

Old Oak Primary School Newsletter 14th September 2018



It was very exciting to have our first visit from students from **Imperial College** in school this week. We are the first school in London where students will be supporting the children with science investigations. This will happen regularly throughout the year — each class will have at least one visit. For the school to work alongside such a well-known and respected university is a real bonus and we cannot wait to see the results. We hope to inspire many of our children to consider a career in this area.

Otherwise we are having a really interesting time training today. I am always telling the children that learning does not stop when you leave school. Teachers are continually learning during their working life – you never know it all as a teacher! We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

Please look below at the news about ParentPay, Mike from QPR FC and the reminders about Harvest Festival, Transition Club and the MacMillan coffee morning on the 28th September.

Have a lovely weekend! Mr. Brown

PARENT PAY

Old Oak Primary is moving to a cashless system. School meals are paid for via Parentpay which came into operation last September. This payment method will now be extended to include school trips. In order to register, all parents who do not already pay for school meals via Parentpay will need an activation code. Letters regarding payment for trips via parentpay will go out by next Friday. Please look out for these letters. They are important and should make it much easier for you to pay for things in the school.

SPORTS CLUBS AFTER SCHOOL

Mike from QPR FC will be with us every day this year and will work with each class in the afternoons. We are very grateful for his expertise.

He will also run a sports club after school from 3.15-4.15pm. His timetable will look like this:

Monday – Key Stage 2 multi-sports Years 5 & 6
Tuesday – Boys football team training
Wednesday – Girls football team training
Thursday – Key Stage 1 multi-sports
Friday - Year 3 and 4 multi-sports

We will register for these clubs next week. Please look out for the letter.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

This Autumn we are looking to hold a harvest festival in school. This means that we will collect food in school which we will give to those in need on the estate. To help with this, can we ask that you bring in tins of food, pasta, rice, biscuits and anything else which will stay fresh. We will put boxes at the gates where you can leave the food when you bring your child to school. In October, children and the PTA will sort the food out and take them to people's houses.

TRANSITION CLUB - REMINDER

We will be contacting the families which use the Transition Club next week. This club runs from 3.15-4.00pm to allow children to move from the school to the community centre to take part in an activity there. This will continue this year but we will be charging £5.00 per family per week for this. If you would like more information please see Carina Or Lydia.

On September 28th our new PTA will be holding a Macmillan Coffee morning to raise vital funds for the Macmillan cancer support team. This is an amazing charity that helps to support cancer patients and their families during the most difficult of times which unfortunately affects millions of people.

This will also double up as an information session to allow you all to meet our new PTA team and hear of all the exciting new things they have planned to help our school.

So come along for a cake and a cuppa after the school run, we look forward to seeing you all there.

LEARNING THIS WEEK IN CLASSES -

Each week we will let you know about some of the learning in class so you can talk about this with your child. All of your children will have begun a new class reading book this week. Ask them about this and what has happened so far.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 17th **September –** Harvest Festival boxes will be placed at the gates of the school. Please bring in any spare food

Monday 17th September - staff meeting – looking at writing across the school

Monday 17th September – Bubble and Squeak on Erconwald Street after school

Tuesday 18th **September** – The staff are completing the School Development Plan for this academic year after school

Wednesday 19th September – Mr. Brown has a meeting with all the other headteachers in Hammersmith and Fulham in the morning

Friday 21st September – the boys and girls' football teams are playing their first match

Monday 24th September – Imperial College students come in to work with Laurel class

Wednesday 26th September – Curriculum and Achievement committee meeting after school for governors

Friday 28th September – Macmillan Coffee Morning in the old nursery in the morning