



Old Oak Primary School Newsletter 19th December 2019

It was reassuring to see that the children at Old Oak again make the best progress of all the maintained schools in the local area of Hammersmith and Fulham in 2019. This consistency of good progress scores, which remain almost exclusively above the national average, or well above average year after year, is proof that a truly inclusive school can be effective over time. It is a credit to everyone involved that the school avoids those big variations in progress scores and is great news as we move into another calendar year.

Reading – above average +2.5

Writing – average +1.5

Maths – above average +2.0

Sadly the school counsellor recently left the school and after a discussion with myself agreed to put into words what makes, in her opinion, Old Oak a special place. Here is what she wrote:

"Old Oak Primary is a school where each child (and their family) receives individual, tailored support from genuinely caring teachers who get to know their specific personalities, interests and needs. Everyone is welcome. Diversity and difference is embraced. And the whole community benefits.

It's a big, warm family and the head and staff give generously of themselves so that every child has the best chance to succeed. Old Oak is a comfortable, kind, rewarding place where learning is real and practical as well as challenging, fun and satisfying, for all."

What a lovely way to end the year!

School begins again on TUESDAY 7th JANUARY 2020!

Have a great holiday everyone!

Mr. Brown

Hello Parents, as the year comes to an end I want to thank each and every one of you who has supported the PTA and helped us to organise events/school trips and provide presents that our children otherwise would not have received.

Thank you to everyone who attended our last event of the year, it was very successful, before the event the PTA went to every class and delivered books and games to the children for their classes to enjoy.

We hope all children enjoy their break and look forward to seeing you all in 2020. Please don't forget that tomorrow is own clothes day and we ask every child to bring in their £1, it's a small sum of money but together makes a huge impact on the funds available to the school so please don't forget to bring yours along.

Merry Christmas and a happy new year to all. Sarah, Jane and Louisa x

PLAYGROUND BAGEL PROJECT- REMINDER

From Monday, 20th January, the school will provide a bagel for every child who would like one. These will be available from **8.40-8.50am** in the key stage 1 playground. The gate will open 5 minutes earlier at **8.40am**. Children will eat the bagel before going into class. If it is raining, the children will be welcomed into the lower hall. The bell will ring as usual at 8.55am. The gate in the key stage 2 playground will remain closed at the start of the day from January 20th.

There will continue to be the Breakfast Club for those who need child care from 8.00am.

REMINDER - OLD OAK IS A NUT FREE SCHOOL