

Oxhey Newsletter

A message from Mrs Proffitt.....

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! The summer term is here already and what a fabulous week of sunshine we have enjoyed. I am delighted to be writing to you as the newly appointed Head of School and would like to thank you all for the really warm welcome I've received this week. It's been a real joy to begin to get to know pupils, families, staff and everyone who makes Oxhey such a happy place to learn and grow. I feel extremely privileged to join such a wonderful school community! As a parent myself, I appreciate how crucial it is to know that your child is safe, happy and thriving at school. Having taught for twenty-three years in Staffordshire First Schools, I'm passionate about this special phase of education and securing the very best outcomes for all. The foundation years are so important for the 'here and now' but also for the future - for our children's future. As we embark on the final term of this academic year, we will have a very talented team at Oxhey, who without exception, will continue to work extremely hard to bring out the best in every child. We are all looking forward to a hardworking and enjoyable summer term together with lots of learning and many exciting events in the calendar. Please do come and have a chat with me when you see me out and about around school.

Have a great bank holiday weekend! See you on Tuesday.

Best wishes from Mrs Proffitt and the Oxhey Team.

Class	Attendance	This Week's Winners.....
Sparkly Spiders	99%	Outstanding Owls
Fabulous Foxes	93%	
Terrific Turtles	98%	
Perfect Pandas	99%	
Amazing Alligators	96%	
Marvellous Meerkats	96%	
Outstanding Owls	100%	

School Matters!
Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Our whole school attendance target is 96.4%.
This week, our school attendance was 97.15%

Diary Dates

Bank Holiday Monday

5th May

VE day celebrations

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 Day 9.15-11am

25th June

KS2 Sports Day 9.15-11am

26th June

Summer event

27th June

Careers Week

w/c 30th June

Reports out

3rd July



Thursday 8th May
We celebrate VE day.
Please see further on in the newsletter for all the information.



Rewards and Celebrations



Pupils of the Week & TIGER Learners

LL Alfie, Alice,
Ralph & Alfie
SS Rory & Bella C
PP Lola & Lincoln
AA Jaxon & George N
TT Isaac & Symphony
MM Scarlett & Izzy
OO George B & William
FF Madison & Finley



TT Rockstars

Winning class
Outstanding Owls

1st place

Jack
Freddie
Theo

2nd place

Emma
Ruby R
George M

3rd place

Myla
Annabelle A
Ralphie-Joe

Most improved

Bailey
Millie Br
Robyn



Numbots

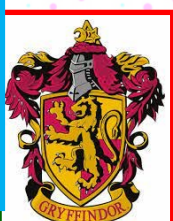
Winning Class

Amazing Alligators

AA - Fran Bo

PP - Edwin

TT - Charlie F



House points

Ravenclaw	372
Slytherin	378
Gryffindor	289
Hufflepuff	421

Ready, Steady, Read!

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



Starts again next week.

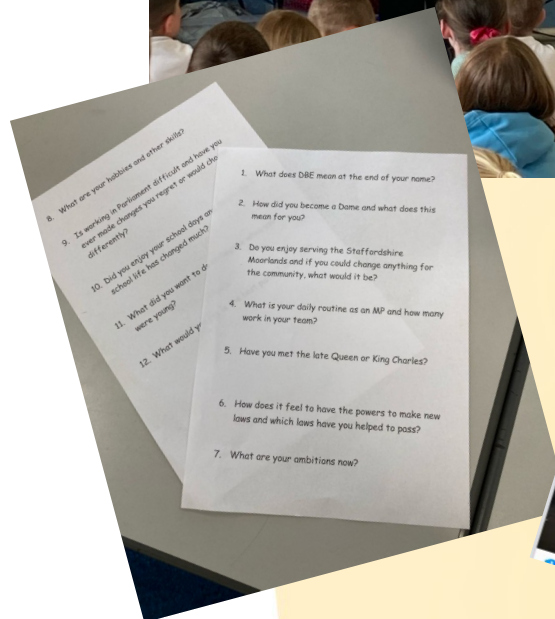


This week our spotlight celebrates A visit from Dame Karen Bradley, MP



This week, our KS2 pupils have enjoyed a very special visit from Dame Karen Bradley, MP for Staffordshire Moorlands. As part of their PSHE lessons, children thought about questions they would like to ask her and listened very carefully to her answers. She has inspired us to follow our interests and passions and reach for the stars, so that we can achieve anything we set our mind to!

