

Oxhey Newsletter



17/04/2026



A message from Mrs Proffitt.....

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! The summer term is here already and what a fabulous first week we have enjoyed at Oxhey with lots of learning, new experiences and achievements to celebrate. We were delighted to welcome Stella on Monday, who brought her Farm on Wheels to inspire our youngest learners. Our KS2 pupils performed 'wheely' well yesterday during Bikeability, developing vital skills such as completing bike checks, signalling, stopping safely, looking behind and cycling confidently while avoiding obstacles. Well done! Today, we were thrilled to welcome pupils and staff from every school in the Children First Learning Partnership for this term's Pupil Forum, where discussions focused on attendance and transition. Our Head Girl, Head Boy and their Deputies did an amazing job welcoming everyone and proudly touring each school around Oxhey, celebrating all the things that make our school such a happy place to learn and grow. Wonderful! 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 take some time to look through the key events and dates coming up this term in this week's spotlight section.

Have a great weekend!

Best wishes from Mrs Proffitt and the Oxhey Team.



Diary Dates

**Bank Holiday Monday
School Closed
4th May**

**Careers Week
w/c 5th May**

**Nursery/Reception
Graduation & Year 4
Leavers Photos
11th May**



**Images Art Exhibition
12th May**

**Inflatable Fun Day
15th May**

**Walk to School Week
WB 18th May**

**Y2 trip to Weaver Hall
20th May**

**Y1 trip to Weaver Hall
21st May**

**Standon Bowers Meeting
for Y4 Parents
21st May**

**Finish for May Half Term
22nd May**

**Inset Day (Staff only)
1st June**

Class

Attendance

Little Ladybirds 97.81%

Sparkly Spiders 96.65%

Dazzling Dragonflies 93.1%

Terrific Turtles 97.94%

Perfect Pandas 94.02%

Amazing Alligators 99.21%

Marvellous Meerkats 96.67%

Outstanding Owls 98.47%

Fabulous Foxes 98.15%

School Matters!



Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Our whole school attendance target is 96.4%.
This week, our school attendance was 97.04%.

In the spotlight this week

SUMMER 1 April - May (6 Weeks)

School Opens	13/04/26
National Offer Day for Primary/Middle School Places	16/04/26
St. George's Day	23/04/26
Staffordshire Day	01/05/26
Bank Holiday Monday - School Closed	04/05/26
Career's Week at Oxhey	WB 05/05/26
KS1 Taste and Sensory Workshop with Edwards and Ward	05/05/26
Nursery/Reception Graduation and Y4 Leavers Photographs	11/05/26
Images Art Exhibition (3.30pm - 5.30pm in the hall. Details will follow shortly)	12/05/26
Inflatable Fun Day at Oxhey with ASM Sports (PE kit to be worn all day)	15/05/26
Walk to School Week	WB 18/05/26
Y2 Trip to Weaver Hall	20/05/26
Y1 Trip to Weaver Hall	21/05/26
Standon Bowers Meeting for Y4 Parents (5.30pm - 6.15pm)	21/05/26
Finish for May Half Term	22/05/26

SUMMER 2 June - July (7 weeks)

INSET DAY	01/06/26
School Opens for Pupils	02/06/26
Y1 Phonics Screening and Y4 Multiplication Tables Check	WB 08/06/26
PTFA Summer Discos	11/06/26
Biddulph Schools 'Bump Up Day' - Transition Day	18/06/26
Health and Sports Week	WB 22/06/26
KS2 Smoothie Bike Activities	22/06/26
EYFS Sports Day 9:15am - 11:00am	23/06/26
KS1 Sports Day 9.15am - 11.00am	24/06/26
KS2 Sports Day 9.15am - 11.00am	25/06/26
PTFA Colour Run	26/06/26
Y4 Residential Visit to Standon Bowers	01/07/26 - 03/07/26
End of Year Annual Reports Out	03/07/26
Meet the Teacher Evening	07/07/26
Cricket Enrichment Day	08/07/26
Year 4 Leaver's Disco	09/07/26
Nursery & Reception Graduation Assembly for Parents (AM and PM)	10/07/26
Leavers' Assembly and Awards Evening 5.30pm - 7.30pm X 2 tickets	13/07/26
Leavers' Assembly and Family Picnic on the Field 1.30pm - 3.00pm	14/07/26
Create Music - Summer Music Concert 2.45pm - 3.15pm	15/07/26
Pupils Finish for Summer - Non-Uniform Day	17/07/26
INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR PUPILS	20/07/26

