





Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday 14th March 2025

Dear families,

This is a final reminder about **PARENT MEETINGS** next week. This is an important opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress, celebrate what is going well and understand the areas for development and what you can do at home to support the school. Please make sure you have signed up for a meeting or if you are unable to make the time, contact the class teacher for a possible alternative time.

Class	Date	Location
Nursery	Monday 17 th March	Nursery department
Reception	Tuesday 18 th March	Reception department
Year 1-6	Tuesday 18 th March	Lower hall

READING CHALLENGE

In the sharing assembly we have awarded books to our star fundraisers who have made a big contribution to the total in school of £637.00. We hope this total will go up after a contribution from the sponsors and money from children that is still coming into school. That is a wonderful effort by everyone and those families in particular. Some of the children were reading up to 6 hours a day during the school week. Amazing!

SCIENCE WEEK

You may have seen classes of children out picking up litter on the Scrubs this week as part of the environmental change focus. The children of Old Oak have contributed to significant change of the Scrubs in recent years, the play area being one of them, so it is fantastic to see them improving the local environment once again.

The children have also been busy in class learning about endangered species and we learnt about some amazing facts about them.

Did you know...?

- Penguins have no teeth
- Whales can grow as long as three double decker buses and their hearts are as big as a Volkswagen car
- Monarch butterflies migrate from North America to Mexico, over 2,800 miles
- A sloth eats once a week and spends the rest of the week digesting the food
- Elephants lose their trunks to be made into jewellery
- Orangutangs live in trees

We can't wait for the designs for the music walls and will share the winners in next week's newsletter.

EYFS DUCKLING DISCO – WEDNESDAY 19th MARCH

The Early Years Duckling Disco takes place next Wednesday. This is always a fun time for everyone involved and any money raised is going to such a good cause. We are still looking for donations for the raffle – please donate any prizes to the front desk. And please buy some raffle tickets. The draw will take place in the sharing assembly next Friday.

RED NOSE DAY – FRIDAY 21st MARCH

We will be supporting Comic Relief next Friday and we encourage all children to wear a splash of red (perhaps a red hair bow, red t-shirt or a red nose) and bring a small donation.

MOTHERS DAY BREAKFAST – WEDNESDAY 26th APRIL

We would like to celebrate the role of mothers and other significant females in our children's lives. We invite you to our Mother's Day Breakfast on Wednesday 26th April, from 8.00-8.45am. This will take place in the downstairs hall where you can enjoy breads and pastries and read a book with your child. If you would like to attend, please sign up with Joann on front desk.

LONDON MARATHON- APRIL 27th

After Miss McCartney's heroics last year, Madison is now running the London Marathon in 2025. This is a real challenge and we wish her the best in her preparation. Madison is looking to improve the school outside equipment in the nursery with her donations so please get involved at the link below at the end of the newsletter.

ATTENDANCE – OUR TARGET IS 96% FOR THE SCHOOL

Attendance in the spring term can be lower we would like as the last bugs of the winter move around the school. The attendance is low again this week in most classes, even Magnolia class. To reach our school target by the end of the year, we hope that there is a big improvement between now and July.

FINAL REMINDER - PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Thank you for those parents who have volunteered already to support the children with different activities around the school. As the resources for schools get more and more

expensive and the money gets tighter, it is sometimes difficult to provide all we can for the children as often as we would want to. If you are interested, please let Ms McCartney, Mrs B or Mr Brown know.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS' HOODIES:

If you would like to purchase a hoodie for your **Year 6** child please follow the instructions below. The deadline to order a hoodie is 13th May 2025.

https://shop.fizz-group.co.uk/

Our School Unique ID is: J31973YR6

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 17 th and Tuesday 18 th March	Parent meetings		
Monday 17 th March	Year 2 visit Gunnersbury Museum		
Wednesday 19 th March	EYFS Ducking disco after school – Nursery and Reception		
	Year 5 Class Assembly 10:10 for a 10:15am start		
Friday 21 st March	Comic Relief – Red Nose Day Wear a splash of red and bring a small donation		
Wednesday 26 th March	Year 4 class assembly 10:10 for a 10:15am start		
	Mother's day breakfast 8.00-8.45am		

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

Mrs Beardsworth and Mr. Brown

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