A special thank you to Mrs Peach, who



Oxhey have also been very proud to share some Spring-themed artwork with Dame Karen, which she



In the spotlight this week

VE DAY CELEBRATION DAY 2025



Join us to celebrate 80 years since
the end of the Second World War

Thursday 8th May 2025

We will be holding a commemorative day to
celebrate and to show our respect for our war
heroes. We invite children to come into school
wearing **red, white and blue** clothes.

Our School Leadership pupils will be on the play-
ground if anyone has any loose change they wish to
donate. All money collected will go to the Royal
British Legion.

Pre-ordering not required.
There will be no other meal
options available on this day.
Normal lunch 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.

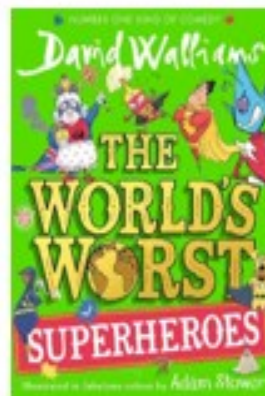
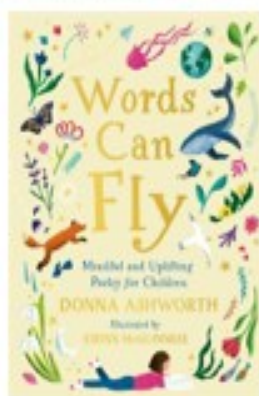
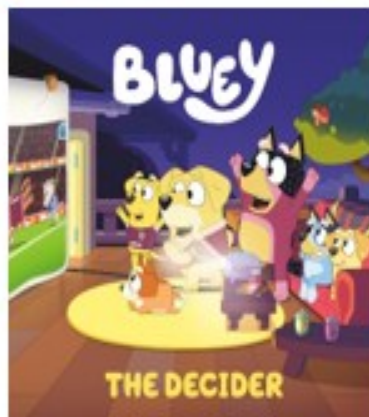
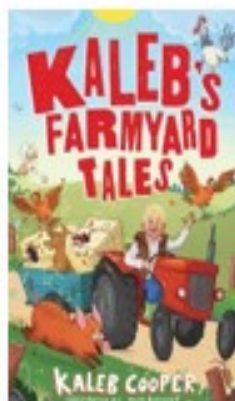
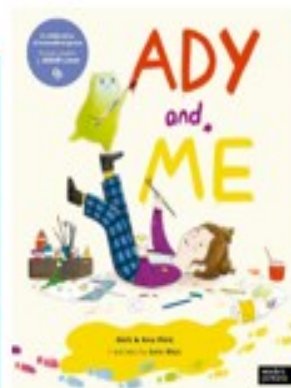
Relevant to all parents and educators, from early years through to secondary school, the #WakeUpWednesday resources can be accessed both on a desktop and via our #WakeUpWednesday app, providing instant and easy access to world-class expertise in the areas they need the most anytime, anywhere.

This week I would like to direct your attention to Managing Screen Time.

[Top Tips for Managing Screen Time | Free Online Safety Guide](#)

What's new in Key Stage 1 & 2?!..

Here are our termly book recommendations!



Keep an eye out for news about...



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 PRAM TO PRIMARY SCHOOL

6 WEEKS
VIRTUAL
TEAMS

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 Pram to Primary might be the course for you!

We offer free 6 week courses for parents of 0-11 year old

Tuesday 6th May 2025
6pm to 8pm
Online Microsoft Teams

To book your place email
Groupwork@staffordshire.gov.uk



FROM PRAM TO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Staffordshire
County Council



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



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