



Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year!

I am delighted to be writing to you as the newly appointed Headteacher at Oxhey First School and feel extremely privileged to have been chosen to continue to build upon the success the school has already achieved. I am determined that Oxhey will continue to flourish and maintain its position at the heart of our community.

I have had a wonderful first week. It has been a pleasure greeting the children in my assembly, eating lunch with them and visiting them in their classrooms. It has also been lovely talking to many of you on the playground and I wish to thank you all for your well wishes. I attended meetings and events last term and so met many of the staff and governors before starting. I have enjoyed meeting and getting to know the rest of the wonderful team this week. Seeing everyone's love and energy for Oxhey is inspiring.

I wanted to take this opportunity to briefly introduce myself to you, and express my enthusiasm for the exciting times ahead. I have enjoyed four happy and successful years as Head of School at a two-form entry primary school in Stoke-on-Trent, where I spent 16 years in total! Although, I was sad to say goodbye, I am ready and looking forward to the journey ahead at Oxhey. I hold a strong child-centred approach to teaching, where consistency, praise, encouragement and challenge are key. I believe that all children are unique- it is a privilege, as a teacher and a leader, to be able to inspire, enthuse, motivate and nurture children to achieve their full potential.

I would like to thank all the pupils, staff, leaders within the MAT, governors and parents for making me feel so incredibly welcome. I truly believe strong school-parent partnership is vital to children's success, so please come and have a chat at forthcoming events and when you see me on the playground. I am looking forward to getting to know you all as we embark upon this new adventure together.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Lorraine Jukes



Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. If you are interested or know someone who may be then please call into the school office for an application form.

The position is term time only, from 12—1.15pm each day.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Closing date 17/01/2020



Time to Celebrate!



Tiger Learners of the Week



Pupils of the WEEK—Maths



WOW Awards

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 29th January	Young Voices concert
Tuesday 11th February	Inspire Dance Show
Friday 14th February	Finish for half term
Tuesday 25th February	Return to school
Wednesday 4th March	Perfect Pandas grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 11th March	Terrific Turtles grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 18th March	Amazing Alligators grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 4th March	Perfect Pandas grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 11th March	Terrific Turtles grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 18th March	Amazing Alligators grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Friday 27th March	Big Breakfast—info to follow
Friday 3rd April	Finish for Easter Holidays
Monday 20th April	Return to school
Wednesday 29th April	Dazzling Dragonflies grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Wednesday 6th May	Sparkly Spiders grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Friday 8th May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 13th May	Little Ladybirds grandparents to lunch - info to follow
Friday 22nd May	Finish for half term

Flu Catch Up Clinics

Should your child still be outstanding their flu vaccine the School age Immunisation Team will be holding the following Flu clinics:

Tuesday 14th January 2020 - Ryecroft Health Centre ST5 2BQ - Morning Session Only

Wednesday 15th January 2020 - Rising Brook Health Centre ST17 9LY - All Day Session

Thursday 16th January 2020 - Tamworth Health Centre B79 7EA - All Day Session

If you do wish to book an appointment please ring the team on 0300 124 0366 accordingly.

Attendance

• Sparkly Spiders	83.70%
• Dazzling Dragonflies	91.82%
• Amazing Alligators	100%
• Perfect Pandas	96.33%
• Terrific Turtles	95.56%
• Fabulous Foxes	96.33%
• Marvellous Meerkats	94.67%
• Outstanding Owls	98.75%

This weeks Winners were

Amazing Alligators with a fantastic 100%

Last Week's Whole School Attendance – 95.06%

School target — 96.5%

Attend EDC

We would like to thank you all for your support with attendance especially through December when there were so many illnesses flying about!

Our schools now employ Attend EDC to support us with the monitoring of attendance. They will support families with morning routines and timings and those whose attendance figures falls below the national expectation of 96% Our Education Welfare Support Worker is called Liam Rowley and will be completing activities like register checks, late gates, attendance clinics and advice drop ins to ensure that we can work together to smash our school target!

If you would like more information about their service please visit

<https://www.attendedc.co.uk/education-welfare/>