





Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday, 11th October 2024

Dear families,

We have had a wonderful week here at Old Oak and year one and year two have visited the Natural History Museum, they had a fantastic time and made us all very proud. Many thanks to the families that joined us- this makes trips possible.

Please remember, the school will be closed for a staff training day on Friday 25th October.

PARENT TEACHER MEETINGS

We would like to invite families in for parent/teacher meetings next **Tuesday 15**th **October**, where you will have the opportunity to discuss how your child is settling in to the new school year and ask any questions you may have. It is very important that you attend and see hpw you can support at home. To make an appointment please see your child's class teacher or communicate via seesaw.

RECEPTION CLASS OPEN MORNINGS SEPTEMBER 2025

We are holding some open mornings for parents in our nursery or other families in the community who would like to visit the school in preparation for September 2025. This is a chance to get to know the school and see what makes Old Oak the special place it is. These will take place on Tuesday 15th at 9.15am and Thursday 17th October at 1.30pm. Please let any friends or family know these dates as any family is welcome on these tours.

SEESAW

We use seesaw as a communication tool for you to keep in contact with your children's class teacher. This is also where the children's home learning is saved and messages are sent that are applicable to your class. Please ensure you regularly check seesaw and engage as much as you can.

Feedback and spreading the word!

We will be meeting the governors of the school for a meeting later next week. They have asked for **feedback from staff and families** about how the start of the new academic year has been- please email any responses you would like shared to head@oldoak.lbhf.sch.uk

Please ensure these are generic- anything about your child or an issue regarding anything of a sensitive nature needs to be discussed in a different way which we are sure you are aware.

Also, on the **school website** you are able to write **comments on the guest book** page- this is approved by school and then posted for everyone to read- there are some wonderful comments and we would like more!

We are constantly looking for ways to let the local community know about our wonderful school and attract new families, we have had a **new leaflet designed** which we are really pleased with. If you work or volunteer anywhere locally and would be happy to take some **leaflets to share** please let Joanne know. Many thanks. The leaflet is displayed in the front reception area for you to see if you so wish.

<u>ATTENDANCE</u> – OUR TARGET IS 96% FOR THE SCHOOL

The attendance figures for the top classes is excellent this week. In key stage 1, Olive class achieved 98%, and in key stage 2, Magnolia achieved an amazing 99%. Both classes have exceeded our school target – well done!

<u>PUNCTUALITY</u>— Acacia class had the best punctuality in key stage 1 again this week, with only 2 late children. In key stage 2, Magnolia won again, with 3 lates. Well done to both classes.

Please remember if you miss the key stage one or two gates that close at 8:55, you just buzz at the gate **and your child must see Joanne at front desk**. If they do not they will not be marked in the register- we have to know who is in the building at all times. It is important for fire safety, health and safety and they will not be recorded for a school lunch if they receive one. **Please DO NOT enter the corridors or classrooms at the start or end of the day.**

If you are late in the morning for the early year's gate- this closes at 9 am, you MUST stay at the gate until you are let in at 9:20- we do not have the staff to go back and forth and open and close the gate when they should be settling and interacting with the children who are on time. Many thanks for your support here.

Mrs Beardsworth met with our new attendance officer from the local authority, she will be helping some of our families improve their child/ren's attendance. It is so important that your children attend school every day unless they are unwell. If you want to take your child out of school in term time for a holiday this will be unauthorised unless it is exceptional circumstances. The attendance officer will be in touch with you about the steps the local authority may take.

SCHOOL UNIFORM: It is now available the first **FRIDAY of EVERY MONTH.**

Most children look incredibly smart and we always appreciate families that follow the uniform policy. Please remember the children should not wear jewellery- this is a health and safety issue.

Now the weather is cooler, please ensure your child has a jacket, please name thiswe have a lot of lost property and we know how much coats cost you- it's a shame to lose them!

REMINDER - HARVEST FESTIVAL

As usual at this time of the year, we are gathering food to share in our community for the harvest festival. Please bring in any tins of food, packets of pasta, rice, biscuits or any other packet goods which will keep for some time. We usually have two or three tables of food so please consider helping out again this year. At the end of the month we will share this with families around the East Acton.

