



## Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday March 20th 2026

Dear families,

What a fantastic and inspiring week it has been at our school!

Our Year 5 pupils took part in an exciting “Into University” session, where they explored a range of aspirational career pathways and the degrees they could study in the future. It was wonderful to see their curiosity sparked and their ambitions grow as they began to think about the many possibilities ahead of them.

Meanwhile, a group of our Year 6 pupils represented the school brilliantly at the Environmental Parliament, held at Kensington Town Hall alongside other local schools. I am incredibly proud to share that they won two awards! They demonstrated outstanding public speaking and presentation skills, confidently sharing their ideas in front of a panel of judges. They were excellent ambassadors for our school.

We also enjoyed a very special Mother’s Day Breakfast, where families joined us to celebrate together. It was a lovely opportunity to welcome parents and carers into school.

Adding to the excitement, Zoo Lab visited the school, giving different classes the chance to meet and learn about a range of fascinating creatures – including a tarantula! The hands-on experience sparked great enthusiasm and curiosity across the school.

We wish all our families that celebrate EID a wonderful celebration, we look forward to hearing from the children on their return on Monday.

Please look for photos on Instagram of everything that’s happened over the week.

### **Parents Meetings: Tuesday 17th March: Thank you!**

Thank you to all the families that attended the parent meeting, it is so important that you support your child academically. Hopefully you took away some ideas of what your child/ren needs support with and I know that you will have felt very proud hearing about your child’s achievements! If you could not attend, please rearrange with the teacher via seesaw. The year two teacher meetings have been rearranged as unfortunately Mrs Cavanagh was unwell. These will now take place on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April**. Mrs Cavanagh will contact families to confirm times. Thank you for your understanding.

### **Old Oak Science Week- next week.**

All classes have signed up for a 'Big Switch Off' slot where there will be no electricity used for one session in the day.

On the morning of Monday 23rd, we will have an ambassador visiting from the National Farmers Union- they will talk to all classes in individual workshops.

Other activities:

Representatives from Year 6 will be visiting classes to explain how an electric circuit works and model with our new electric sets.

Assigned scientist for each class to share some information about during Sharing Assembly.

### **Early Years EID celebration**

Tuesday 24th March from 1:30pm in the early years setting - please see the flyers.

### **Year 1-6 EID parties**

Please look out for details on seesaw from teachers about what day the children in their class will be hosting an EID party next week. We would be most grateful for any donations of snacks and drinks the children could share. Please note that due to allergies, we can't accept nut products.

### **Red Nose Day – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March- Thank you for the donations!**

Staff said it was lovely to see a 'sea of red' in the playgrounds and classrooms, all donations will go to very worthy causes through the Comic Relief charity.

### **Class Photo - Monday 23rd March**

The photographer will be visiting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> to take **class photos**. All children will be photographed individually and then a collage of each class will be created.

### **EYFS Ducking Disco - Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March**

The annual Duckling Disco will take place next Wednesday for children in Nursery and Reception. We are asking for donations for the raffle – all money raised will pay for the ducklings to visit the school, please see the attached flyer.

### **Year 6 Leaver's Hoodies and Memorabilia**

We are excited to announce that Sabrina Andrew, one of our Year 6 parents, will be creating our Year 6 Leaver's Hoodies this year. Sabrina will also be offering a 'Leaver's Box', containing themed items to commemorate the children's time at the school.

Leaver's Hoodie: £12 – *this will have the school badge on the front and the children's names on the back.*

Leaver's Box: £20 – *this will include a pen, Year 6 group photo magnet, cup/mug and Leaver's t-shirt.*

To order a hoodie or Leaver's Box, or to find out more information, please contact Sabrina directly or see Joanne on Front Desk - all orders should be placed by 30<sup>th</sup> April. Please note this applies to Year 6 children only.

### **Aktiva after school provider- starting April 14<sup>th</sup> 2026**

**IMPORTANT INFO- every family has been sent an email too.**

Aktiva After School Club is partnering with Old Oak Primary School to provide a fun, friendly, and safe environment for children after school.

#### **1. Club Details:**

- Operating hours: End of school day to 6:00 PM.
- Session options:
  - Early Session: 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
  - Late Session: 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
  - Full Session: 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM
- Location: School hall, with pick-up at the front gate.

#### **2. Activities and Snacks:**

- Activities include sports, STEM, arts and crafts, dance, yoga, theatre craft, and more.
- Snacks provided, with dietary requirements considered.

