

Belonging Respect Responsibility

OLD PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Good morning, I hope that everyone had a lovely weekend. Its hard to believe we are already in week 3 of the spring term. Firstly well done to all the children that represented the school in the various sporting competitions last week, and a special well done to the Y5/6 basketball team for achieving bronze medals! It was great to welcome some visitors into school last week to present us with our Schools of Sanctuary award. During the presentation some of our Year 6 children spoke about the school and all did a brilliant job talking in front of a large audience. I said during the assembly the award shows how welcoming the children are to everyone at Old Park

irrespective of where they are from and their background, and they should all be very proud of the culture they have created within the school. Over the next few weeks the school will be launching a new scheme which we will be running at lunch time. I will share more about this with you next week, you can read about this scheme on this website: <https://outdoorplayandlearning.org.uk/the-opal-primary-programme/>



THINGS HAPPENING THIS WEEK

In Harmony: Week 1

Sports competitions: Not all pupils involved

Wednesday 22nd January: KS1 Tennis

ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

A reminder that the whole school attendance target for each week is 96%.

The classes that met/exceeded the target for the week beginning 13th January 2025 were **FB, FG, 1/2H, 1G, 1J, 2B, 2V, 3/4P, 4C, 5EF, 5W & 6W.**



A special well done to **5W** who had the highest attendance across the school last week. The attendance trophy is on its way to you!

REMINDERS

Uniform: Please remember that children can wear black shoes or trainers for school and should only wear coloured trainers on their allocated PE day. On PE days they should wear a red or white t shirt, tracksuit bottoms or shorts and have their school jumper/fleece.

Punctuality: A reminder that the doors to the classrooms open at 8:40am each day and the register for the morning session takes place at 8:55am. All pupils must be in class by this time else they will be marked as late (L code). Anyone that arrives after 9:30am is give a U code which means even though they are in school their attendance will not count for the morning session.

Unauthorised absence: If your child is not going to be in school due to illness or a medical appointment please ensure that you let the main office know so that we can code the absence in the correct way. If we do not hear from a parent or carer for the reason for an absence it means that the absence goes down as being unauthorised. Many thanks for your support with this.

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SPRING 1 DATES

Monday 20th January: In Harmony week 1

Monday 27th January: Parent workshop 'behaviour is communication' (2:00-3:15pm) Information about this event has been sent via ParentPay.

Wednesday 29th January: Chinese new year lunch

Friday 14th February: Last day of the half term

Monday 17th - Friday 21st February: Half term holiday



TERM DATES FOR 2024/2025

Monday 6th January 25	Spring term 1 begins
17th - 21st February 25	Half term holiday
Monday 24th February 25	Spring term 2 begins
14th April - 25th April 2025	Easter holidays
Monday 28th April 2025	Summer term 1 begins
Monday 5th May 2025	May bank holiday
26th May - 30th May 25	Half term holiday
Monday 2nd June 25	Staff PD day (children not in school)
Tuesday 3rd June 25	Summer term 2 begins
Friday 18th July 25	Last day of the academic year

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NEWSLETTER



Old Park Primary School VALUES



Belonging	Respect	Responsibility
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. I am proud to be part of the Old Park family.2. I am a special and important part of our school.3. I feel happy and valued.4. I feel safe in school.5. I help others through my support and friendship.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. I treat everyone the same.2. 'Everyone is awesome'.3. We are all allowed different views and opinions.4. I do not disturb the learning of others, and I help others to learn the best they can.5. I care for myself, the school, the community and the wider world.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. I always try my best with my learning.2. I make good choices.3. I am honest.4. I know that my actions will have consequences.5. I am a good role model to others.



Old Park Primary School BEHAVIOUR RULES



1. Follow instructions
2. To have kind words, kind hands and kind feet.
3. To show respect for everyone within the school community.



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As part of our new lunchtime scheme OPAL, we are looking to collect as many of the items above ready for after half term. If you have anything shown above that you could donate please drop them off at the main office. Many thanks in advance for any donations that you might be able to provide us with.

What are **LOOSE PARTS?**

Loose parts are items that can be used to facilitate different kinds of play, or any material that a child can manipulate for playful purposes.

Upcycled Loose Parts



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JOIN THE ADVENTURE

THE BOYS' BRIGADE

> the adventure begins here

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4 – 8 Years

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8 – 11 Years

Company

11 – 14 Years

Seniors

14 – 18 Years

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TELFORD MINSTER

MEETING POINT HOUSE, SOUTHWATER SQUARE, TF3 4HS

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to create a better borough



SOUTHWATER DROP IN



Every Wednesday 9.30am - 12:30pm
Southwater Library – children's section

- Advice and signposting
- Information on parenting/ courses
- Support and guidance around accessing local community activities
- Family hubs information



Provided by
Strengthening Families
and Dandelion Peer
Parent support

Our early help offer

Please see the early help section of our school website to see the things that we may be able to offer you in school if you need any support.

