

Oxhey Newsletter

A message from Mrs Holt.....

We've reached the end of what has been a wonderful Spring term! There have been so many highlights looking back, including school trips, concerts and performances, visitors and experiences in school, SHINE mornings, new playground equipment and PTFA events, to name but a few!

There are new and exciting changes to look forward to in the Summer term too. We will welcome Mrs Proffitt as our new Head of School and we know she is very much looking forward to being part of Team Oxhey. Mrs Carr will be joining our Nursery team as Mrs Cooper takes her maternity leave after Easter. We wish Mrs Cooper all the very best and can't wait for news of her new baby's arrival!

As always, we would like to say a huge thank you to our parents, carers and wider community who have continued to support the school over the term and truly make it a happy place for our pupils to learn, achieve and grow!

Wishing you a very restful break over Easter (with lots of chocolate eggs too!) from all the Oxhey Team!

Diary Dates

Last day of term

11th April

Easter Holidays

14th-25th April

School re-opens

28th April

St. Georges Day meal

30th April

Bank Holiday Monday

8th May

VE day

8th May

Nursery Graduation & Year 4 leavers photographs

12th May

Last day of term

23rd May

Half term

26th-30th May

Inset day school closed to pupils

2nd June

Y4 Welcome to Woodhouse meeting

17th June

All Biddulph schools bump up day

19th June

Health & Sports week

w/c 23rd June

EYFS Sports Day 9.15-11am

24th June

KS1 Sports Say 9.15-11am

25th June

KS2 Sports Day 9.15-11am

Class

Attendance

This Week's Winners.....

Sparkly Spiders

100%

Sparkly Spiders
&
Outstanding Owls

Fabulous Foxes

98%

Terrific Turtles

99%

Perfect Pandas

98%

Amazing Alligators

97%

Marvellous Meerkats

97%

Outstanding Owls

100%

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

School meals

A reminder that from Monday 28th April school meals will be £3.20 per child per day. (UFSM & FSM are still valid).

Our whole school attendance target is 96.4%.
This week, our school attendance was 98.5%

Rewards and Celebrations



Pupils of the Week & TIGER Learners

EYFS - All children for their amazing Easter Bonnets & Baskets.

PP Oscar & Alfi

AA Logan & George N

TT James & Rose

MM Emily & Bailey

OO Whole Class & Elys

FF Leo & Isla



TT Rockstars

Winning class

Marvellous Meerkats

1st place

Riley

Ruby R

Hollie

2nd place

Jack H

Freddie

George

3rd place

Harvey

Stanley

Theo

Most improved

Hendrix

Jacob Ac

Isobelle



Numbots

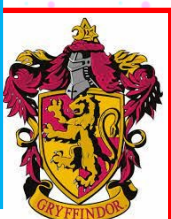
Winning Class

Terrific Turtles

AA - Fran Bo

PP - Edwin

TT - Charlie F



House points

Starting again in the summer term.

Ready, Steady, Read!

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



1st Sparkly Spiders 100%

2nd Terrific Turtles 92%

3rd Marvellous Meerkats 69%

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

In the spotlight this week



This week our spotlight celebrates Deva Roman Trip and Easter Bingo!



This week, our KS2 pupils visited the Roman Deva Experience in Chester. They enjoyed a fabulous march dressed as Roman soldiers along the walls of Chester and experienced life as a Roman in the interactive museum. The children behaved impeccably and had a wonderful time. Many thanks to all the parent volunteers who supported with the trip. Please see Facebook for more pictures.




Our committed PTFA have also been working hard this week to deliver an egg-tastic Easter Bingo event! Lots of fun was had by all, including a visit from the Easter Bunny, with chocolate eggs for every child taking part and bumper hampers of Easter treats for luck winners. A huge thank you to them for all their hard work and to everyone who attended and supported the event. Keep an eye on the newsletter for the total raised!



VE day

Thursday 8th May

We will be having a special afternoon tea to celebrate 80 years of VE day. No need to pre-book. There will be no jacket potatoes available on this day. Normal charges for your child apply.