BLACK HISTORY PARTY - WEDNESDAY 22nd OCTOBER 3.30-4.40pm:

We will be celebrating Black History with a party, to showcase artwork the children produce, combined with music, dance, traditional dress and food. We would be grateful for any food donations. If you are able to make something to share, please drop this at school on the morning of the 22nd Oct, with ingredients clearly labelled. Please note we can accept no nut dishes due to allergies. It would be fantastic if you could share a little about the traditions of the dish and the country where it originates. Children can come to school on the 22nd dressed in either party clothes or traditional dress.

UPCOMING DATES:

Tuesday 15 th October	Parent/teacher meetings	1.00 – 6.00pm
Wednesday 16 th October	Year 6 Class assembly	10.10am lower hall
Tuesday 22 nd October	Black History Party	3.30-4.30pm lower hall
Wednesday 23 rd October	Year 5 Class assembly	10.10am lower hall
Friday 25 th October	Staff training day	School closed

For photos of the week, please check the school's Instagram page.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Beardsworth and Mr. Brown

Find as at:



@oldoakprimaryschool



Black History Party

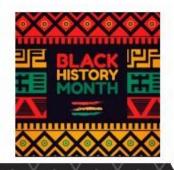
You can wear traditional dress or party clothes! Tuesday 22nd October

3.30 - 4.30pm

Join us for music, food, face painting and dancing!

Join us to celebrate Black History Month!

Everyone welcome!



If any families are able to donate traditional food dishes this would be much appreciated. These can be dropped to school on the morning of the party, with ingredients clearly labelled. Please note we cannot accept nut dishes.



Flu immunisation for pupils in school years Reception - Year 11

DEAR PARENT/CARER,

The flu vaccine is being offered at your child's school again this autumn/winter.

To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click here:

https://nwl.schoolyaccination.uk/flu/2024/hammersmithandfulham

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form so that we can record your wishes.

THE NASAL FLU VACCINE

- Protects your child from the flu
- Protects your family and friends from the flu (especially those who are elderly, young babies, or those who have serious health conditions)



- √ Is free
- √ The nasal flu vaccine is very effective at reducing the spread of flu

THE IM FLU VACCINE



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is gelatine-free. Please see our Frequently Asked Questions for more information.

You only need to complete one consent form for each child. If you later change your mind, please call your local team. If your child has this immunisation elsewhere after you have submitted the consent form, you MUST inform Vaccination UK rather than the school.

We understand that you may have questions about the vaccine. For more information, please go to our website, where you can find a list of FAQ's, as well as details of our community catch up clinics. We also have some FAQ's enclosed below.

You can also find informational videos on our YouTube channel, including subtitled versions for other languages.

Yours Faithfully,

Your Local Immunisation Team

Vaccination UK



Hammersmith and Fulham

Immunisation Team Contact Details



hammersmith.fulhamf@v-uk.co.uk



0203 640 7501

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USEFUL INFO



We try to come to your child's school twice. If they are absent or unable to be vaccinated at school, you will need to attend one of our community clinics for the vaccine. Details of these can be found on our website or you can contact the team above.



PLEASE NOTE the flu vaccine will NOT be available to otherwise healthy children after December 13th at all, and so we urge you to return the consent form as soon as possible in case we are not able to visit your child's schools for a second visit this year.



Your consent will remain in place for the entire flu season. If your child misses a first visit, you do not need to complete a second form.

USEFUL LINKS



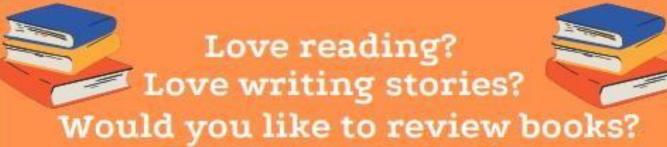
www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk



PRIVACY POLICY

Our 2024/25 policy can be viewed here: www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy

For data protection queries, please contact: dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk



CHATTER BOOKS

BOOK CLUB
AT SHEPHERDS BUSH LIBRARY



SATURDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER SATURDAY 23RD NOVEMBER 13:00 - 14:00

Please register your interest at the desk or by calling us on 0208 753 3842

Games Club

At Shepherds Bush Library

Every Wednesday



Come along and join in the fun For ages 7 - 11