



# Oxhey Wood Weekly Newsletter

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

## Health and Safety

It is great to see so many children and adults cycling or riding scooters to school; please could they be walked into school from the gate to avoid any injuries. Please make sure they are put in the cycle/scooter sheds; we will be ordering a scooter stand for the area just outside the Early Years outdoor learning area.

Please could I remind all parents that you must supervise your children before and after school to ensure they are safe.

## Safeguarding

Please support all staff and children by only coming into school via the school office before and after school. It is really important that adults do not use any of the playground doors to come into school at any time.

## School Photographs

The school photographer will be in on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October** to take single and sibling photos. Please ensure that your child comes into school in full school uniform (including jumper) on that day as the photograph is taken on a white background.

## Parking

Please could I ask for all parents to park carefully and considerately when dropping and collecting children. It is really important that everyone supports the safety of all children and respects local residents. Please do not park on the pavement, across drives or on the zig zag lines.

## **Independence-Key Stage 2**

To support your child's independence please avoid coming into school with them in the morning. Please speak to a member of staff on the playground if you need to. If you need a longer appointment they will arrange this with you.

## **Attendance and Punctuality**

It is really important that all children come to school every day and on time. At the end of each half term certificates will be awarded to all children with attendance and punctuality of 95% and above, with a treat at the end of each term for all children with 100% attendance and punctuality. If you would like support to ensure your child attends school every day please phone or make an appointment to see me.

It has been great to see the improvement in children arriving on time; thank you for your support.

## **Class Attendance of the Week**

The following classes had attendance of over 95%:

Well Done:

4AH – 98.6%

1TH – 98%

3KK – 97.2%

6SB – 96.8%

2LA - 96.7%

2PM – 96%

1MH – 95.7

5JB – 95.6%

5MM – 95.2%

## **Year 6 application for Secondary places**

If your child is in Year 6 you need to apply for their secondary school place by 31<sup>st</sup> October at [www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions), if you would like any support with this please ask at the school office.

## **School Lunches**

Next week is week 3. 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 –Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals and can have a free school lunch every day.

## **Dates for your diary for this term:**

Parents Evening Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October-(please note change of date)

Herts Catering food tasting Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October after school

Harvest Celebration (parents very welcome) Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 9.15am

INSET day Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Half term: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October-Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October

Early Years (Nursery and Reception) Christmas Celebration (parents very welcome) Monday 19<sup>th</sup> December (time to be confirmed)

KS1 and KS2 Christmas Celebration (parents very welcome) Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 9.15am

Term Ends Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 2pm

## **Fundraising this term**

Pumpkin carving Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

Non-school uniform Day £1 or a donation for the Christmas Fair- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Spookfest Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October

Non-school uniform Day £1 or a donation for the Christmas Fair- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Christmas Fair-Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Jumper Day-Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December £1 for charity

Christmas Disco-Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December