

Oxhey Wood Weekly Newsletter Friday 19th January 2018

This week

In assembly this week we thought about what it means to be considerate at home and in school. The children were able to share lots of ideas.

We now have play leaders supporting Reception and KS1 lunch play and it is great to see how seriously they take this responsibility.

Next week Year 5 are visiting Hatch End High School to experience some DT, English and maths lessons in a secondary school.

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. If you are not able to collect your child and you have arranged for another adult to collect them please either let the class teacher or the office know. Even if it is another parent we must have your permission for them to collect your child.

Absence from school

If your child is unwell and unable to attend school can you please make sure that you call the school before 9.30am to advise the reason for their absence. The number to call is 0208 4284828, please select option 1 and leave a message stating your child's name and a reason for their absence.

School Uniform Ordering

We are now set up online for school uniform ordering. There is a link on the school uniform page on the school website that takes you to the site, we also sent instructions out to you on an email. If you would like a hard copy please contact the school office. We do still have some stock in school but have limited sizes.

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.

School Lunches

Next week is week 1. 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.

Break time Snacks

We endeavour to promote healthy eating at break times, 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 then in with 50p to purchase from our Tuck Shop.

Nursery Applications

If you have a child that will have their 3rd 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 27th November 2017 Applications close on 23rd February 2018 Offers made to parents on 5th March 2018 Deadline to accept places 23rd March 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.

This week's classes with attendance over 95% are:

4KK - 98.8%

6MJ - 98.3%

2BO - 97.7%

4LS - 96.5%

2LA - 96.1%

3EN - 95.6%

5BL - 95.4%

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:

Half term Monday 12th - Friday 16th February 2018

Term ends Thursday 29th March 2018 at 2pm

Term starts Monday 16th April 2018 Bank Holiday Monday 7th May 2018

Half term Monday 28th May -Friday 1st June 2018

Term ends for children Friday 20th July 2018 at 2pm

Dates for your diary for this term

6B class assembly Wednesday 24th January 9.15am

Year 4 Books for breakfast Monday 29th January 8.50-9.30am

Year 3 Books for breakfast Tuesday 30th January 8.50-9.30am

6J class assembly Wednesday 31st January 9.15am

5B class assembly Wednesday 7th February 9.15am

Year 4 Stay and Learn (maths focus) Friday 9th February 8.50-10am

5L class assembly Wednesday 21st February 9.15am

Parents evening Tues 6th and Weds 7th February

Plus a session am/pm

Half term Monday 12th-Friday 16th February

Film Club Thursday 1st February 2018

Valentine's Day Non-Uniform Friday 9th February 2018

Easter Bonnet and Non-Uniform Day Friday 16th March 2018

4K class assembly Wednesday 28th February 9.15am

World Book Day Thursday 2nd March

4S class assembly Wednesday 7th March 9.15am

3D class assembly Wednesday 14th March 9.15am

3N class assembly Wednesday 21st March 9.15am

Easter Egg Hunt Thursday 29th 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 5th September 2018 for children

Half term Monday 29th-Friday 2nd November 2018

School term ends Friday 21st December 2018 2pm

Children return Tuesday 8th January 2019

Half term Monday 18th February-Friday 22nd February 2019

Term ends Friday 5th April 2019

Children return Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Half term Monday 27th May-Friday 31st May 2019

Term ends Friday 19th July 2019