#### **3. Contact Information:**

- During club hours: Call setting number (TBC).
- For bookings/general inquiries: Email [bookings@aktivacamps.com](mailto:bookings@aktivacamps.com) or call 0203 551 8909.

#### **4. Booking Options:**

- **Annual Pass:** Book set days for the academic year with monthly payments over 11 months. Starts mid-April and ends in July.
- **Ad Hoc Sessions:** Flexible one-off bookings available until 1 PM on the day, subject to availability.
- Booking website: [www.aktivacamps.com](http://www.aktivacamps.com).

#### **5. Pricing:**

- Monthly fees for Annual Pass range from £54 (1 day/week) to £270 (5 days/week) for full sessions.
- Ad Hoc session prices: Full (£17.50), Early (£9.00), Late (£10.50).
- 5% sibling discount available.

#### **6. Childcare Cost Assistance:**

- Families may be eligible for financial support through schemes like Tax-Free Childcare, Universal Credit, Student Finance, DWP Grants, or Childcare Vouchers.

#### **7. Important Information:**

- Booking for the 2025/2026 academic year opens on March 30, 2026.
- Cancellation policy:
  - Annual Pass: One month's written notice.
  - Ad Hoc Sessions: Two weeks' notice.
- Medication policy: Essential medication must be provided directly to Aktiva staff.
- Zoom information session scheduled for March 25, 2026, at 6:30 PM- see email for ).

#### **8. Contact and Support:**

- For questions or assistance, contact the bookings team via email or phone.

### **Hop and Hunt event at the Family Hub:**

Community event on the last day of term.

March 27<sup>th</sup> 2026- 1pm-4:30pm- please see flyer attached.

### **Five Mile Films- request.....**

*Does your child shine at home, but struggle socially around other kids? The team behind The Dog House is making a brand-new **BBC series about childhood friendship** and are looking for **kids aged 5 to 8** who are finding it hard to make friends.*

*If this sounds like your child – or someone you know – filming is in July/August 2026, and we would love to hear from you.*

🔗 Apply at: <https://bemyfriend.tv/>

### **Fundraising - please sign up so the school receives extra money!**

Thank you to the many families who have already signed up. Sign up to easy fundraising and when you shop online with your favourite retailers, they'll donate to us. It's free and your shopping won't cost you any extra – the retailers you shop with will donate, not you!

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/old-oak-primary-school/ag9c8m/c2s/DKt29s1J/CE942/facebook/>

**Match Funding** - If the company you work for offers match funding and you would like to support the school, please get in touch. This is something some local schools have benefitted from - in one school a parent made this happen and the school gained £15,000. School budgets are unbelievably tight so every penny counts.

### **Hammersmith and Fulham Young Business Showcase**

A reminder that children in Year 5 and 6 are invited to participate in the H&F Young Business Showcase on **28<sup>th</sup> March** at the Lyric Square in Hammersmith. They are looking for young entrepreneurs who can produce and sell a product of their choice. More information and application details can be found at: [Young Business Showcase - Children's Business Fair UK's new home](#)

Please note that any buying and selling of goods that the children make should take place at the showcase and not during school.

**Nursery admissions**- we still have places available in our school Nursery. We welcome the 15- and 30-hour codes for funded hours. If you would like additional sessions, we charge £20 a session for an am or pm session. Funding starts a term after your child is 3 years old, however if you want your child to join as soon as they are three, you may pay for these sessions. Please come and see us in action anytime!

## Attendance:

Another fantastic week for Year 6 Willow who had the best attendance this week at 88.9%! Please ensure your child/ren are in school every day unless they really are unwell or have a temperature or sickness. The school will issue fines to families if children are persistently absent and or take holidays in term time.

Please work with us in ensuring your child/ren get the best possible start to their day - with their friends when the bell goes at 8:50am. Year 5 Aspen and Year 6 Willow were our winners of best punctuality this week with 3 lates each.

**Please remember that the last gate to close is early years at 9:05. Please drop KS1 and KS2 children FIRST: these gates close at 9.00am.**

**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.

## 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)

## Gardening Club

This is a club that is offered on a Tuesday after school for children in Key Stage 2. Please see Joanne or Sarah on front desk if you are interested. There are still places.

There is a special event taking place at the community centre and around the estate on May 10<sup>th</sup> and our gardening club will be selling their seedlings and plants!

Look out for details about this event organised by residents in the community.

