



Old Oak is amongst the top 3% of schools for progress in the country!

All parents should receive a copy of the letter addressed to the school from the Department of Education. The letter is from the Secretary of State for Education and congratulates the school for having some of the best progress scores in the country! In fact, Old Oak is in the top 3% of schools for progress last year in the Key Stage 2 Year 6 tests, including writing which is assessed by the teachers. This is wonderful news for the school and a deserved recognition of the hard work of all the staff at the school in these difficult times.

“Thank you for producing such high standards through your hard work and professionalism, and congratulations again to you and your staff for all they have achieved”

Secretary of State for School and the Minister of State for School Standards

This is great news for the weekend!

Mr. Brown

AIR POLLUTION

There is a lot of news about children and the impact of air pollution. We are fortunate to have very quiet roads by the school and a large park area next door. All this helps to reduce the air pollution that we all breathe every day.

We are keen to raise awareness of this killer issue. Did you know that air quality is much worse inside cars than outside, even in the same street?

- Get out of the car and walk to school when at all possible.
- Avoid main roads and walk on quieter side streets where the air is a lot cleaner.

For more information, please see the article below:

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2019/feb/05/uk-parents-worryingly-unaware-of-damage-air-pollution-is-doing-children>

CHEWING GUM AND SWEETS

Can we remind all parents that we do not allow chewing gum or sweets in school under any circumstances

NEXT THURSDAY, 14th FEBRUARY IS A NON-UNIFORM DAY

The school and PTA have arranged that next Thursday is a non-uniform day. Please bring in £1.00 on the day. Many thanks.

REMINDERS



- **VALENTINE CARDS FOR SALE IN THE RECEPTION**
- **TIMES TABLES ROCKSTARS** - To help our children develop their confidence in times tables go to <https://trockstars.com/>
- **LEGO AT HOME ? IS IT BEING USED? IF NOT, BRING IT INTO SCHOOL**
- **SCHOOL UNIFORM**- available in the school shop
- **SCHOOL LUNCHES** – all school lunches must be paid for before your child eats. We cannot support children who choose to eat school lunches on certain days because they like the food.
- **TWITTER! SIGN UP TODAY!** You can download the app free today, and search @Old_oakprimary.
- **TRIPS WILL NOW BE PAID FOR VIA PARENT PAY.** Ask at the office for more details



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 13th February- Reception classes assembly

Thursday 14th February – the last day of the half term for children - non-uniform day

Friday 15th February – school is closed for a staff training - half term begins

Monday 25th February – school begins again