



06/02/2026

# Oxhey Newsletter



## A message from Mrs Proffitt.....

On Wednesday, it was wonderful to showcase our high standards of writing across the school when Mrs Hodson and Mrs Nesbitt visited Oxhey from Kingsfield First School. Our children were incredibly proud to share their writing, creativity, high standards of presentation and beautiful handwriting with our visitors, and their behaviour for learning was exemplary throughout. Well done to everyone! Huge thanks to Mrs Holt, Miss Fryer and our fantastic volunteers who accompanied our KS2 choir to Young Voices yesterday—the atmosphere was electric, and it was a truly memorable experience for our children. Thank you! Today, the school has been buzzing with excitement for Number Day, filled with marvellous mathematical learning, games, activities and puzzles. As we head into the final week before a well-earned break, we have a wonderful week of valuable learning ahead, including exciting plans for Children’s Mental Health Week and Safer Internet Day. I look forward to seeing many of you on Tuesday evening at Parents Evening but for now, enjoy a restful weekend so we can return refreshed and ready to go on Monday!

Best Wishes,

Mrs. Proffitt and Team Oxhey

## Diary Dates

**Children’s Mental Health Week**  
W/C 9th February



**Spring Parents Evening**  
10th February

**Safer Internet Day**  
10th February

**PTFA Valentines Disco**  
12th February  
Y N & R 2.30-3pm  
Y 1 & 2 3.15pm-4pm  
Y 3 & 4 4.15pm– 5.15pm



**Finish for half term**  
13th February

**School re-opens**  
23rd February

**World Book Day**  
5th March



**Mother’s Day EYFS Stay & Play** 1.45-3.10pm  
12th march



**Non-Uniform in exchange for Easter Egg**  
20th March



**Easter Bingo—5pm**  
26th March



**EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade**  
27th March



Class	Attendance
Sparkly Spiders	99%
Dazzling Dragonflies	97%
Terrific Turtles	100%
Perfect Pandas	98%
Amazing Alligators	99%
Marvellous Meerkats	94%
Outstanding Owls	97%
Fabulous Foxes	99%

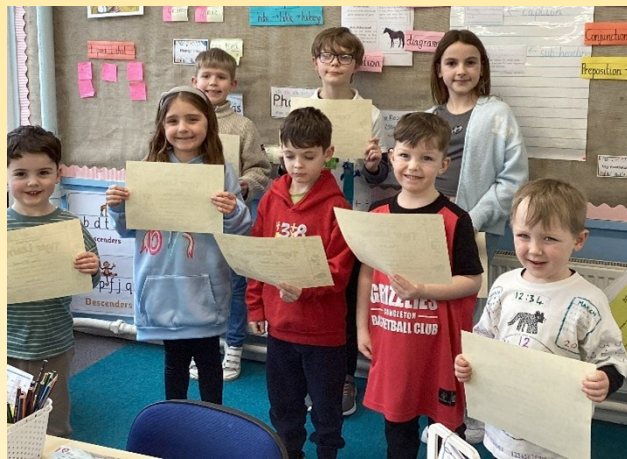
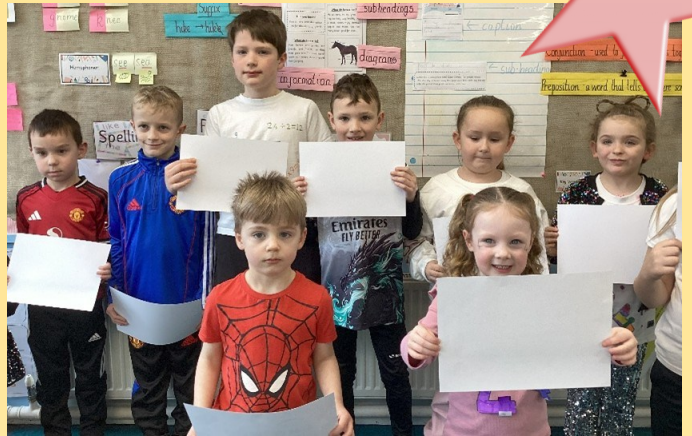
Our whole school attendance target is 96.4%.  
This week, our school attendance was 97.2%

## School Matters!



**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**

# Rewards and Celebrations



**HERE EVERY DAY  
READY  
ON TIME**

**Little Heroes Assemble**



Staffordshire County Council



# In the spotlight this week .....



Thursday 5th  
February





## Mental Health and Wellbeing for Children and Young People

To make it easier for schools, families and professionals to find the right help at the right time, Staffordshire County Council has refreshed its Children's Mental Health Support Pathway. This online resource clearly sets out the support available for children and young people, and how to access it. This includes:

- Local services and referral routes for getting help and more specialist support
- Advice and activities to promote wellbeing
- Digital tools and apps for young people

Please have a look at the updated website: <https://www.staffordshireconnects.info/kb5/staffordshire/directory/advice.page?id=OrWBovMeR5E>

I have also popped a poster on display in the main reception area so you can access the information easily.