Price increases from 1st April 2026

On the 1st April, the following price increases came into effect:

- School meals £3.25 per child
- Nursery afternoon charge £21.29 (for children with 15 hours only).



ParentPay

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A gentle reminder that Oxhey is a **cashless school**, and all payments for school trips, Tiger Club sessions, school dinners and other activities must be made through **ParentPay**.

National Offer Day – 16.04.26

Staffordshire primary/middle school offers were released on Thursday 16th April. Online applicants should have received an email on the day. If you did not apply online, you will receive a letter in the post within 5 working days. If you have not received your letter by Friday 24th April, please email admissions@staffordshire.gov.uk

Inflatable Fun Day – New Date



Unfortunately, we took the decision to postpone the Inflatable Day yesterday. However, ASM Sports are now planning to join us on **Friday 15th May** with their incredible *Inflatable Fun Park*, bringing a bespoke bouncing experience for all our children! Throughout the day, pupils will build their resilience, teamwork and growth mindset as they take on an amazing outdoor inflatable adventure filled with fun, laughter and friendly competition. Activities will include an action-packed obstacle course, gladiator duel, sumo suits, hungry hippos, caterpillar tracks and a classic bouncy castle! Please note that some inflatable stations will be reserved for our older children due to safety restrictions.

To make the most of this energetic day, all children should come to school dressed appropriately in their PE kit and trainers.

WOW Awards



Staffordshire Day – Friday 1st May

As part of the celebrations for Staffordshire Day's tenth anniversary, Oxhey has been selected to participate in the Attraction Action Primary Project! We have been partnered with Middleport Pottery to explore its past, present and future, culminating in creative work that will be displayed at Middleport Pottery during May and shared digitally across 'We Are Staffordshire' channels.

