



# **Oxhey Wood Weekly Newsletter**

## **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2018**

### **Happy New Year!**

#### **This week- thank you**

Thank you for ensuring nearly every child was back in school yesterday. The children have had a fun two days going over class rules, thinking about questions they would like to answer in topic and science learning and they have enjoyed some practical maths investigations.

Please could you make sure your child wears school uniform including black school shoes as this helps them feel part of our school community.

If you do have any questions about your child please speak to their class teacher; if you are unable to come into school the teacher's email addresses are on the school website.

#### **School Uniform Ordering**

We should be up and running with the online ordering system within the next 2 weeks. We still have some stock in the school office but sizes are limited, you can still purchase some items from us at a discounted price.

#### **Nut Allergy**

We have children in the school with serious nut allergies; we ask that you do not send your child into school with any kind of nuts in their packed lunch boxes.

#### **Safeguarding**

To ensure the safety of the children, we ask that parents do not attempt to access the school office through any entrances near the classrooms. Should you need to visit the school office you need to use the main entrance.

#### **School Lunches**

Next week is week 2. If your child brings in a packed lunch please make sure they do not bring in peanut butter sandwiches or Nutella as we have children with severe allergies. Children in Years Reception to Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals and can have a free school lunch every day.

### **Breaktime Snacks**

We endeavour to promote healthy eating at breaktimes, we have noticed that some children are bringing in packets of crisps and chocolate bars. We ask that you do not send your child into school with unhealthy snacks and swap them for fruit, raisins, rice cakes, fruit bars or send them in with 50p to purchase from our Tuck Shop.

### **Reception Applications for September 2018**

All applications must be made by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018 for a Reception place in September. You need to apply online:

<https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/.../schools.../school-admissions/primary>.

If you need support with this please ask at the school office.

### **Nursery Applications**

If you have a child that will have their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday before the end of August 2018 they are eligible to attend Nursery from September 2018. All of the local schools are now dealing with Nursery Admissions themselves and you can no longer apply via the Local Education Authority. Please apply directly with your chosen school.

Applications open from 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Applications close on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Offers made to parents on 24 April 2018

Deadline to accept places 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2018

### **Attendance**

It is really important that all children attend school every day. If you need any support in improving your child's attendance please come in and speak to Jules or a member of the senior leadership team.

Please do not book a holiday in term time.

Every half term children with 95% and above and 100% attendance will receive certificates.

## **Term dates September 2017- July 2018**

I have set all term dates for this year including INSET days so that if you need to book a holiday you can make sure you do not book them during school time:

Children return Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Half term Monday 12<sup>th</sup> -Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Term ends Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 2pm

Term starts Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Bank Holiday Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Half term Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May –Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018

Term ends for children Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 2pm

## **Dates for your diary for next term**

### **Children return to school on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January**

6B class assembly	Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January 9.15am
6J class assembly	Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> January 9.15am
5B class assembly	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February 9.15am
5L class assembly	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 9.15am
Parents evening	Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> and Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> February
Plus a session am/pm	

### **Half term Monday 12<sup>th</sup> -Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February**

4K class assembly	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 9.15am
World Book Day	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March
4S class assembly	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 9.15am
3D class assembly	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 9.15am
3N class assembly	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 9.15am
Easter Egg Hunt	Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March

## **Term dates for 2018-19**

**Below are the term dates from next September onwards. They have been set early so that you have no need to book holidays in term time. Thank you for your support.**

Start of new school year: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 for children

Half term Monday 29<sup>th</sup>-Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018

School term ends Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018 2pm

Children return Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Half term Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February-Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019

Term ends Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Children return Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

Half term Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May-Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019

Term ends Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2019