



## Old Oak Primary School Update

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Dear families,

First of all we would both like to congratulate the children for their fantastic start to the year. They are calm, mature and already producing some wonderful work. We have also focussed on our personal values and the children have been talking in their class about how they will show their respect, empathy, thoughtfulness, adaptability, resilience and communication and collaborative skills.

We would also like to thank all the staff and Ms McCartney, the deputy headteacher, and Ms Williams, the school business manager in particular, who have supported us in our first week as co-headteachers. **ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED TO A COFFEE MORNING NEXT WEDNESDAY, 14<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER AT 9.00am IN THE LOWER HALL TO MEET BOTH OF US.** This will be a chance for parents to discuss the challenges and opportunities for the school this coming year.

### **Start and End of the Day:**

In reception and nursery the children are dropped off at and collected from the door of the classroom but no adult is allowed in the school at any time without a member of staff.

In all the classes from Year 1 to Year 6, children are brought by an adult to the playground and parents collect from here. No parent is allowed in the building at any time for safeguarding reasons.

School **begins at 8.55am and children should not be late.**

### **School Absence:**

If your child is ill, it is **your responsibility** to let the school know. We must know every day if your child is absent. Please call and leave a message or speak to Joanne. It can become a safeguarding issue if we are not informed about your child's absence on more than one occasion. All parents **MUST** show evidence of any appointment your child may have during the school day. Without evidence we are not permitted to allow children to leave the school premises without good reason. We will highlight the classes with good attendance each week in the update.

### **Class Letter and Curriculum:**

Today your child will receive the class letter from their new teacher which will contain information about the week, about days for PE and other activities which you need to know as parents. Children come to school in their PE kit on the days they have PE. You will learn about the children's learning – the curriculum map for your child's class – next week.

### **Breakfast Club and Playcentre:**

The school runs a Breakfast Club from 8.00am and Playcentre after school until 5.30pm. There is a small charge for this but it is excellent value for money. For more information on this, please contact Joanne at the main reception on 0208 743 7629 or admin@oldoak.lbhf.sch.uk.

### **School Uniform:**

The school uniform is now available from the main reception – the delivery has arrived! Please contact Joanne. The uniform is the school jumper with a white polo shirt, grey or black trousers or skirt and black shoes **without** bright logos. School coats, fleeces, rucksacks and bookbags are available to buy from the school as well.

PE kit is a white or blue T shirt, shorts or leggings and black trainers, all **without** logos. **Football kits** are **NOT** to be worn to school for PE.

### **Class Welcome Meetings:**

**On Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September** you are invited to a welcome event in your child's class. This will take place **between 2.30-3.00pm in the classroom**. This will give you a chance to meet the teacher and learn about the school year. Please book this time in the diary and come to the main reception on the day before being collected from the playground.

### **Birthdays:**

Birthdays are a special time for young children and we will certainly make them feel wonderful on that day. We know that parents are keen to involve the other children in celebrations. We advise that the best way to do this is to prepare party bags for the children which can be given out. Cakes are not allowed this year in class for birthdays. Please do not bring cakes to school and replace this with the party bag.

### **Clubs**

Children are keen to start Multi-sports with Mike and have already expressed an interest. We will make sure these are up and running as soon as we can and hopefully from next week. We will place letters on Seesaw early next week with more information.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Beardsworth and Mr. Brown