

Oughton Prímary & Nursery School July 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can not believe how fast this year has flown by! We have had a very busy year with teaching and learning, trips, special days, clubs and events.

This week has been busy with Transfer Day and Bastille Day for KS2, which was organised by Mrs Lopez, ending with a Theatre production.

End of Year Reports will be given out next week. Year 6, 2, 1 and Reception will also have their formal assessment information. If you would like to discuss this report further, please make an appointment to see the Class Teacher. Please complete our Parent / Pupil Questionnaire via ParentMail by Friday 20th July.

Staff news

Your children met their new teachers this week and Year 6 went to their new Secondary Schools for the day. The staff have met to discuss transition in order to be fully prepared next year.

There will be changes in our Leadership structure from September. I am pleased to announce that Mrs Carroll and Mrs Phillipson will be Assistant Headteachers. Mrs Carroll will be leading the Curriculum and Mrs Phillipson will be leading Inclusion. Mrs Merriman will be teaching full-time next year. Mrs Watkins, after 18 years will sadly be leaving us at the end of the term in order to progress her career further. She has been an invaluable team member over the years in many different roles, supporting children, staff and Parents. We wish her well in her new position. Miss Watkins is also leaving us this year in order to progress her career. She has worked mainly in EYFS and KS1. She will be missed by children and staff. Mrs Boyd, who joined us in December and has worked in Year 3 this year is also leaving us. We thank her for her hard work and wish her well for the future.

Friends of Oughton

Thank you to Friends of Oughton, staff and Parents who organised our Summer Fayre. Our Friends of Oughton worked so hard planning this event. The weather was lovely and the activities and stalls were great and the children who entered the Mini Olympics had a good time. They received their certificates in Assembly this week. It was a fantastic event and raised £1,024.95. Thank you to everyone who supported us.

Yours faithfully, Lisa Clayton Headteacher

Diary Dates

Please look at the school calendar for key dates on our website.

Dates:

Fri 13th July: Bastille Day KS

Tues 17th July: Charity Fun Run 3.15pm.

Wed 18th July: Music

Performance

Wed 18th July 2pm: Year 6

Performance

Thurs. 19th July 6:30pm:

Year 6 Performance

Fri 20th July: Year 6 Special

Day

Tues 24th July 9:30am: Final Assembly for Year 6 and their Parents.

Tues 24th July: Last day and finish at 2pm.

Mon 3rd Sept / Tues 4th Sept INSET Days for staff only.

Wed 5th Sept: Children back to school.

Dinner money

Dinner money **must** be paid up for the end of the term. Please settle your bills.

The cost of a KS2 school dinner will be £2.45 from September and £2.30 for Nursery.

Please ensure you pay in advance.

Attendance

I have commented on each report about attendance as this is vital to enable children to make good progress. Along with the Hertfordshire Attendance Team, we aim for all children to attend 96% or above. Any percentage below 92% begins to be a concern. Below 90% is deemed a significant concern and a persistent absentee.

100% Attendance this term to date:

Well done to: Kaleb, Charlie, Sullivan, Faith, Pippa (Nursery) Oscar, Summer, Millie, James, Blaize, Zye, Albi, Greg, Kay-Den, Elsie (Reception) Ebonie, Amelia, Madison, Destiny, Othelia, Teodora, Sebastian, Cadence, Amelia, Jake, Harleen, Madison, Ethan, Alex, Connor, Daniel (Year 1) Keeleigh, Bethany, Timur, Joshua, Scarlett, Georgia, Macy, (Year 2) Jannate, Peyton, Corey, Rachel, Harry, Ernie, Alfie, Mia, Amy, Chayse, Lulu, Caitlyn (Year 3) Kayo, Megan, Megan, Lewis, Shinead, Henry, Annie (Year 4) Daniel, Jake, Dylan, Indiyah, Bartosz, Alex, Ben (Year 5) James, Jessica, Chloe, Buba, Bailey, Calum, Maddie (Year 6)

Congratulations to these children

100% over the whole year to date!

Elsie (Reception), Ethan, Connor (Year 1) Macy (Year 2) Ernie, Mia (Year 3) Kayo, Megan G, Henry (Year 4) Jessica, Bailey (Year 6)

I am very impressed. Well done.

Road safety

We have continued to promote road safety this term. Year 6 have attended a phone distraction workshop. We launched our 'Park and Stride' at the Westmill Community Centre with Buster the dinosaur. Remember, you can park at the Community Centre and walk to school, this will help ease congestion on the roads near the school. We promoted Clean Air Day, focusing on keeping ourselves healthy. We have submitted our work in evidence towards the Bronze Modeshift Stars Award. We will keep you up to date with this. Keep walking everyone and stay fit!

Governor Update

Thank you to Mrs Matthews who has come to her end of term of office as a Parent Governor. She has worked tirelessly over the last 4 years, focusing on budget, curriculum and results. She will be missed greatly by our Governors and staff. We will be looking to recruit a new Parent Governor in the autumn term. We are looking for a Parent with a financial background and experience. If you are interested, please let Mrs Clayton know in September.

The Governors have been working hard this term visiting Oughton, speaking to children and subject leaders and providing the rest of the Governing Body with a report. They have reported on English, Maths, Pupil Voice, Design and Technology, Computing, Modern Foreign Languages, PE and Sports Premium, Pupil Premium Strategy and Music. Rev Jane Mainwaring has attended our Progress Review with the LA.

Thank you to everyone for their continued dedication to our school.