



Newsletter

22nd July 2021

Dear Parents and carers

It has been a school year unlike ever before and one that will go down in history books. While it has not been without it's challenges, I can only praise the school staff here at Osidge for their incredible hard work and commitment to making the children's learning experience as positive as possible. My huge thanks to all of them, teachers, support staff, admin, cleaners, site team and kitchen staff. I am also truly grateful to you, the parents, for working together with us through all of this. It is by working together that the children will benefit the most.

This week we said goodbye to our Y6 pupils. It was not the goodbye we had planned or would have wished for them. Technology allowed us a virtual leavers ceremony and it was lovely to hear their memories of primary school and have the chance to be together one last time. We wish them all the very best as they move on to their secondary schools.

We also said goodbye to Mrs Franks who is leaving Osidge after more than 25 years working as a teaching assistant. The children all had the chance to say goodbye in our flashmob on the field where we all danced together for Mrs Franks.

Also leaving is Barbara Smith, one of our cleaners, who is retiring at the age of 85. Barbara is a trooper and turns up every day in her tweed skirts to do her cleaning. She is an example to us all that regular physical work does us good!

A few messages about next year.

Children should continue to come to school in their PE kit on their PE day. Please make sure they are wearing PE kit as per the uniform list. No leggings; stripy tracksuits; hoodies please. Uniform list is here: <https://www.osidgeschool.org/parents/uniform/>. We will confirm when your PE day towards the start of term

When we return on 2nd September the school day will stay as it is. The school day starts at 8.45am and end for Reception 3.05pm; KS1 3.10pm; KS2 3.15pm

If you'd like a place at breakfast or after school club next year, please book as soon as possible

If you'd like school dinners, please top up your account online.

I wish you all a safe and restful summer and look forward to seeing all the children and welcoming some new ones in September.

Jen Brodkin

Headteacher



Osidge Baby & Toddler Group

FREE!

A fun and friendly group

Please let us know if you would be interested in coming along with your child.

Starting in September on Monday's 2-3pm

Contact Elena 07515 029695

Reading, Reading, Reading

World Book Day Stories

Stories on our Youtube Channel that make the teachers smile.

Links to the stories are:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M8qJ7MkNVFO>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mfnLelzfQYg>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=abBtAIO0A8o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sVtgPHjGIFo>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDAMK0cTvZk>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HuEljaloSW8>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LtgkcsIWgXk>

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National Literacy Trust/Oak Academy "library" are releasing one book a week linked to their author of a week

<https://library.thenational.academy>



Online Safety

As the summer holidays approach, we want to remind you and your child how to stay safe when online.

Here is a short loom video on the top tips.

<https://www.loom.com/share/5bfcd792ac8341178df688818a39b100>

It is important we empower the children to use the internet safely rather than avoid using it.

Also here are some useful websites that you may like to visit:

<https://www.kidsonlineworld.com/>

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Diary Dates

September 2021

1st **Insert Day- School closed to pupils**

2nd **Beginning of Autumn Term**

Photo, video and data consents

We are updating our records, if your child is in the current reception – year 5 please click the link below and complete the form.

<https://forms.gle/Bfdt2G4x1f8rTqZA9>