## Parent volunteers

If you are able to give any of your time to support us at school in any way, please let us know.

**NEXT Head Teacher Update Session** - to discuss the progress made on our school improvement plan, April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2026 at 2:45pm.

## Dates for your diary: please note a change for Year 5 class assembly

Date	Event	Information
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	School photographer	Please ensure children are in FULL uniform.
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Year 5 class assembly	Lower hall 10:10am
	Early years EID party	Early years setting
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 trip to the Science Museum	

Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	EYFS Duckling Disco	See flyer below
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 work with Imperial College	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Local police visit classes to share about the role of a policeperson	This event was rescheduled
	Hope and Hunt event at the Family Hub	See leaflet attached.
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of Spring Term	School finishes 1.30pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Staff training day	SCHOOL CLOSED
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of Summer Term	School reopens
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 2 Parent Meetings	

**Save the Date:** Old Oak Sports Day and Family Picnic will take place on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

**PLEASE NOTE** - the last day for this academic year is Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July and we will finish at 1:30pm.

**Please remember that if you choose to take your child out before this date, this absence will be unauthorised.**

Have a restful weekend!

Mrs Beardsworth

*Find us at:*



Instagram

**@oldoakprimaryschool**



**www.oldoakprimary.co.uk**

# Calling all parents and families



Old Oak Early years would once again like to have the fantastic learning opportunity of the ducklings, We will be holding a raffle to raise some of the £390 needed.

We are asking please for any donations to add to the raffle any Christmas/holiday gifts that need a new home would be a fantastic contribution.

Staff in Early years will be donating Easter eggs.



# PGL LIDDINGTON★

The Ultimate Year 6 Adventure!

Are **YOU** ready for the best school trip ever?

Next year in **YEAR 6**, join the action at...

## PGL Liddington!

### What's Waiting for You?

- 🏠 Awesome Activities!
- 👥 Team Challenges!
- 🔥 Campfire Fun!
- 👫 Time with Friends!
- 👧 Trying New Things!



### Be Brave, Be Bold, Be You!

- Build Confidence
- Learn Teamwork
- Challenge Yourself
- Make Amazing Memories!

### ★ Why Go? ★

- ✓ Fun!
- ✓ Exciting!
- ✓ An Adventure!
- ✓ The Best Part of Year 6!

Coming Next Academic Year!

Don't Miss Out!



# HOP & HUNT SOUP STOP

**FREE HOT LUNCH,  
EASTER CRAFTS & ANIMAL TRAIL**

**27th March**  
1:00pm – 4:30pm

COME JOIN US FOR A FUN AND WELCOMING COMMUNITY EVENT  
FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND EVERYONE IN THE LOCAL AREA!



EASTER-THEMED ARTS & CRAFTS

WARM LUNCH FOR ALL



ANIMAL TRAIL IN THE SCRUBS



CHOCOLATE TREATS & GOODIE BAGS



FREE HEALTH CHECKS & WELLBEING SUPPORT



CHILDREN CAN EXPLORE THE SCRUBS SEARCHING FOR HIDDEN ANIMALS ALONG THE TRAIL,  
WITH CHOCOLATE TREATS AND A GOODIE BAG WAITING AT THE END!



THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE  
SMALL HALL, OLD OAK FAMILY HUB, W12 0AP  
with activities happening in the nearby scrubs.



community connect



Family Hub

N&F

Family Champions

Wishaw & Jordan

NHS



Wishaw & Jordan



Wishaw & Jordan



**ARTS  
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# ARTS AT THE HEART

In partnership with Sport at the Heart & Speak Up Drama  
A Saturday Performing Arts School backed by Arts Council England

Acting

Singing

Dancing

## Saturday Performing Arts School

Every Saturday | 10:00am – 1:15pm

18th April – 11th July 2026 (12-Weeks)

Ages: 5–14 years old

Roundwood School and Community Centre, 49 Longstone Ave,  
London, NW10 3UN

£30 for the full term – just £2.50 per session!

Hugely subsidised to make high-quality performing arts accessible for all families.



## What to Expect

- Professional acting training
- Vocal & singing development
- High-energy dance sessions
- Performance skills & stage confidence
- End-of-term showcase performance

**Spaces are limited!**

Scan the QR code below to become a member & book your place.

Already a member? Sign In and book directly!

<https://bookings.sportattheheart.org/Cms/Spaces/DEFAULT/Home%20Page?version=8>





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.

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