## Staff Carpark

Following ongoing risk assessments of the number of vehicles entering our school site during the morning rush and the limited capacity of our staff car park, I have identified that an additional safety measure is now essential. From Monday 9th February, the gates at the end of the main driveway will be locked at 8:55am. I hope this continues to allow parents and carers who hold Blue Badges enough time to park in the disabled bay, support their child to the classroom door, and leave the site safely. Thank you for your co-operation as we continue to prioritise the safety and smooth running of the school site at one of our busiest times of the day.

## Arriving On Time

A reminder that:

- The school gate opens at 8:45am each morning
- Classroom doors open at 8:50am

Arriving on time and ready for the day is incredibly important. A prompt start allows children to settle calmly, organise their belongings, and engage straight away with early learning activities and routines. This positive start sets the tone for a successful day of learning.

## Parent's Evening - Tuesday 10th February

A reminder that appointments are bookable via Arbor.  
Bookings will close at 6pm Friday 6th February.

OXHEY FIRST SCHOOL

# DISCO

THURSDAY 12 FEBRUARY

N&R	2:30-3:00	£3 FOR SNACKS/EXTRAS
Y1&2	3:15-4:00	£5
Y3&4	4:15-5:15	£5

Price includes: Entry, drinks, crisps, sweets, tattoo, face art, DJ & games

PLEASE PROVIDE TO THE OFFICE:

- CORRECT MONEY IN AN ENVELOPE
- CHILDS NAME & CLASS
- ALLERGIES OR INTOLERANCES - PTFA DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THIS DATA IN SCHOOL THEREFORE IT MUST BE PROVIDED HERE

Please make sure you pop the following key dates on your calendar.

Many thanks.

SPRING 1 Jan - Feb 2026 (6 Weeks)	
School Opens	05/01/26
Pantomime in School - A Christmas Carol	08/01/26
Faith in Focus Week	WB 26/01/26
Young Voices Concert (Parents and KS2)	05/02/26
Number Day (Non-Fundraising)	06/02/26
Children's Mental Health Week	WB 09/02/26
Spring Parents Evening	10/02/26
Safer Internet Day	10/02/26
PTFA Valentines Disco YN&R 2:30 -3:00 Y1&2 -3:15-4:00 Y3&4 - 4:15 - 5:15	12/02/26
School Closes for Half Term	13/02/26



# Notice Board

**Families' Health and Wellbeing Service (0-19)**

**NHS** Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust  
A Keele University Teaching Trust

We now have a text messaging service for parents/carers of children aged 0-19 who live in Staffordshire. Get advice from our Public Health nurses (Health Visitors and School Nurses).

**TEXT: 07520 615722**

- Feeding and nutrition
- Child development
- Parenting advice and support
- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Behaviour difficulties
- Family health

**ChatHealth**

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**Families' Health and Wellbeing**

**NHS** Midlands Partnership University Health Foundation Trust

## School Nurse Community drop in

For parents/carers of 5-19's and young people not in education

**2nd Friday of the month**  
13.30-16.30pm

The School Nurse is here to help your child feel healthy, happy and safe during their school years and to get the best from their education. If you have any concerns about their health

**Biddulph Children Centre**  
Albert Street  
Biddulph  
ST8 6DT

We provide a confidential and friendly service

[www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing](http://www.mpft.nhs.uk/services/health-visiting-and-school-nursing)

**THE TEAL TEAPOT SEND MUMS MEET**

## THE TEAL TEAPOT

**A calm space for SEND mums Need a breather?**

The Teal Teapot is a relaxed, friendly meet-up just for mums of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)

It's a little pocket of peace where you can:

- Take time for yourself
- Chat with other mums who just get it
- Feel understood, supported and never alone

There's no pressure, no judgement – just kindness, connection and community.

Please note: These meet-ups are a mums-only space so that you can truly relax – no children attend.

**NEXT MEET UP:**  
BECCIS KITCHEN, 89 ST JOHN'S ROAD, ST8 6LL  
TUESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> FEB FROM 9:30AM

Contact us: [www.tealteapot.co.uk](http://www.tealteapot.co.uk) [facebook](https://www.facebook.com/tealteapot) [instagram](https://www.instagram.com/tealteapot) A project of Our Altered Lives C.I.C

## Healthy Relationships

**Free 3 week course**

Do you ever worry about the atmosphere in your home? We all argue sometimes. Whether that's with our partners, our parents or other family members. Life stresses can put strain on families, leading to conflicts which can impact on children's mental health and long-term outcomes. This free course has been designed to help you find ways to improve your relationships and get on better. Remember, you don't see your arguments. Your kids do.

Booking required through referral only. Please complete a 'Family Hub Referral Form' to book your space.

**Family Hub Staffordshire**

- Right help.
- Right time.
- Right place.

Search Family Hubs Staffordshire to get the support you deserve

## World Book Day

### Fancy Dress Costume Swap!

16th Feb - 5th March

Donate your old costumes from 7<sup>th</sup> Feb  
Swap from 16<sup>th</sup> Feb - 5<sup>th</sup> March

**BIDDULPH LIBRARY**

**GO ALL IN.**

## **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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> May

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

**Pupils:** Tuesday 2nd June - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July

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

**Summer Holiday for pupils:** Monday 20th July -Monday 31<sup>st</sup> 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



**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**