

NEWS

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UPCOMING EVENTS

14 February

Doughnut Sale

27th & 28th February

Little Recyclers Clothing
Collection

6th March

Pre-loved Children's Book Sale

7th March

Mr Stopps' Chocolate Factory

Can you help?

We need lots of help to organise and run our events – and are always looking for new volunteers to join our amazing team. If you can help (even if only for an hour or so occasionally) please get in touch.

Please email friends@olopprimary.co.uk or chat to us at school.



Friends of OLOP

We've had a busy January planning our events for the Spring term – and the rest of the school year.

We're looking forward to some new events and are always looking for new volunteers to get involved; the more help we have, the more we can do. Please get in touch if you would to find out more about how you can help.

Mr Stopps' Chocolate Factory



To celebrate World Book Day this year, Mr Stopps will be opening his secret Chocolate Factory so that everyone has the chance to try his delicious 'Stoppsdiddlyumptious' Bars – and maybe win a Golden Ticket prize!

There are lots of amazing prizes to be won, including tickets to Wellington Country Park and Odds Farm, vouchers to spend at Smyths Toys, Bluetooth speakers and toys and in-school treats such as extra break-time for the class, a hot-chocolate party with Mr Stopps and lots more.

The chocolate bars will cost £2.50 each and be available to purchase through Parentpay from 7th February until 9am on 27th February. The children will be able to pick up their Stoppsdiddlyumptious Bars and see if they find a Golden Ticket after school on 7th March – please see separate email communications for full details.

Preloved Children's Books Needed

Our other World Book Day event will be our popular Preloved Book Sale which will be held from 3.15pm on Thursday 6th March.

We would be grateful for donations of your unwanted children's books - which can be dropped off at the school office.

The bargain books will be sold for 50p or £1 - so everyone can pick up something new to read for World Book Day.



Little Recyclers

Our next clothing recycling collection will be at drop-off time on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th February. These collections get bigger every time we hold them – which is great as we are paid by weight collected.

They're a chance to teach the children the importance of re-use and recycling – and an opportunity to declutter and clear out your cupboards over the half-term break!

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

The success of the previous year's fundraising has meant that we are able to regularly fund resources requested by school. Since the beginning of 2025 we have been able to provide:

- **£3000** towards the cost of 31 iPads to be used by all year groups
- **£430** to pay for dictionaries and thesauruses for years 5 & 6
- **£250** for PSHE resources for Children's Mental Health Week. We have paid for an olive tree for each year group which will be a focus for mindfulness activities throughout the year.

JOIN US AT OUR NEXT MEETING

**Friday 14th March at
2.00pm**

A Sweet Start to Half-Term...

Our first doughnut sale of the year will be on Friday 14th February at pick-up time. Doughnuts will be priced at 50p each and we'll also have some other sweet treats available.

If you are able to help us sell the doughnuts from 3:00-3:45pm please get in touch as we could do with a few more pairs of hands if possible!



Save The Date....

Please make sure the following dates are in your diary and look out for more information coming soon...

27th and 28th March – Mothers and Special Others Gift Shop

10th May – Colour Run

28th June – OLOPFEST

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