

Old Oak Primary School Update – Friday 9th December 2022



Dear families,

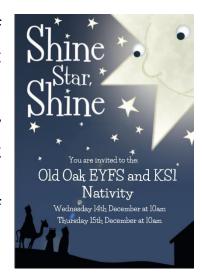
I mentioned last week about the bugs around in the community - Scarlet Fever and StrepA – and ask that we all be extra careful in the coming week. Letters have been sent out this week about these - please read them again. Take no chances and, remember high temperatures in young children can be very dangerous. We will call you if your child becomes unwell. Please:

- Do NOT give your child Calpol before school
- Check children for rashes before school- whilst also checking cheeks and tongue.
- Collect your child immediately if he/she becomes unwell at school

THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL

The Christmas lunch was as good as ever. Thank you to Maggie and her team in the kitchen for preparing this for everyone. The children seemed to enjoy the disco after school too. Our school choir were in Hammersmith practising for the Festival of Song and the concert takes place next Wednesday.

This is the same day as the first Nativity performance – *Shine, Star, Shine!* We look forward to seeing all the families of children in the nursery, reception and key stage 1 at one of the performances.



PAYMENTS TO SCHOOL

We have set up our new payment system SchoolMoney and it is ready to go. However our old payment system is not communicating information effectively with SchoolsMoney so we are having to set up everyone's account manually. This will be completed next week and you will hear from Kelly, our school business manager then.

FRIENDS OF OLD OAK

The friends groups continues to meet and will hold their last meeting before the holiday on Thursday, 15th December at 9.00am. The group expects to discuss the roles and responsibilities to be up and running for mid-January. If you would like to get involved, come to the main reception on Thursday morning.

INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT SEEN BY CHILDREN ONLINE

Unfortunately we know that children of all ages are watching material on the computer, tablet or phone which is completely inappropriate for their age group. This may be on Youtube or TikTok or another platform. Please check what your children watch, particularly for violent, scary or sexual content.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- Monday 12th December Key Stage 2 Christmas Singalong for families 2.30pm (year 3- year 6)
- Wednesday 14th December Nativity performance for families at 10.00am
- Thursday 15th December Nativity performance for families at 10.00am
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 Class Christmas Parties in the afternoon. Please send in a small amount of food to share and make sure that any food prepared at home contains a list of all ingredients. No nuts are allowed in school. Look out for more information on your class page on Seesaw.

School finishes next week on Friday 16th December at 1.45pm. This is a non-uniform day.

School begins again for children on **Thursday 5**th **January 2023**, as the school is closed for staff training on Wednesday 4th January.

Spaces available in our Family Group

Old Oak Family Group meets every Thursday morning to talk, play, listen, have fun and work on change

What is Family Group?

- A weekly group made up of 5-8 families and run by a trained member of our team in school time
- Families help families, sharing ideas and learning from each other
- The sessions use targets and games as a vehicle for change



Children who come to Family Group:

Have more confidence

- Find friendships easier
- Have a better school experience
- Are happier at home

Family Group really helps! Since joining, my son has become more confident, our relationship has improved and he is happier in school.



Ask in school or contact Monica Jato - 07782 331522

*ATTENDANCE / PUNCTUALITY *

Due to the increased illness we will resume with the attendance and punctuality information in January.

BOOK OF WEEK – 8+ YEAR OLDS

The recommended book this week is **A Christmas Carol** by Charles Dickens. You have seen a version of the film, now read the original book. The review says: The most famous Christmas story in the world - Charles Dickens' beloved book A Christmas Carol. Available at Shepherds Bush library, on Kindle or to listen to on Audible, or from £ 5.99 in bookshops.

Have a lovely and peaceful weekend!

Mrs Beardsworth and Mr. Brown