

ORLEANS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 24th April

Dear Families,

Our love of reading and concern for the environment came together on Wednesday with Earth Day and the author Lucy Noguera and her informative and entertaining books. The children had superb ideas and insightful observations both in Miss King's assembly and during their workshop. Hearing about how authors research their material and use their personal life for inspiration was useful knowledge for the children.

This Friday, we celebrated World Heritage Day at Orleans and it was a fabulous sight! The variety of costumes and outfits reflect our incredible diverse community. Watching children discuss their outfits and heritage was indeed the best part of the day.

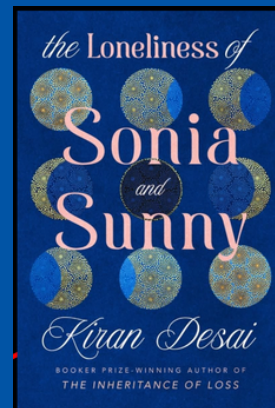
Another successful event was a cricket tournament for girls at Hampton Wick Cricket Club. Genevieve and Lotte said that one of the best parts was being mixed with other schools and making new friends.

Meanwhile in the classroom, the children have been embracing what we call marvellous mistakes. Knowing that we learn more when we make errors because we learn from them is a vital skill for all. This culture of error where children feel psychologically safe in class ensures that they know when there is a problem with their answer yet they persevere to find a solution.

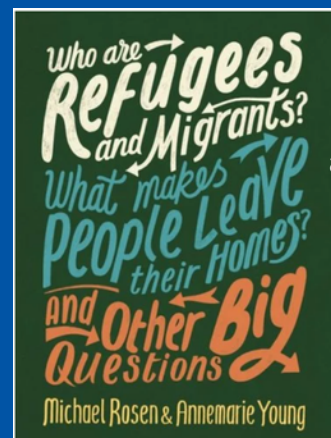
Year 4 are reading the thought provoking book-The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Q.Raúf. and this forms the basis for our book recommendations this week. Migration, immigration and celebrating our diverse country are the important issues they will debate over this term..

Do not forget it is only a month until the Orleans Summer Fair on **Friday 15th May** and we are all looking forward to our Enchanted Forest themed event. As always, there will be a huge variety of fun things for the children to do and we will be raising more funds towards our exciting playground development. Get involved in whatever way you can by contacting OPPTA.

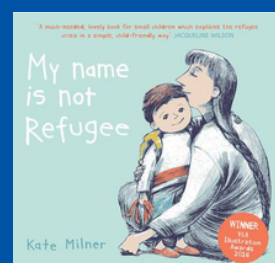
All the best,
Victoria Coward



A heart-rending novel that explores immigration and alienation. by Desai. It is as powerful as her Booker Prize winner from 2006.



Well-written and fact filled non-fiction book on this topic.



A poignant picture book that sensitively talks about this subject.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT DATES



Orleans Primary School Date Card



Summer Term 2026

April 2026	
Monday 13th	Summer 1 term starts and children return to school
16-17th	Year 4 to Thames Young Mariners
Wednesday 22nd	Author Visit Lisa Noguera
Thursday 23rd	Choirs regional rehearsal at school
Tuesday 21st	Class photos
Friday 24th	World Heritage Celebration Day
Saturday 24th	OPPTA Orleans vs St Stephen's football tournament at Moor Mead Park 9.30am Mini Marathon
Monday 27th	Year 5 to The National Gallery
Tuesday 28th	Phonics Screen Check Parent Workshop (Year 1 Families) Reception Walk to MHP
Wednesday 29th	4PB Music Showcase 9.10am in the large hall
May 2026	
Monday 4th	Bank Holiday
Tuesday 5th	Year 3 to Kew Gardens
Wednesday 6th	4GB music showcase 9.10am in large hall
Friday 8th	Open Morning 9-9.45am
11th-14th	Year 6 KS2 SATs Week
Thursday 14th	Year 6 to the Adventure Playground
Friday 15th	OPPTA Summer Fair 3.30-5.30pm
Monday 18th	Year 4 School of Noise Workshop
18th - 22nd	Year 6 PGL
Tuesday 19th	RMT Singing Festival at Rose Theatre (both choirs)
Friday 22nd	Year 2 Scooter Training

THE ENCHANTED FOREST

SUMMER FAIR

FRIDAY
15TH MAY
3.30-6PM

Where a magical forest
will come to life
at Orleans Primary

OPPTA

Orleans Primary
PTA

150 Years
JOHN D WOOD & CO.
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WEEKLY BAKE SALE SCHEDULE

SUMMER TERM

2026

APRIL

FRIDAY 24TH - 5J

MAY

FRIDAY 1ST - RC

FRIDAY 8TH - RB

FRIDAY 15TH* - WHOLE SCHOOL

FRIDAY 22ND - YEAR 1

JUNE

FRIDAY 5TH - YEAR 6

FRIDAY 12TH - YEAR 5

FRIDAY 19TH - YEAR 4

FRIDAY 26TH - YEAR 3



JULY

FRIDAY 3RD - YEAR 2

FRIDAY 10TH - NURSERY & RECEPTION



* OPPTA SUMMER FAIR - Everyone can bake!
Cash and Card Payments Accepted



OPPTA
Orleans Primary
PTA

we ♥
Cake

Orleans Primary PTA
Registered Charity Number: 1047600



Thank you to [Space to Grieve](#) for supporting us during this difficult year. Here are their details if you need to contact them for support whether that be adults or children.

what we do

Grief can be overwhelming and affect all aspects of life. Experienced, professional, caring support can help to acknowledge and explore feelings about these changes. We have seen how this support can empower people to find a way forward.

space2grieve provides support in a series of free, confidential, one-to-one support sessions with one of our highly-trained volunteers.

