents Coffee Morning  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March  
Stranger Danger with  
PC Bob Stafford

## Road Closure

For the next four weeks Bassett Avenue will be closed inbound from the Chilworth Roundabout to the Winchester Road Roundabout.

Please allow extra time for your journeys and when dropping off or picking up.

Due to this closure and due to Rock Challenge

**WE WILL NOT BE RUNNING AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS ON THE FIRST WEEK BACK AFTER HALF-TERM.**

All being well they will restart on Monday 26<sup>th</sup>

## Silver Arts Award



Casey Overend and Emily Cotton, 11LP, have used their art skills and creativity to complete a personal challenge for their Silver Arts Award. Casey taught himself how to cross-stitch and sewed a logo from 'The Flash', and Emily used her photography skills to make a large collage of a rabbit. Both artworks can be seen on display outside the art room.



## Yes we can



We are still looking for clean and empty tin cans (with no sharp edges) for our STEM week after the holidays. All shapes and sizes gratefully received.

Also if you have any children's clothes that no longer fit - particularly joggers - we would welcome them in school as we are running out of spare clothes - many thanks.

## If you go down to the quad today.....

..... you're in for a big surprise. Beneath the trees where nobody sees there are no teddy bears and the weeds have gone as well! The Vocational Studies own Groundforce team led by Kye Sharpes, Jack Milford, Alfie D H and Liam Whitfield have cleared rubbish and weeds, re-assembled the collapsed trellis and transformed the whole of the Quad area. Who needs Alan Titmarsh and Co! It also appears we have some new faces.....



## Autism Friendly Chill Out Sessions at Woolston Library

Sessions run from 11am-1pm on the following Saturdays:

February 3rd 2018

March 3rd 2018

April 7th 2018

May 5th 2018

June 2nd 2018

July 7th 2018

