



Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday 7th June, 2024

Dear families,

As we enter our final half term of this academic year, school life continues to be as busy as ever.

MEASLES ALERT – INCREASE TO LEVEL 3 IN NORTH WEST LONDON

The school has received another communication from the local health officers about an increase in measles in this part of London. Measles usually starts with cold-like symptoms (cough, runny nose), a high temperature, and red eyes (conjunctivitis), followed by a rash a few days later. The rash looks brown or red on white skin. It may be harder to see on brown and black skin. The rash typically starts on the head and spreads down the body. Some people may also get small white spots in their mouth.

Children or staff with these symptoms should stay off from school, nursery or other childcare settings at least 4 full days from when the rash first appears (with the rash onset day as day 0). Those with symptoms should also try to avoid close contact with babies, anyone who is pregnant or has a weakened immune system. If staff, parents or carers feel they need medical advice they should contact their GP surgery or call NHS 111 as they normally would. They should alert the surgery or other healthcare setting of symptoms before attending any appointment to prevent the further spread of measles.

More information on the signs and symptoms of measles can be seen on the NHS website: [Measles - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk) and via NHS inform [Measles | NHS inform](#)

*** YEAR 4 – HOLLAND PARK OPERA WORKSHOP ***

Year 4 Magnolia enjoyed a wonderful workshop from Holland Park Opera on Tuesday. This interactive musical session was in preparation for the class's trip to the outdoor opera later this month, where they will enjoy a live performance of *The Barber of Seville*.



WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS/CARERS AND YEAR 6 CHILDREN

Next Wednesday, 12th June, there is a workshop for families with children in Year 6 to prepare them for secondary school. This takes place from 6.00-7.30pm at the Family Hub, formerly the community centre. Please contact the hub to book your place and learn about keeping safe, social media and the chance to meet with current year 7-9 pupils and families. This event take place over the next 4 Wednesdays.

SPEAK UP DRAMA CLUB

Speak Up Drama launched last half term at Old Oak and is already a success!

Our tailored sessions focus on boosting confidence through dynamic activities and techniques. Recognising the positive impact of 'The Arts' on well-being and creativity, we are committed to fostering confidence and creativity through our bespoke workshops. Join us to explore imagination, improve communication skills, and enjoy a journey of self-expression.

It's all about Confidence Through Creativity!

To find out more and join visit: [Speak Up Drama Workshops – Drama Classes & Workshops London](#)



YEAR 5 MATHS WALK*

As part of the maths curriculum, the children in Year 5 spent time on the Scrubs.



We wonder if you can see what they were learning about?



YEAR 5 SECONDARY TRANSITION MEETING – FRIDAY 14th JUNE AT 9.15am

Parents of Year 5 are invited to a Year 5 Secondary Transition meeting on **Friday 14th June at 9.15am**. We will have a specialist in secondary transition presenting information about the process and answering questions.

Moving from primary school to secondary school is an exciting time of life, but for many children it can also be a daunting and a worrying prospect. A new, much bigger school can offer greater independence, such as travelling to school alone, being given their first smart phone, and a world of other opportunities. However, it also means new teachers, new subjects and potentially a whole new set of friends.

As the Summer holiday approaches, many Years 5 parents (and their children) are starting to think about their last academic year in school and what the next school will be?

The window for secondary school transition applications and visits, are from. 1st September 2024 to 31st October 2024. (10-week window).

Please join us for the meeting to learn about the application process and how to support your child during their last year of primary school and the move to secondary.



WICK COURT – SCHOOL JOURNEY IN DECEMBER 2024

All children in the current Year 5 today received a letter about the trip to Wick Court Farm, our Year 6 school residential trip which is taking place in December. Please look at this with your child - <https://farmsforcitychildren.org/our-farms/visiting-wick-court/>

The whole trip costs £280 for the week - this includes travel, accommodation and all the activities. To secure a place for your child, we ask for a £20 deposit which can be paid to Joanne at front desk, or on School Money. The remainder of the balance can be paid off until 2 weeks before the trip. We want to work with families to allow you to pay a little every week/month until December. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity for the children, they learn so much, and we would recommend that children go. Depending on numbers, this will likely be opened to the current Year 4 also.

PLAYCENTRE – AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

As we plan ahead for September 2024, we are looking at more cost effective ways to provide the playcentre after school club for the children at Old Oak. At the moment attendance is very low but we know a few parents really rely on the service. It would help us a lot if parents and carers were able to let the school

know if you will need child care after school from September 2024. Please let Jo know at the main reception.

YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING CHECK

Next week, all children in Year 1 will sit the Phonics Screening Check. This is a statutory but simple assessment to check the children's phonic progress and is done in a way to ensure the children are not under any pressure. However, please ensure your child is on time for school if they are in Year 1.

YEAR 4 MULTIPLICATION CHECK

On Tuesday, all Year 4 children will undertake a statutory but simple online assessment to check their recall of the times tables. The children have been preparing for this and the assessment will take place in a calm and relaxed environment.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY - TARGET 96% IN THE WHOLE SCHOOL

Olive Class had the best KS1 attendance in the school with 94% and Chestnut in KS2 with 96%, our school target. Well done to Chestnut class! Chestnut also had no lates at all during the week. It seems that Chestnut class are setting a high standard for the other classes to follow. Thank you to the families who are supporting their children and making sure that they are in school, settled and ready to learn at the beginning of the day.

*** DATES FOR THE DIARY***

Monday 10th June: Year 1 Phonics Screening Check begins

Tuesday 11th June: Year 5 and 6 trip to Lyric Theatre

Wednesday 12th June: Year 4 Multiplication Check

Friday 14th June: Secondary Transition Meeting for Year 5 parents at 9.15am

Monday 17th June: Scholastic Book Fair all week

Wednesday 19th June: Year 4 trip to Holland Park Opera

Wednesday 26th June: Whole school Sports Day at Linford Christie Stadium

Have a peaceful and restful weekend!

Mr Brown and Mrs Beardsworth



**GET,
SET, PLAY**

Family music-making for all | SUMMER 2024



GET, SET, PLAY

15, 22, 29 June and 6, 13, 20 July

10-11am, **Rugby Portobello Trust**
221 Walmer Road, W11 4EY

OR

1 - 2pm, **Old Oak Community Centre**
76 Braybrook Street, W12 0AP



The Royal College of Music and Groove n' Play invite you to join a new 6-week series of friendly and inspiring family music sessions.

Get, Set, Play is all about families trying new things together. Devised with family wellbeing in mind, this fun, innovative programme includes singing, playing the recorder, ukulele and percussion. We also have lots of interactive games, quizzes, and even dancing together! Research has shown that regular music-making can reduce stress and anxiety in both adults and children. We want to bring busy families together and inject a little sparkle into Saturdays in June and July, culminating in an exciting show, supported by live musicians at the Royal College of Music.

FURTHER OPPORTUNITIES

After this 6-week introductory programme, children are eligible to apply for funded music lessons and/or choir opportunities with the Tri-borough Music Hub (subject to age/availability).

BOOKING INFORMATION

To join, please click [here](#) or email sparks@rcm.ac.uk for a link to our registration form.

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