



## Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear families,

A very Happy New Year to you all! We hope that 2026 is a wonderful year for you all.

We have had a fantastic first week back, the children have settled to routines and seem motivated to learn. We have spent time in classes and in assemblies considering new year resolutions/intentions and talked about a new year being seen as a fresh page, a new chapter and a way to move forward. It is so important for young people to always start every day as a new day- often if they have not had a positive day before knowing that tomorrow will be better is just what they need to recognise.

Staff have worked together on re-writing and updating our behaviour, wellbeing and pastoral policy which I will send to all families. We work with you in partnership and we all have a role to play in promoting and managing the positive behaviour management, wellbeing and pastoral care of our children.

Year 5 have started swimming sessions this week, this is a fantastic opportunity for our children and for some this will be the first time they have been swimming. Here at Old Oak, we pride ourselves on ensuring every child gets as many opportunities as they can whilst they are in our care.

There is a taster cheerleading session being planned so watch this space as your child may be interested in this, the scrubs forest club will re start with new children having this wonderful opportunity in key stage one and other clubs all start next week. Please see attached clubs info. All sign ups can be made on School Money with the exception of Speak Up Drama which can be booked directly online.

We have a new coach starting who has replaced Mike, Matheus will start on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January and he will continue to provide PE sessions for key stage two and support lunchtimes on a Monday and Tuesday. In addition to this, he will train the boys and girls football teams after school.

### **SEND focus meeting - January 20<sup>th</sup> 2026 at 9:30am**

We will be providing a workshop in conjunction with colleagues from the SEND department in the local authority to share as a school our SEND offer and how the local authority process can assist you if you have questions and/or wish to refer your child for any kind of SEND assessment. ALL welcome.

### **Attendance and punctuality:**

Well Done Year 5 Aspen Class who had our top attendance this week with 94.8%! They also had no lates this week – what a fantastic effort Year 5! Please ensure your child/ren are in school every day unless they really are unwell or have a temperature or sickness. The attendance officer will issue fines to families if children are persistently absent.

**Punctuality.** 9 families were late most days this week, we are working with them all to improve their punctuality so the children do not arrive unsettled and do not miss learning sessions.

**Illness:** If your child is unwell, you MUST call the school office by 9am and speak to someone or leave a voice message. You can also email, [admin@oldoak.lbhf.sch.uk](mailto:admin@oldoak.lbhf.sch.uk). Please put **child absence** in the email heading. If you do not do this then it means we need to call you to ascertain why your child is absent.

**School Uniform:** this is available from Joanne on front desk- **1<sup>st</sup> FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH. A reminder that school shoes should be black please. Please do not send your child to school in UGG or UGG style boots, these are not school uniform.**

### **Family Group - Thursdays at school**

We have space in our wonderful family group! Please see our attached flyer. If you are interested in joining, please see Pam, or email [thetransformationalspace@gmail.com](mailto:thetransformationalspace@gmail.com)

### **Homework survey:**

Please keep an eye out for a survey that will be emailed to you next week asking your opinion and feedback on our current homework policy. We really value your opinions.

### **Head Teacher Update Session - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2:45pm**

I will be asking families to give feedback on homework across the school in this session in addition to asking families to complete a survey – see above.

### **Dates for your diary:**

Date	Event	Time and location
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 6 Into University Project	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January	SEND focus meeting for parents	Lower hall – 9:30am
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> January	Head Teacher Update for parents	Lower hall - 2.45pm

Mrs Beardsworth

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**@oldoakprimaryschool**



**www.oldoakprimary.co.uk**

## **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS: SPRING TERM**

Dear Parent/Carer,

As hopefully you are aware, we offer our after-school club 'Old Oak Extra' every night from 3:20-5:45pm. Parents pay £5.00 if their child stays until 4:30 and an extra £5.00 after this for the remainder of the time.

In addition to this is Multisport, which is offered by the after-school club staff. Those who are already attending after school club can join in the club or choose from the various other enrichment opportunities available.

Club	Day	Time	Year group	Cost
<b>KS2 Multisports</b>	Wednesday	3.20 – 4.30pm	Year 3 – 6	£5 per session
<b>KS1 Multisports</b>	Thursday	3.20 – 4.30pm	Year 1 - 2	£5 per session

Please sign up for the above clubs on School Money. Clubs begin next week beginning 12.1.26.

### **CLUBS RUN BY EXTERNAL PROVIDERS:**

We are pleased to continue to offer a range of specialist clubs, run by external providers who are experts in their field. These clubs will run for 10 weeks, starting next week.

Club	Day	Year group	Cost
<b>Speak Up Drama</b>	Wednesday	Year 1-6	£6.50 per session
<b>Gardening Club</b>	Tuesday	Year 6	£5 per session
<b>Gardening Club</b>	Thursday	Year 5	£5 per session
<b>Street Dance</b> Elevate Arts	Thursday	Reception - Year 3	£6 per session
<b>Drumming</b> Tri-borough Music	Friday	Year 3 – 6	£5 per session

Signs ups can be completed through Parent Pay, with the exception of Speak Up Drama, which can be completed directly through Teri at her website: [Book a Class – Speak Up Drama Workshops](#)  
**Your child will not secure a spot in the club until payment is completed.**



THE SCHOOL & FAMILY WORKS

Meet the leaders of our  
**Family Group at Old Oak Primary School**



**Monica Jato**



**Pam Frost-Patrick**

Children and their parents join **Family Group** together for many reasons:

- Children not getting the best out of school
- Children finding it difficult to learn and focus
- Children struggling to make friends
- Children feeling anxious or shy
- Children finding it hard to regulate their emotions

To find out more about our weekly Thursday **Family Group** please get in touch with **Monica or Pam**. You could also leave a message with the school office and we will get back to you.

**Monica Jato:** Art psychotherapist MA HCPC

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Interested in finding out  
about the universal offer  
available to all children to  
support their learning?

Would you like more information on  
support available to your child?

Concerned about your  
child's progress?

# Parent SEND Workshop

## Tuesday 20th January at 9.30am

- Information on how school supports children with additional needs
- Learn about the different levels of support available to your child
- Information about the outside agencies we work with to support those with additional needs
- Learn about Educational Health Care Plans (EHCPs) and when these are suitable for a child
- Guidance on the referral process for additional health and learning needs
- The chance to ask any questions you may have

*Led by Mrs Beardsworth (Headteacher) and Miss McCartney (DHT and SENDco)*

*Guests: James Bateman (H&F Area SENCO) and Jonathan Smith (H&F EHC Team)*



# Speak Up Drama Club



Confidence, creativity, and imagination take  
centre stage!

DAY	YEAR	WHEN	COST	TIME
Wednesday	KS1 & KS2	14th Jan - 18th Mar (9 week term)	£6.50 per class	3.30 PM - 4.30 PM

Payment plans are available upon request. For any further queries,  
please contact Teri at [teri@speakupuk.co.uk](mailto:teri@speakupuk.co.uk)

To book please follow the link below:

<https://www.speakupdramaworkshops.co.uk/book-drama-club/>

Watch more of our work: [YouTube.com/@SpeakUpDrama](https://www.youtube.com/@SpeakUpDrama)

Instagram: [@speakupdrama](https://www.instagram.com/speakupdrama)



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

**Join the  
fun!**

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