



Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday 7th October 2022



Dear families,

BLACK HISTORY MONTH PARTY

**We are looking for volunteers to provide food/drink for our
Black History Party on 21.10.22.**

- **Traditional dishes**
 - **Juices**
 - **Fruit**
 - **Snacks**

Please note that due to allergies homemade food does need to be clearly labelled.

We cannot allow any nut products in school.

Please bring any donations to school in the morning of 21.10.22

Thank you and see you at the party!

Please find the invitation as an attachment to this update.

SUCCESS OF EX-PUPILS

Mr. Brown bumped into a parent of an ex-pupil in the summer. He was very complimentary of his daughter's experience at the school and wanted to stress how well both she and her friends in the class had done. She left the school in the summer of 2015. He wrote:

“C. started her education foundations at Old Oak Primary School and thanks to the brilliant teachers at the school and excellent leadership, she is today studying Biomedical Science at one of the top universities in the UK. Thank you.”

The destinations of this group of children are:

Child A – Biomedical Science at University of Manchester
Child B - Biomedical Science at University of Nottingham
Child C – History and Sociology at University of Manchester
Child D – Aerospace Engineering at Queen Mary University
Child E - Medicine at Imperial College
Child F – Law and Politics at SOAS
Child G – Medicine at Queens Mary University
Child H – Aerospace Engineering at University of Hertfordshire
Child I – Midwifery at Kings College

It is always nice to hear positive news about ex-pupils and learn of their successes.

***REMINDER - COLLECTION FOR HARVEST FESTIVAL ***

We continue to collect for our harvest festival. Please bring in any items lurking at the back of the cupboard.

- pasta
- rice
- biscuits
- tinned food, including fruit, beans, vegetable or soup
- cereal
- soups (tinned or packet)
- tea bags and coffee

Thank you in advance.

ATTENDANCE

Thank you again for your support with attendance. Our target for the school is 96% across the year. This means between 0 and 8 days off absent from school in one year. Any more than that is above the average for other children in primary schools across the country. We will be asked questions about why children are below 96% and what we are doing about it. Already, a few children have had 3 days off school and therefore they have below 87% attendance. This should improve but is very low at the moment. We will be making those families aware by letter next week.

INVENTION ROOMS -AGENTS OF CHANGE

Our partners at Imperial College are looking forward to seeing you at the Agents of Change Networking Event on the 19th of October (6-8pm) at The Invention Rooms*

Our networking events offer an opportunity for women who live and work in the area to share knowledge, experiences and make meaningful connections. There'll be a chance to meet like-minded women, all hoping to form new partnerships and interact with others who are passionate about social change in the local areas. The networking event will also see the launch of applications for the next Agents of Change 6-month women's leadership programme which starts in January 2023.

When: Wednesday 19th October 6 pm – 8 pm

Where: The Invention Rooms, White City Campus

Register: [via Eventbrite by clicking here](#)

Farial Missi, Community Engagement Manager

ON-GOING PROBLEMS WITH PAY 360

We continue to accept cash payments through the school office for any additional service from the school, including Breakfast Club, playcentre after school, uniform and school lunches. Many thanks for your understanding with this complicated situation. We are looking for the most effective solution to this problem.

BOOK OF WEEK – 8+ YEAR OLDS

A recommended book this week is *Hacker* by Malorie Blackman . The review says: “*When Vicky's father is arrested, accused of stealing over a million pounds from the bank where he works, she is determined to prove his innocence. But how? There's only one way - to attempt to break into the bank's computer files.*” Available at Shepherds Bush library, on Kindle or to listen to on Audible, or costs £ 7.99 in bookshops.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Beardsworth and Mr. Brown