



Oxhey Newsletter

A message from Mrs Cooper

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy and exciting half term we have had! The children have enjoyed getting stuck into their new learning, listening to visitors who have visited us and taking part in lots of our clubs. Thank you for your on-going support at the information workshops and at our recent Parents' Evening too.

This week we said goodbye to Mrs Rogers who has retired after almost 20 years at Oxhey. We would all like to thank her for her hard work and dedication over the years. We will really miss her. Mrs Rogers has asked me to pass on her thanks to all of the parents and children for their well wishes.

Please remember to follow us on Facebook so that you don't miss out on seeing all of the updates/photographs.

Have a wonderful half term holiday, best wishes from Mrs Cooper and the Oxhey Staff Team.



Diary Dates

Inset day school closed to pupils

25th October

Half term

28th Oct - 1st Nov

School re-opens

4th November

Non-uniform exchange for smellies

8th November

KS1 Shine Morning

13th November

KS2 Shine morning

14th November

EYFS Shine morning

15th November

Children in Need

15th November

Non uniform exchange for consumable bottles

22nd November



Class	Attendance
Sparkly Spiders	98%
Dazzling Dragonflies	94%
Terrific Turtles	97%
Perfect Pandas	98%
Amazing Alligators	96%
Marvellous Meerkats	95%
Outstanding Owls	93%
Fabulous Foxes	98%

This Week's Winners

Sparkly Spiders
Perfect Pandas &
Fabulous Foxes



School Matters!
Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow



School is closed after today until Monday 4th November.

Our whole school attendance target is 96.4%.
This week, our school attendance was: 96.2%

Rewards and Celebrations



Pupils of the Week & TIGER Learners

- LL Alfred & Toby
- SS Erica & Tenuki
- DD Elsie E & Alice B
- TT Frank & Charlie H
- PP Harry & Minnie-Mai
- AA Calista & Isabelle L
- MM Bailey & Annabelle
- DD Year 4 pupils
- FF Year 4 pupils



TT Rockstars Winning class Fabulous Foxes

Outstanding Owls

- 1st Franklin
- 2nd Theo
- 3rd Harpa
- Most improved Isla

Marvellous Meerkats

- 1st Milo
- 2nd Sophia
- 3rd Bailey
- Most improved Emma

Fabulous Foxes

- 1st Stanley
- 2nd Issac
- 3rd Ruby
- Most improved Tyler



Numbots

Winning class

Amazing Alligators

- AA Harriet
- PP Edwin
- TT Isaac

Ready, Steady, Read!

The results are based on the number of children who have read four or more times in the week.

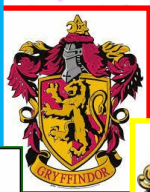


1st

2nd

3rd

Well done to everyone who read and took part in the challenge last week.



House points

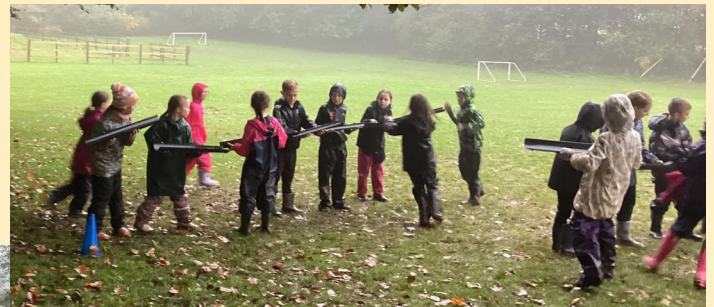
Ravenclaw	
Slytherin	
Gryffindor	
Hufflepuff	



In the spotlight this week



Last week the Year 4 children headed off with their bulging suitcases to Sandon Bowers for their three day residential. While they were there, they took part in a range of activities and challenges which pushed them to be brave, face their fears and show huge amounts of resilience!



We were so proud of how each and every one of them faced the challenges head on, and their behaviour while we were away was fantastic. The staff who ran the activities were extremely impressed with how mature, sensible and organised they were too. What a fantastic few days we all had together.

Keep an eye out on Facebook for the upcoming photo albums from our trip!



WOW awards.....



Non-Uniform days in exchange for items for our PTFA Christmas Fayre:

- ◆ **Friday 8th November** - smellies
- ◆ **Friday 22nd November** - consumable bottles
- ◆ **Friday 29th November** (Christmas Fayre day) - Chocolates



Is Your Child due to start Nursery or Reception in 2025?

