



Oxhey First School Newsletter 4th October 2019

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School Admissions

Good luck to our Year 4 pupils who go off to Shugborough next week for their residential trip we hope you have a great time and have the opportunity to challenge yourselves and learn lots of new skills!

If your child is currently attending Nursery, you will still be required to apply for your September 2020 reception place. Online applications open on Friday 1st November 2019 and the deadline for applications is Wednesday 15th January.

If your child is currently in Year 4 you will need to apply for your September 2020 Middle school place. Online applications open on Friday 1st November 2019 and the deadline for applications is Wednesday 15th January.

You will find out the outcome of your application on National Offer Day 16th April 2020.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 9th October	Terrific Turtles forest school sessions start
Wednesday 9th October	Year 3 to St Lawrence for Harvest Festival
Wednesday 9th—Friday 11th October	Y4 Residential Shugborough
Friday 18th October	Academy photos—family portraits from 8.15am. Individual and siblings at school during the school day
Tuesday 22nd October	Little Ladybirds nursery rhyme time AM
Thursday 24th October	PTFA Halloween Disco
Friday 25th October	Finish for Half term
Monday 4th November	Return to School
Wednesday 13th November	Outstanding Owls grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 20th November	Fabulous Foxes grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 27th November	Marvellous Meerkats grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Friday 28th November	PTFA Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 3rd December	Dazzling Dragon Flies & Sparkly Spiders SHINE mornings
Tuesday 10th December	KS2 performance at St Lawrence 6pm

Attendance

Sparkly Spiders	91.30%
Dazzling Dragonflies	91.36%
Amazing Alligators	98.89%
Perfect Pandas	91.67%
Terrific Turtles	95.93%
Fabulous Foxes	89.33%
Marvellous Meerkats	100%
Outstanding Owls	100%

Last Week's Winners were

Marvellous Meerkats and Outstanding Owls with a fantastic 100%

Last Week's Whole School Attendance – 95%

School target — 96.5%

Drop in sessions

In order to ensure we are as accessible as possible to you we will be offering drop in sessions after school. You are not expected to pop in weekly, however if you have any questions, concerns or queries please use this time to chat with staff. Obviously if you do not collect your child and wish to speak to staff please call school and we will make sure they call you back.

Drop ins will be between 3.30-4 p.m.

Little Ladybirds- Mrs Rigby- **Monday**

Sparkly Spiders and Dazzling Dragonflies- **Tuesday**

Perfect Pandas, Terrific Turtles and Amazing Alligators -Years 1 / 2 - **Tuesday**

Marvellous Meerkats, Fabulous Foxes and Outstanding Owl- Years 3 / 4 **Tuesday**

Time to Celebrate!



Tiger Learners of the Week



Pupils of the WEEK—Writing

Out of school achievements

Well done for some amazing achievements including Martial Arts, football achievements & swimming awards this week! Don't forget to keep sending in your out of school WOW moments by Thursday, ready to celebrate in Friday's assembly. We love to celebrate your individual achievements with the rest of the school.

Sports person of the WEEK



WOW Award



A very big thank you to all the very kind donations of cakes and cash last week in support of Macmillan.

Together we raised £409.70. This event was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended and proved to be a great success.



10 October is World Mental Health Day

Promoting the emotional wellbeing and mental health of our children and the wider school community is a priority for us at Oxhey. We would like to raise awareness and reduce stigma by joining in with World Mental Health Day on 10th October. Pupils are invited to come to school wearing something yellow on that day, whether it be an item of clothing or an accessory. There will be no charge for this event.

In order to kick-start thinking about emotional wellbeing and mental health we have joined up with 'Trailblazers', a government initiative to place Education Mental Health Practitioners (EMPH's) in schools. Trailblazers support pupils and their families on a whole-school, group and 1:1 basis. If you feel you or your child may benefit from Trailblazers' support then please contact Mrs Holt. Keep an eye on the newsletter for details of further wellbeing events!



Little Ladybirds

22ND OCTOBER 11.00 AM- SHINE SESSION FOR PARENTS & CHILDREN IN LITTLE LADYBIRDS- NURSERY RHYME THEME



3RD DECEMBER AM- SHINE SESSION FOR PARENTS & CHILDREN IN DAZZLING DRAGONFLIES AND SPARKLY SPIDERS- CHRISTMAS THEME



More information to come!

Nursery Places 2019-20

Does your child, or anyone you know with a child, who turns 3, on or before 31st December 2019?

If your child is 3 by this time, your child is eligible to start at our Nursery in the Spring term.

Please ring school on 01782 513000 if you would like to arrange a visit to the school.

Applications for the January 2020 intake need to be handed in or emailed to the school office by Friday 25th October - application forms can be found on the school website or at the school office.

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