We can offer bereavement support for anyone who lives in Richmond borough. That includes:

Barnes • Castlenau • East Sheen • East Twickenham • Fulwell • Ham • Hampton • Hampton Hill • Hampton Wick • Kew • Mortlake • North Sheen • Petersham • Richmond • St Margarets • Strawberry Hill • Teddington • Twickenham • Whitton



get in touch

You can get in touch by phone, email or our [contact form](#). We will call you back within 48 hours (weekdays) to chat about how **space2grieve** could support you.



space2grieve

who we are

about ▾

space2grieve brings together an experienced team of local bereavement support specialists.

space2grieve is locally run and managed, and based in East Twickenham at the **ETNA centre**, in the heart of Richmond borough. Our bereavement support specialists, administrators, supervisors, managers and trustees all live or work in our borough.

We deliver an excellent bereavement support service because of the knowledge, skills and experience of our volunteers and support staff.

We are supported by The Bob Willis Fund, Hampton Fund and Richmond Foundation, as well as guided by Richmond CVS.



GOOD LUCK TO LONDON MINI MARATHON RUNNERS

On Saturday, we have Frank, Nathaniel, Liliana, Isabelle, Ben, Miller, Jasper, Felix, Carter, Isabella, Farida, Luca and Massimiliano, Florence and Austin running in the London Mini Marathon. We hope they run fast and have fun!



AFTERSCHOOL TENNIS CLUB 2026

YORK HOUSE GARDENS, TWICKENHAM

AFTERSCHOOL TENNIS PROGRAMME

Join our exciting afterschool tennis sessions designed for children of all abilities – from beginners to advanced players!

Delivered in line with the LTA Youth pathway.

- ✓ Qualified & experienced coaches
- ✓ Fun, structured sessions
- ✓ Improve skills, fitness & confidence
- ✓ Make new friends



WEEKLY TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
16:00 Red	16:00 Red	16:00 Red	16:00 Red	15:30 Blue	09:15 Blue	09:00 Red
17:00 Orange	17:00 Orange	17:00 Yellow	17:00 Orange	16:00 Red	10:00 Red	
18:00 Yellow (11-13)	18:00 Yellow (14-16)	18:00 Orange	18:00 Yellow (14-16)	17:00 Orange	11:00 Orange/ Green	
				18:00 Yellow	12:00 Yellow	12:00 Performance Group
					13:00 Yellow	

SUMMER CAMP 2026



Half Term Tennis Camps
25th-29th May
Age 4-16yrs.

Summer Tennis Camps
13th to 31st July.
Age 4-16yrs.

WHY PARENTS CHOOSE US

- ✓ Safe & friendly environment
- ✓ Structured progression
- ✓ Builds confidence & discipline
- ✓ Keeps children active after school



BOOK YOUR PLACE TODAY!
Limited spaces available – early booking recommended!

BOOK YOUR PLACE SCAN TO BOOK

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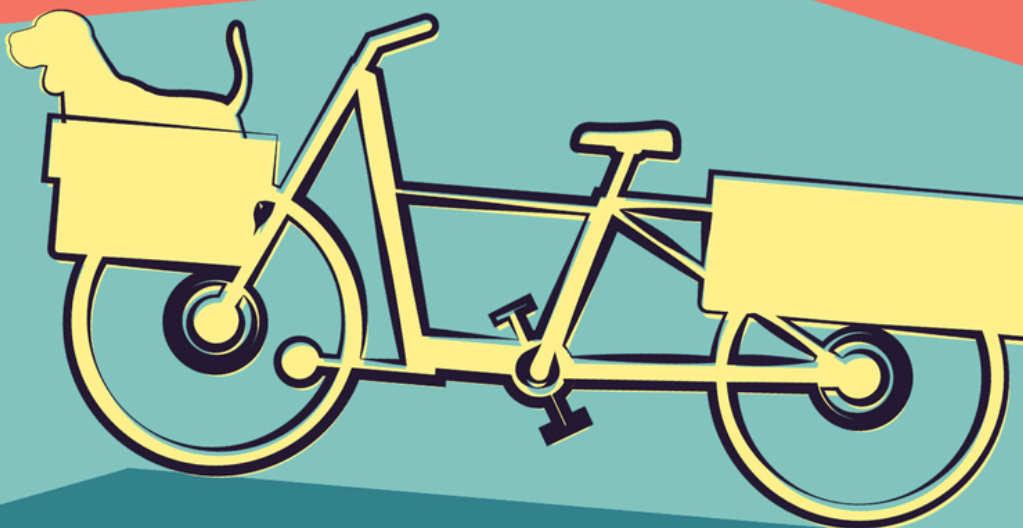
TENNIS
FOR BRITAIN

**CARGO
COLLECTIVE**

BRING THE KIDS

CAKES & CARGO BIKES IN MOORMEAD PARK

Friday 24th April - 3-5.30pm Moor Mead Rd, TW1 1JS



TRY A CARGO BIKE & EAT SOME FREE CAKE!

Meet local parents for a chat about cargo bikes and how they can revolutionise your journey to school!



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Isabel Pollen
IS RUNNING A
MARATHON
FOR TULA

On Bank
Holiday
Monday 4th
May. Hampton
Court to Barnes
Bridge and
back...



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<https://www.gofundme.com/f/pete-jotula-and-their-family>