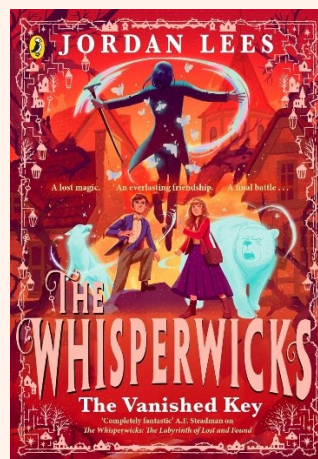
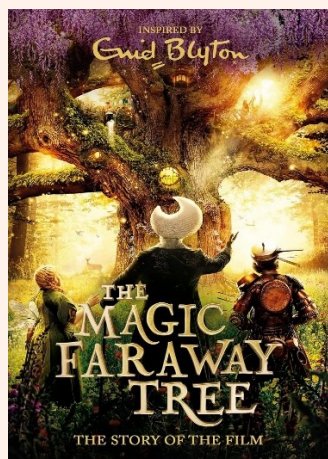
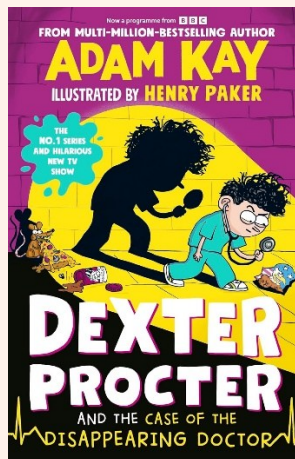
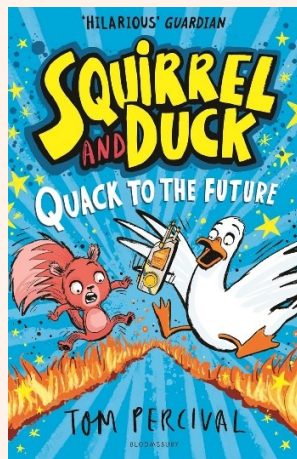
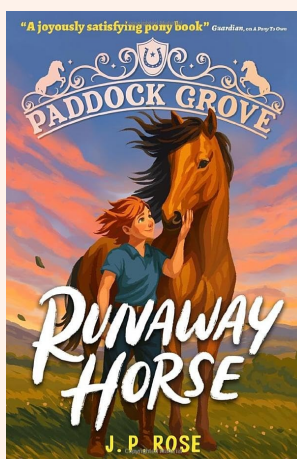
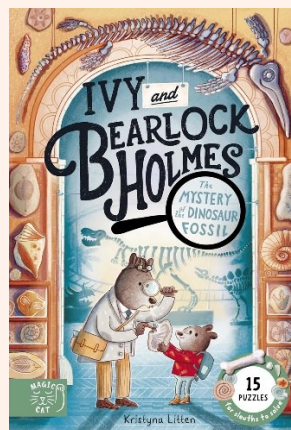
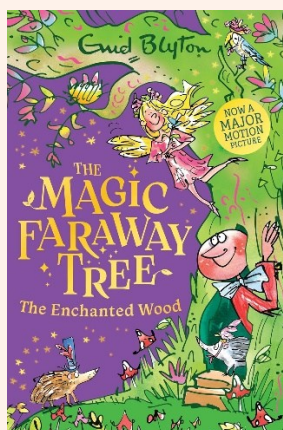
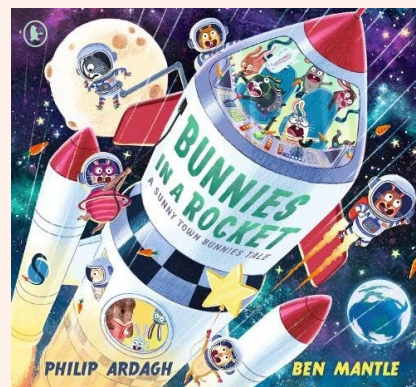
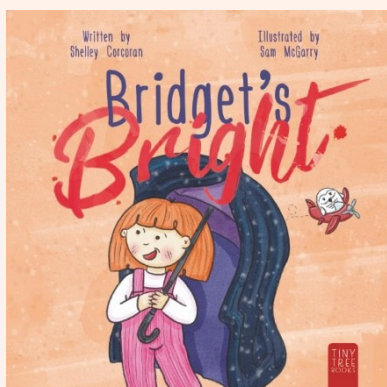
It was lovely to welcome Victoria and Lynne from Middleport Pottery before we finished for Easter. They shared such a fascinating insight into the incredible history of Middleport and Burleigh pottery. It was wonderful to hear how impressed they were with our children, who were a real credit to Oxhey – polite, attentive and full of thoughtful, insightful questions.

Key Stage 1 and 2 are now busy working on the designs using the inspiration shared, and we are very much looking forward to seeing the finished pieces which will be collected next Friday, ready to be displayed within the Middleport Pottery Heritage areas for the official launch on Friday 1st May.

We are also incredibly grateful for the generous gift of free family Heritage Trail passes for all pupils whose work will be displayed, giving them the chance to visit with their families and see their creations showcased as part of the museum collection. It's great to know Oxhey is helping to showcase the creativity, pride and imagination of Staffordshire's young people!

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

Here are our termly book recommendations!