VE Day

Thursday 8th May

Main meal choice

Ham, cheese or tuna sandwiches/ wraps

With a choice of

Pizza wheels and cocktail sausages

Tomato pasta (V)

Cucumber and carrot sticks

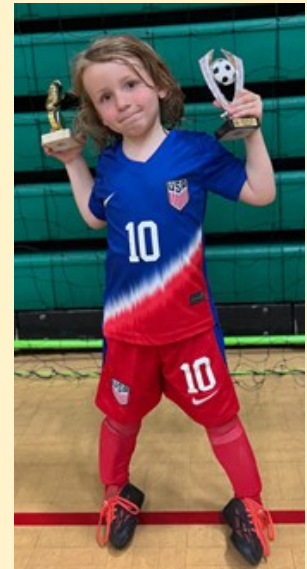
Pudding choice

Jam Victoria sponge

Jelly and ice cream

Yogurt and fresh fruit

WOW Awards



#WakeUpWednesday

#WakeUpWednesday aims to equip every trusted adult with the knowledge and skills that they need to keep up with the latest information, implement best practice and heighten their awareness of issues around three core topics; online safety, mental health & wellbeing; and climate change & sustainability.

Relevant to all parents and educators, from early years through to secondary school, the #WakeUpWednesday resources can be accessed both on a desktop and via our #WakeUpWednesday app, providing instant and easy access to world-class expertise in the areas they need the most anytime, anywhere.

This week I would like to direct your attention to TikTok

[What you Need to Know: TikTok | Free Online Safety Guide](#)

Upcoming changes to waste management...

Until recently, the law did not require a business to recycle; it was a choice. But now the law is changing. From **31st March 2025**, all business premises **must** arrange to have all:

- › dry recyclable waste (glass, cans, plastic, paper and card) collected for recycling;
- › food waste separately collected for recycling.



Colour Coded Bin Lids

- General Waste
- Plastics & Metals
- Food Waste
- Cardboard & Paper
- Glass

Our Eco Warriors will be supporting our school community with paper recycling. This will help in our quest to achieve our Eco Award too!



Children who have packed lunches will now be bringing the items from their lunch boxes back home with them-this will not only help with the management of recycling with-in school, but will also allow you to see what your child has/ has not eaten that day. We thank you in advance for your support with this. change.

Notice Board

From **Monday 28th April** there will be the following price increase:

- ♦ **Lunches** - will be £3.20 per child per day (universal free school meals & free schools are not affected).

FROM PRAM TO PRIMARY SCHOOL



Scan the QR code for more information

Would you like to feel more confident in your parenting? Would you like to learn more about your child's behaviours and their emotional development? Then our FREE Pram to Primary might be the course for you!

We offer free 6 week courses for parents of 0-11 year olds with both face-to-face and virtual options available.

Starts Monday 28th April
1pm- 2.30pm
At Staffordshire Moorlands Family Hub Albert St Biddulph

****Booking is essential****
Please register your interest and book your place asap on
Groupwork@staffordshire.gov.uk

CHAIN REACTION



WHERE

Saturday 12th April 2025
Outside Biddulph Library
(Next to Medical Centre Off
Wharf Road Car Park)
11am till 2pm

WHAT

We are starting a new project called Chain Reaction. Over the next year, there will be lots of different events across Staffordshire Moorlands- all with a bike theme.

Bicycle Ballet
Free bike checks
Support with minor repairs
Free security marking
A chance to tell us what you think.
All Welcome



We aim to:

- Find new homes for bikes that have been taken to the Recycling Centres.
- Help you to learn how to do repairs and look after your bikes.
- Encourage more residents to get on bikes and find amazing places to ride.
- Start lots of conversations about cycling in our area.



FREE FAMILY FILM

APRIL 15TH | 14:00 PM
BIDDULPH TOWN HALL

JOIN US FOR A FREE FAMILY FILM THIS EASTER.
BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND SNACKS AND JOIN US.
SEE SOCIAL MEDIA FOR FILM DETAILS
OR CALL US ON 01782 498480

CFLP School Term and Holiday Dates 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025

INSET DAYS 1 AND 2: Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd September 2025 (Staff only)

Pupils: Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 24th October

October Half Term Holiday: Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October

INSET DAY 3 Monday 3rd November (Staff only)

Staff and Pupils: Tuesday 4th November – Friday 19 December

Christmas Holiday: Monday 22nd December – Friday 2nd January 2026

Spring Term 2026

Staff and Pupils: Monday 5th January 2026 – Friday 13th February

February Half Term: Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

Pupils: Monday 23rd February – Friday 27th March

Easter Holiday: Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April

| Summer Term 2026

Staff and Pupils: Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May

May Bank Holiday – School Closed: Monday 4th May

Half term: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

INSET DAY 4: Monday 1st June (Staff only)

Pupils: Tuesday 2nd June – Friday 17th July

INSET DAY 5- Monday 20th July (Staff only) Taken as Twilights

Summer Holiday for pupils: Monday 20th July -Monday 31st August 2026

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