



## **Oxhey Wood Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 30th June 2017**

### **Fundraising**

Thank you for supporting our Summer Fair, we raised £2000! Thank you to staff and parents who gave up their time to help and especially to Clare and Sue in the office who organised it.

### **MAT(Multi Academy Trust ) Consultation**

Thank you if you were able to come to the meeting this week. I have sent home formal consultation letters; please return them as soon as possible.

### **Play leader of the Year**

Congratulations to Keelie in Year 5 who was awarded play leader of the year at the School Sports Partnership awards this week.

### **E-SAFETY**

Please monitor your child's use of the internet at home. This week Year 6 have been reminded how to use online sites safely. Sites such as Facebook, WhatsApp, YouTube should not be used by children under 13 years of age. If you have allowed your child to use any such sites please monitor their use of it.

We will continue to look at ways to promote good attendance.

### **Race for Life**

The children will be taking part in the Race for Life in school on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July. They will bring sponsor forms home today; all the children will take part and will receive a Race for Life medal.

## **Sports Day and Sports week**

The children have had a great week thinking about healthy eating and trying out a range of sports including karate and boxing.

I hope you enjoyed sports day. Thank you for sharing your views I will share these with you next week.

## **Reading before School**

If your children are invited in for morning reading sessions, they will need to access the school via the main entrance as the doors leading to KS2 will be locked. There will be no access until 8.30.

## **School Gates**

Please note, the school gates are locked between 8.30am and 9am and again between 2.45pm and 3.30pm. This is to ensure the children's safety entering and leaving the school grounds.

## **Parking**

Please make sure you park your cars legally and safely before and after school. Some parents have been parking in a square that must be vehicle free at all times.

## **Open door policy**

We have an open door policy in school; if you have a question or a concern please ask to speak to your child's class teacher or come to the office and ask to speak to myself or Mrs Stray. We always deal with any concern on an individual basis. We pride ourselves on being an inclusive school and have spent time with the children discussing 'Fair isn't equal, fair is when everyone gets what they need.' Please do come and chat to me if you would like this explained further.

## **Punctuality**

Please try and make sure your child arrives on time every day. They are often upset if they are late and have to walk into the classroom when everyone else is settled. Thank you for your support.

## **Packed lunches and KS2 playtime snacks.**

Staff have noticed that some children are bringing in lots of chocolate as part of their lunch from home. Please could you try and make lunches as healthy as possible; too much chocolate can cause some children to have a sugar dip in the afternoon that affects their learning and behaviour. Children in KS2 can bring a snack in from home for morning break but this should only be fruit or a cereal bar; no crisps or chocolate.

## **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.

## **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:

5JB – 100%

4AH – 97.5%

RKDL – 96.7%

1TH – 95.7%

3KK - 95.6%

1MH – 95.3%

## **Term dates for this year**

Term ends on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2017 at 2pm

## **Dates for this term**

New nursery parents meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> July 9.30am
Open evening/museum evening 4.30pm(Years 1-6)	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July 3.30-
Year 6 leavers performance	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July at 6pm

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

I have set all term dates for next 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:

Term starts for children Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Half term Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Term ends Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 2pm

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

Half term Monday 12-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

