



## Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear families,

The school has been awarded the Music Mark for the range of musical experiences we provide for the children at the school. As well as the lessons in class and the drumming club, the school choir also rehearses and sings at big events throughout the year. In fact the Drumming Cub has evolved to become the school band with different percussion instruments and together they are developing music with composition and performance. There are places for children who would like to join this group and learn a percussion instrument and the skills of playing in a band.

### **FINAL REMINDER - EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS**



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music hub



Our extracurricular after school club offering will begin next week, with clubs taking place from 3.30-4.40pm. These clubs are run by external providers who are specialists in their field. The following clubs are available to be booked on School Money, with the exception of Speak Up Drama which can be booked direct at [Book a Class – Speak Up Drama Workshops](#). If you would like to pay in instalments, this can be arranged. Please speak to Front Desk. For more information on specific dates for each club, please see the clubs letter on Seesaw.

Club	Day	Year group	Cost
Multisports	Tuesday	Year 4-6	£44 for 11 weeks
Speak Up Drama	Wednesday	Year 1-6	£70 for 9 weeks
Street Dance	Thursday	Reception- Year 3	£50 for 10 weeks
Multisports	Friday	Reception- Year 3	£40 for 10 weeks
Drumming	Friday	Year 3 – 6	£40 for 10 weeks

**Multisports on Friday for the younger children does not have many children at all, and we may change this for an alternative activity this term if numbers remain low.**

### **SHARING ASSEMBLY UPDATE:**

**Reception** class showed artwork based around their book the *Owl Babies*, working with wax.

**Year 1** read out some great sentences they had written about the things people do in different venues.

**Year 2** shared some history about how machines have changed over time – planes and children’s buggies.

**Year 3** spoke about their research into dinosaurs and shared some amazing facts.

**Year 4** read poems aloud that they had composed based on their class book.

**Year 5** discussed their IPC entry point and how they created an ice hand.

**Year 6** shared the final draft of a piece of writing based on their class book completed this week.

The Sharing Assembly is a chance to enjoy the children's fantastic work and is a highlight of the week!

### **SEESAW FOR COMMUNICATION:**

Please be aware that Seesaw is the most effective way to communicate with teachers. Conversations at the gate before or after school are not the right time and place to have a proper conversation and should only be used for emergency issues to check if staff are aware of things you may have already written about on Seesaw. Staff have to take care of the children and interruptions, however small, can distract them from this task.

### **PARENTAL CONTROL ON PHONES AND NETFLIX:**

Please make sure you have the most up to date parental controls on your phones. We know that children are seeing or hearing things which are really not appropriate for children. We have also seen children in key stage 2 playing their version of *Squid Games*. Children of primary school age should not be watching this or have any knowledge or understanding of this programme. It is your role in the family to monitor what the children are able to watch.

### **WEAR A SCARF FOR CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH**

This year's **Wear Your SCARF Day** will be taking place on **February 7** 2025, during Children's Mental Health Week (3-9 February 2025). We're inviting everyone to wear a scarf on this day as a symbol of support for children's mental wellbeing, while celebrating the values of SCARF - Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship. SCARF is part of our partners at Coram Life Education. In school we will talk about mental health and well-being in an assembly on that day.

## **ATTENDANCE – OUR TARGET IS 96% FOR THE SCHOOL**

Acacia class, 97%! Well done, this is above our school target. Aspen class, 94%, which is acceptable with the bugs going around.

**Lates** – altogether there were 58 children late last week. That is an average of over 11 every day! This is often only 2 or 3 families in each class who are regularly late and we know that many of you are on time every day. School begins at 8.50am every day.

## **UNIFORM UPDATES**

Please write your child's name on all his or her school clothes and jackets.

## **UPCOMING DATES:**

<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January</b> <i>Please note this a date change.</i>	<b>Year 2 class assembly</b> 10:10 for a 10:15am start
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Year 1 class assembly</b> 10:10 for a 10:15am start
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Wear a SCARF day</b> for children's mental health
<b>Wednesday February 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Reception class assembly</b> 10:10 for a 10:15am start
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>World book day-</b> details to follow
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Year 6 class assembly</b> 10:10 for a 10:15am start

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

*Mrs Beardsworth and Mr. Brown*

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# Speak Up Drama Club



Spring Term!



DAY	YEARS	WHEN (£7.00 WEEKLY)	TIME
WEDNESDAYS	KS1 & KS2	22nd Jan - 26th March (9 week term)	3. 20 PM - 4. 20 PM

To book, please email: [info@speakupuk.co.uk](mailto:info@speakupuk.co.uk).

A payment plan is available—feel free to reach out with any queries

Join The Fun!

*Speak Up Drama: A safe space for kids to  
boost confidence, unleash creativity, and shine!*

*All payments are non-refundable and we operate on a first come first serve basis.*



# Games Club

At Shepherds Bush Library

Every Wednesday

16:15 - 17:15



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

