

Old Oak Primary School

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Key Stage 1

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Friday 5th September 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a fantastic first week back and I am so delighted to see how well the children in Acacia Class have been as they transition in to a new classroom environment. The first two weeks back we will be focusing mainly on PSHE, Phonics, English and Maths. Of course lots of other activities will be part of their timetable including PE, Art, Music and RE. During these first two weeks back we will not be sending homework or reading books home. They will be completing focussed reading in class and the system for home reading will be resumed in two weeks.

Please find below the timetable for Autumn Term Acacia Class.

•	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Activities in school			P.E. Library	P.E	Spelling Test Homework (set on SeeSaw)
Your child will need to bring in:	Reading record Water bottle	Reading record Water bottle	Reading record Library book P.E. Kit Water bottle	Reading record P.E. Kit Water bottle Homework (must be uploaded on SeeSaw)	Reading record Water bottle

Uniform: Please make sure that your child comes into school wearing the correct uniform for school. Please see the school website for this information. All belongings need to be labelled as we cannot take responsibility if your child loses/misplaced their uniform. Trainers are only permitted for PE and black school shoes must be worn on days they do not have PE.

PE: On Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, your child will have a P.E. session delivered by Mrs Acana. This term they will thinking about Dance and Gymnastics. It is very important that your child wears the correct PE kit so they can take part fully in the sessions. We will be conducting the PE sessions outside as long as the weather allows. Remember that the school expects each child to wear the school PE kit which consists of navy blue leggings, joggers or shorts and a plain white t-shirt or school logo navy t-shirt. As the weather gets colder and wetter, please think about the practicalities of their PE kit. They may need a sweatshirt and waterproof jacket to play sports outside.

Homework: Your child will soon receive a homework book with a QR code to use for the SeeSaw app to access their homework online. As the school is going paperless, we will be setting homework from Fridays and we will be expecting that you support your child at home with all their home learning by completing this in their homework book. You can take a pictures of their work and upload this on SeeSaw by Thursday. Please keep the homework book at home as I will use the pictures on SeeSaw to see that their home learning is completed.

Phonics and home reading: We are going to start preparing your child for the Phonics screening check in May 2026 and we will inform you of how your child is doing so that you are aware of any sounds that they need to work on. We would really appreciate your support on this as it is very important that we work together to help your child progress in the beginning stages of reading skills. Please do come and see me if you wish to talk about this.

Your child will be given a new reading book each week and see above which day I have highlighted when your child is allocated to return their reading pack for the week. This is also when your child will receive a new reading book. It is vital you stick to your child's day to bring in their reading pack and stick to our routine. We will also read with your child that day and check that you have recorded comments for each day that they have read with you. Please read with your child for at least 15 minutes every day. Ask them questions









and use pictures to help them develop their spoken language and understanding of what they are reading. Again, if you are unsure please do not hesitate to ask for support.

Water, snacks and packed lunch: Your child will need their own supply of water everyday. Please ensure that they have a water bottle, it can be refilled at school, with their name clearly labelled. Please be aware that KS1 children are offered to have a fruit or vegetable snack at break times, however if you wish to provide your child with their own healthy snack please do so. This also gives them the energy to study all morning until lunch! If your child has a packed lunch, please do not provide sweets or chocolates, flavoured juices or any foods that contain nuts as we are a healthy eating, and nut-free school. We encourage children to make healthier choices.

Many thanks for your continued support and I look forward to supporting your child this year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Acana Year 1 Acacia Class Teacher