

# Oughton Prímary & Nursery School Week beginning 23rd January 2023

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that everyone is coping with the cold weather now! Please ensure that your child has a **named** coat plus hat, scarf and gloves in school every day.

#### **Attendance**

We continue to meet with Parents to discuss attendance. We send out weekly ParentMails regarding any child who is below 90% attendance, in order to keep Parents fully informed. We also meet with KS 2 children in order to see how we can support them further.

#### **Strike Action**

Please see letter sent via ParentMail on 23rd January regarding this.

#### **Dinner Debts**

KS 2 children - dinners must be paid in advance. Some Parents have a dinner debt and this needs to be cleared. Our Office staff are spending a lot of time chasing dinner money. If your child has a debt over £10, they will not be able to have any more dinners until this is paid; you will need to send in a packed lunch.

#### Working in partnership with local support service

We are pleased to announce that we are now working in a closer partnership with a local support service, SADA (Stevenage Against Domestic Abuse) who aim to signpost and support people experiencing domestic abuse. We would like to take this opportunity to welcome Theresa who will be joining us every Thursday morning from 26th January. If you feel you would benefit from her support, please feel free to pop in to see her through our main office between 08.30am and 12pm on Thursdays or book a time through Mrs Woollon. Please ring Mrs Woollon or email admin@oughton.herts.sch.uk

### Wellbeing and Clubs

The children have been exploring how to keep themselves healthy in different ways to maintain their wellbeing. We have been talking about Clubs and extending our hobbies. I am so pleased with the uptake of children taking part in our Clubs both lunchtime and after school. Our lunchtime Library Clubs are popular - it is great to see children enjoying reading and borrowing books; our Green Club alongside our Allotment group, work hard to promote small ways we can make a difference to our world; the children have been excited about both Recorder Club and Coding Club, plus we have many children who attend a variety of sporting clubs after school. We have a number of sports competitions booked this term. We of course, also offer many extra curriculum clubs to support learning such as Homework, Reading, Maths (Booster and Third Space Learning) and English. As well as these, it is always lovely to see children joining in the activities with Beavers, Cubs, Scouts plus the Hitchin Brass Band who use our facilities and offer great opportunities for socialising and learning beyond the curriculum. If your child is interested in any clubs, please contact the Office to find out if there are any spaces. Children do not need to book for any Lunchtime

Yours sincerely

Clubs.

## Lisa Clayton





Fun in the playground!

Dates will be published on our school website: www.oughton.herts.sch.uk

www.oughton.herts.sch.uk <u>Dates</u>

**27th Jan** - Coffee morning 8.45 - 10am **8th Feb** - Open evening for Parents.

9th Feb - Open evening for Parents.

Mon 13th Feb - Fri 17th Feb Half term

Mon 13th Feb & Tues 14th Feb - Yr 6 Boosters 9.30 - 12pm

23rd Feb - Yr 2 Parents SATs workshop 24th Feb - Tea party for Parents/Carers 2.15pm (tickets will need to be prebooked)

**28th Feb** - Coffee morning 8.45 - 10am **2nd Mar** - Friends of Oughton Disco

### **SADA Domestic Abuse Service**

Providing support, advice and guidance to all victims and survivors of domestic abuse.

For more information:

Please ask to speak to Theresa (Thursdays 08.30-12 in school) Or call 01438 242666 – Press 7 and ask for SADA Or email us at <u>SADA@stevenage.gov.uk</u>









Library Club