Our Early Years open evening will be held on Monday 11th November at 5.30pm.

If your child is 3 before 31st December 2024 they are eligible to uptake 15 hours of funded nursery provision from January 2025. At Oxhey we can offer 'Outstanding' (OFSTED) nursery provision with high quality environments, tailored to meet your child's next steps in learning and to fully prepare them for the transition to Reception schooling and beyond.

Our open evening on **Monday 11th November** will include a tour of our Early years environments and an opportunity to meet the Headteacher, Early Years Leader, Nursery manager and staff. There will also be an opportunity to hear from our Head boy and Girl about their experiences of school life at Oxhey. Reception places must be applied for directly at www.staffordshire.gov.uk. The application window opens 1.11.24 and closes 15.1.25. Nursery places can be applied for direct from the school. We have 3 intakes per year- September, January and April. Your child can start in nursery the term after their 3rd birthday. If you would like to apply please download the application form from the school website and email/ post it to the school. If you would like to attend the open evening then please contact the school office via telephone or email to book a place.
office.oxh@cfjptrust.co.uk
01782 513000

Our school is OUTSTANDING... We offer a meaningful curriculum that places your child at its heart, engages natural curiosity and challenges intellectual thinking.

We have a safe, secure site offering forest school experiences from Nursery to Year 4, huge grassed areas, forest play trails and 3 different playgrounds where the children are able to meet together to relax and learn. We offer a wide range of after school and lunchtime clubs from reception to year 4. Tiger club- Our fantastic before and after school provision, offers wrap around care from 7.30 am- 6pm.

We have a dedicated team of staff who are passionate about driving learning forward and encouraging the children they teach to meet their full potential.

A happy place to learn and grow...

But don't just take our word for it! Ofsted reported that our children, 'develop excellent learning behaviours with high levels of concentration and resilience. Children achieve very well in the early years.' They also noted that, 'Reading is a high priority. This begins as soon as children start in Nursery. Adults immerse children in stories and rhymes. These strong foundations prepare children well as they move into Reception and beyond.'

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Notice Board

A happy place to learn and grow!
Oxhey First School Children First Learning Partnership
Ofsted Outstanding

Make friends and have fun with a different nature theme each week.

£2 donation
 £1 per additional sibling

Includes a drink for adult and child, a piece of toast and biscuits too!

Play and learn!
Every Friday
 9.45 - 11.00

Returns **11th October!**

Messy play
 Songs
 Craft

All ages welcome!

Get to meet our Outstanding Early Years Team!

Telephone the school office on 01782 513000 for further details or to book!

COMING SOON

Holiday Activities and Food

Funded for children and young people aged 5-16 who get free school meals*. Paid places also available.
 Bookings open Monday 11 November.
staffordshire.gov.uk/holidayactivities

SCAN ME!

Staffordshire County Council

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD

James Bateman Middle School invites parents and carers to a ... **SEND Coffee Morning**

This will be a great opportunity to meet and catch-up with other parents, check-in with staff and discuss SEND support.

Open to all parents of all year groups!
 This includes Year 3 and 4 parents.
 No need to book, just show up!

Friday 6th December
 9:15am - 11:15am
 at the School Canteen

ATTENDANCE

WHAT THE NEW RULES MEAN FOR ME

1

I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised and you must talk to the school before you book anything. Because your child will miss 5 school days you will be given a penalty notice fine. The fine is £160 but if you pay it in 21 days it will be reduced to £80.

£160



2

FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN.



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160

4 children & 1 parent = £640

Reduced to £320 if paid in 21 days

IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE

10 IN 10

5

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised. The school will consider prosecution.

1

Day =

2

Sessions

3

FOR A FAMILY OF TWO PARENTS



+ £160 + £160 + £160 + £160



4 children & 2 parents =

£1280

Reduced to £640 if paid in 21 days

If in any period of not more than 3 years, your child has a 2nd and 3rd leave of absence or pattern of irregular attendance...

4

2ND TIME

2 parents and
1 child = £320
2 children = 640
3 children = 960
4 children = 1280

No discount for early payment



3RD TIME

A penalty notice fine will not be given. Instead, your case will be taken to court. A magistrate can fine each parent £2500 for each child
1 parent & 4 children = £10,000
2 parents & 4 children = £20,000