



Old Oak Primary School Newsletter 6th December 2019

Children's writing at Old Oak

I have had the privilege to read some of the children's writing this week as part of the monitoring process. It was a pleasure to see the quality of the work in the books. The writing was coherent, wonderfully neat, exciting and children were using ambitious structures and vocabulary. By Year 6, the writing was of a very high standard and the effort from teachers and children across the school to reach this place is so impressive. What I really liked was the individuality of the writing. You can see the child in the writer. The writing was not formulaic and structured but allows the children to use and play with words and expressions themselves. The school works closely with the *Centre for Literacy in Primary Education* for English. Each class reads a whole book together. The book is high quality children's literature and is a stimulus for excellent writing. I have seen the evidence of this in the children's books! For more information about how we teach English, visit the CLPE website below:

<https://clpe.org.uk/>

Secret Christmas Cinema- Friday 13th December

The PTA is organizing a festive film night for the children. There will be free snacks and drinks as part of the entry ticket- £3.00 a family. There will be a raffle and Santa Claus will be making a visit during the film as well! Please buy tickets at the front reception.

Santa Run 2019

I have been at the KS1 gate collecting for the Santa Run I am doing on Sunday, 8th December for the Children's Literacy Charity. Many thanks for those who have sponsored me to support this charity which helps disadvantaged children with their reading.

<https://thechildrensliteracycharity.org.uk/>



Have a good weekend.

Mr. Brown

DECEMBER EVENTS

Please look out for the events taking place in school in December.

Wednesday 11th December– *Old Oak Goes Musical* - a concert of the music in the school at 2.30pm

Friday 13th December – PTA Festive Film Night (3.30-5.30pm)

Friday 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 16th December – Choir attend the Hammersmith and Fulham Christmas Concert

Tuesday 17th December – Nativity for families with young children (10.00am)

Wednesday 18th December – Nativity for parents and carers (10.00am)

Wednesday 18th December – Christmas lunch in school

Thursday 19th December – Class parties

Friday 20th December – school finishes at 1.45pm

REMINDER - OLD OAK IS A NUT FREE SCHOOL

THERE ARE STILL CHILDREN BRINGING IN FOOD IN THEIR PACKED LUNCH WHICH CONTAIN NUTS.

Our “Nut-Free Policy” means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Sandwiches with Nutella or chocolate spread
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- **Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)**
- Cakes made with nuts

REMINDER - TERM DATES 2019-2020

I wanted to inform you of a change in the term dates for the summer term 2020.

Summer term will begin a day earlier and finish on Friday 17th July.

First day of Summer term 2020 – Monday 20th April

Last day of the Summer term 2020 – Friday 17th July