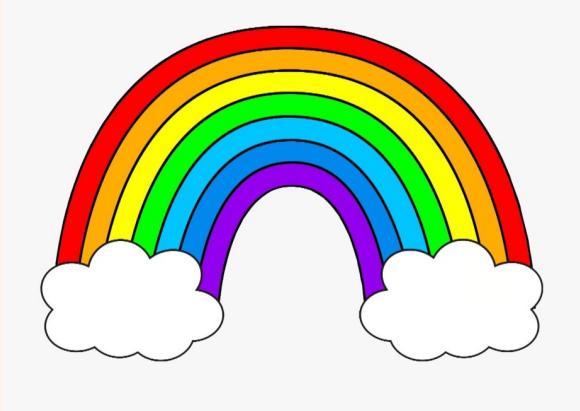
Keep an eye out for news about..
this year's
Summer Reading Challenge!



Summer 2026!



Notice Board



CHATTERLEY KICKS! OPEN FOOTBALL SESSIONS

AGES 5+ UP

School Year Reception & Year 1

SOCCER SATURDAY!

Session Time: 10:30 - 12:00

• FA QUALIFIED AND UEFA LICENSED COACH

JAMES BATEMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Cost £3 per child paid in advance or cash/card on day.
£10 if paid monthly in advance.

Contact the page for more details or to book place!

COME JOIN US AT BIDDULPH FAMILY HUB

29TH APRIL
5:30-7:30PM

9-17 YEAR OLDZ

COMBAT SPORTS
MUSIC

GAMES

SNACKS

CHILL TIME

ARTS & CRAFTS

FUN

FREE TO ATTEND

STAFFS MOORLANDS HUB, ALBERT
STREET, BIDDULPH, ST8 6DT



Families' Health and Wellbeing



Midlands Partnership University
NHS 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**
1.15pm – 4.00pm

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
call in for a chat at →

Staffordshire Moorlands Family Hub

Albert Street

Biddulph

Staffordshire

ST8 6DT

01782 297970

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FREE FAMILY **SUPPORT SESSION**

**With Caudwell Children at Staffordshire Moorlands
Family Hub!**

**Wednesday 22nd April 2026
9:30am - 1:30pm**

Supporting Emotional Regulation & Behaviour

A session exploring how behaviour is communication and understanding why distressed behaviour may occur. The session looks at how to understand what behaviour may be communicating and practical strategies to support your child to understand their emotional regulation.

This session is FREE to attend and no diagnosis is required.

This is the first time Caudwell Children have been able to offer these sessions in person - they are usually delivered online.

To attend you will need to complete an application form at
www.caudwellchildren.com/families/family-support-sessions/

- * Click on the box - 'Book a Family Support Session'
- * Complete the online application form - select session 'Supporting Emotional Regulation & Behaviour (virtual)'
- * For Q21 please enter text - 'STAFFORDSHIRE MOORLANDS FAMILY HUB - 22/04/26'
- * Submit the application.

The Growing Together Team will send you a confirmation e-mail.

Come along on 22nd April at 9.30am to the Family Hub at Staffordshire Moorlands!

Tea & Coffee will be provided.

We look forward to seeing you there!

If you have any queries speak to Donna in the Hub or e-mail growingtogether@caudwellchildren.com.



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

CFLP School Term and Holiday Dates 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026

INSET DAYS 1: Tuesday 1st September 2026 (Staff only)

Pupils: Wednesday 2nd September - Friday 23rd October

October Half Term Holiday: Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October

INSET DAY 2 Monday 2nd November (Staff only)

Staff and Pupils: Tuesday 3rd November - Friday 18th December

Christmas Holiday: Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January 2027

Spring Term 2027

Staff and Pupils: Monday 4th January 2027 - Friday 12th February

February Half Term: Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February

INSET DAY 3 Monday 22nd February (Staff only)

Pupils: Tuesday 23rd February - Thursday 25th March

Easter Holiday: Monday 29th March - Friday 9th April

Summer Term 2027

Staff and Pupils: Monday 12th April - Friday 28th May

May Bank Holiday - School Closed: Monday 3rd May

Half term: Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June

INSET DAY 4: Monday 7th June (Staff only)

Pupils: Tuesday 8th June - Tuesday 20th July

INSET DAY 5- Wednesday 21st July (Staff only)

Summer Holiday for pupils: Wednesday 21st July - Wednesday 1st September 2027

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