



Oxhey Wood Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th July 2020

Term ends next week on Friday 17th July, please collect your child between 1.30-2pm

I hope you and your families have had a good week and you are safe and well. It has been great to see the children receiving their achievements this week with more to come next week. If your child is in year 6 you should have received an email with the change in plans for their leaver celebration.

I am currently finalising plans for September in line with Government guidance and I will share this with you next week.

The dates for the final achievement celebrations for next week are below, if your child is in school, they will have their celebration with other children in school and if your child is at home, they will have a different time. To ensure we follow all lockdown guidelines please can only members of your family that live in your house come to these celebrations.

If your child is coming into school please make sure they wear sensible footwear and tops that cover their shoulders especially with the hot weather. Please do not drive into school when you drop off and collect your child to ensure the safety of all children.

date	time	Which class
13 th July	12.15	Children in Year 3/ 4 AK not in school
13 th July	1.15pm	Children in RGL not in school
13 th July	2.15pm	Children that are in school based in RGL with Mrs Forshaw or with Miss Douglas-Law in the Year 2 classroom
14 th July	11am	Children in RCL not in school
14 th July	12	Children in 1EM not in school
14 th July	2.30pm	Children in Miss Loomes group in school
15 th July	12	Children in 2LK not in school
15 th July	1pm	Children in 3/4/KK not in school
15 th July	2.15pm	Years 2 3/ 4 children in school
16 th July	9am	3 / 4 AM out of school
16 th July	11.30am	Y5 children out of school
16 th July	2.15pm	Y5 children in school
16 th July	5pm	Y6 BBQ

Children coming into school:

To ensure the continued safety of our children, families and staff, if your child is coming into school it is important that you follow all lockdown rules outside of school to prevent the spread of the virus.

Please remember children must arrive no later than 9am for the safety of everyone.

Please make sure your child wears clothes that cover shoulders to give extra protection from the sun and that shoes are sensible for running and playing in.

Please remember sun cream before school, a sun hat and a named water bottle-children can have flavoured water but not juice unless with their lunch. This is in line with DFE guidance but also prevents sticky spillages in the classroom that can attract ants and wasps/bees at this time of year.

Children at home:

Teachers will continue to phone children who are not in school to see if they need any help with their learning and just to say hello- we miss the children and the teachers love to speak to them and share news. If your child is in Years 3 and 4 we will be trialling, a new online learning platform called Google classrooms-if you are not able to access this, work will be shared in the current way.

Any concerns/questions please email me on head@oxheywood.herts.sch.uk.

The school office is open for phone calls and emails. If you have an urgent concern, I have a school mobile: 07922422462.

Reminders Coronavirus:

Symptoms:

Please do not bring your child to school if they or anyone living in your household has a high temperature, new cough or loses their sense of taste or smell. You must let me know and book a test, self-isolating until you get the result.

Coronavirus

Department for Education Coronavirus helpline

Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

Keyworkers

If your child is in Nursery, Reception, Years 1, 5 or 6 and you have made the decision that they are coming to school please could they come in every day rather than the days you work, as school is open each day for them.

If your child is in Years 2,3,4 they only need to come to school on the days you need them to.

Start and finish of the school day.

Unless you need paid breakfast club provision or after school club until 4pm in your child's group all children should arrive between 8.30-9am and be collected between 2.45-3.15pm.

Thank you so much for ensuring your child has been in school by 9am as this is vital for health and safety so that children come into school using the right entrance.

Safeguarding and Health and Safety

If you are concerned about the safety of any children, we have four designated safeguarding leads in school: Mrs Morley, Jules Riding, Mrs Caplan and Miss Douglas-Law - please share any concerns with them or please ring 0300 123 4043.

Free school meals

For children that are eligible for free school meals, we continue to prepare and deliver weekly food parcels of lunches for children not coming into school. If you did not ask for one but need this now, please let me know.

I am aware that a number of parents are no longer able to work due to companies closing due to the coronavirus. If you think you may be eligible for free school meals please email me and we can look into registering your child so that you are then eligible for school lunches to be delivered.

This week

This week in school, children have continued to enjoy their learning and it is great to see how much fun and learning the children are having at home too.

Early Years

In nursery this week the children have been making colourful butterflies, talking about transition and having lots of fun playing with 'orbies'. In class this week the children have looked at the change in our bean plants, followed instructions on how to draw a bee, leaf printing and looked at the story Cautious Caterpillar about transitioning to year 1. At home, the children have also looked at the story and have been exploring capacity for math's with parents.



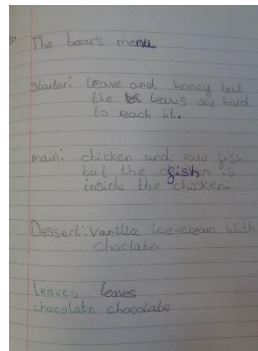
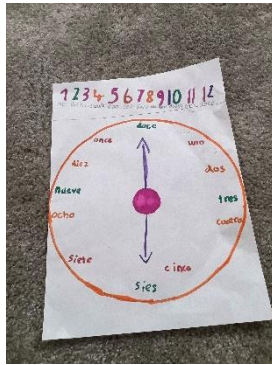
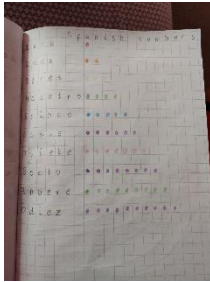
Year 1

This week the children have been learning about the Great Fire of London, singing songs, asking questions and have built houses from that time era.



Year 2

This week Year 2 have been reading the story 'The Bear who came to babysit', they made some bear biscuits and wrote a menu for a bear. They have also recapped halving and quartering of shapes



Great work at home by Kaveesha and Prerana!

Years 3 and 4

This week the children have been looking at art and photography. They have looked at a range of art movements, learning more about them and comparing them

Year 5

This week year 5 have played battleships, they had a socially distanced game of rounder's against the other class, created a large portrait of Nelson Mandela and Frankenstein. They have also created their own quizzes and played against each other on Kahoot.

At home this week year 5 have been continuing their writing about Wizards with a magical potion poem and some mysterious science experiments. In mymaths they have been working on some algebra puzzles, time conversions and problem solving. They have continued to read our class book the Nowhere Emporium and they are up to chapter 34 out of 37 chapters so almost finished. If anyone wants to discover what happens next they could read the next book *The Elsewhere Emporium*. They have also worked on our create a medicine museum project this week and continued to meet virtually over google meets. It has been a really lovely way to help children at home and school connect.



Year 6

Year 6 had a go at creating and painting some pop art this week. They have also continued thinking about transition and strategies to manage change.



Below are the term dates for this school year.

Break up Friday 17th July at 2pm

Dates have now been set for the school year 2020-2021.

Please do not book any holidays during term time

Children return on Monday 7th September, to support your child please make sure they return on this day to help them settle back into school routines.

2nd September 2020-occasional day-school closed

3rd September INSET

4th September-INSET

Children return 7th September 2020

Half term 26-30th October 2020

End of term 18th December 2pm

INSET 4th January 2021

Children return 5th January 2021

Half term 15-19 February 2021

End of term 26th March 2021 2pm

Children return 12th April 2021

Half term 31st May-4th June 2021

INSET 7th June 2021

Term ends for children 21st July 2021 2pm

INSET 22nd July 2021