



Newsletter

22nd July 2022

First day back for pupils Monday 5th September

Dear Parents

The end of term always brings a sense of the bitter sweet. We are all in need of a break, and yet a part of us is sad to say goodbye to the staff we've created bonds with and to the successes of the year. And there have been so many successes! I am immensely proud of everything we have achieved in a 'near-as-normal year' – it is easy to forget that we were under considerable covid restrictions until March this year. We have seen the benefit of giving again opportunities for enrichment through trips, sharing events, performances and wider learning. I know the staff have equally enjoyed having the shackles removed and allowing their creativity to flow through the work we do.

End of a school year also means we say our sad goodbyes to Y6 who celebrated their achievements at Osidge with an emotional leavers' ceremony yesterday. For parents whom it is their youngest child leaving, it means the end of many, many years of association with Osidge. My thanks to them and to all the parents for all their support over the years.

We also said goodbye to Mr Beard, Mrs Hyman, Mrs Baptista and to each other in our whole school end of year assembly. It was also a moment to thank all the children who have been in leadership roles this year: our Y6 Ambassadors, School Council, Digital Leaders, Green Team, Wellbeing Monitors and Junior Travel Ambassadors. They all do a great job in promoting school issues and supporting one another at child-to-child level.

The summer will be a busy one on site. With thanks to OSA fundraising we are really excited to be creating our studio-lab! The children have had the opportunity to give us their ideas and phase 1 will happen over the summer and the final touches will go in during the school year. We are also giving Y2-Y3 and the lower resources room a mini-makeover to make them feel more modern. Outside of the building, we have secured funding from the local authority for desperately needed repairs to the roof and guttering. The nature garden has had a big clear-up and the next phase of improvement will happen next school year. Really excitingly, we have won a grant to de-carbonise the school and there will be a phased programme of work to put in solar panels, a heat-source pump and some window improvement work. That work is likely to continue into the new school year and I am sure you will agree, well worth doing!

School starts back for children on Monday 5th September at 8.45am.

Thank you to all of you for all your support and kind words this year. All much appreciated.

From all of us at Osidge, have a lovely summer!

Jen Brodkin
Headteacher

GADGETEERS

Build your reading skills and confidence by taking part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge 'Gadgeteers'. Feed your imagination over the summer holiday with a free reading challenge focused on science and innovation!

You can also join in the fun online by visiting the official challenge website:

www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

or visit your local library (available at any Barnet / Enfield library)

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/gadgeteers> -

Find out more about the fun-filled summer of free events from Barnet library!

How can children take part in the Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge is a flexible programme that is designed for all levels of ability.

At the library	Online
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A child will visit their local library and sign up to the Challenge for free. They receive their Gadgeteers core pack poster.2. They set a personal reading goal for the summer (we recommend six books).3. Borrow and read books, eBooks and audiobooks of their choice. They can read anything they like: fiction, fact books, poetry, joke books, picture books, graphic novels, audiobooks...4. Collect special incentives from the library each time they finish a book.5. Receive a certificate and/or medal for taking part, or for reaching their Challenge goal. <p>In addition, libraries offer a wide variety of events and activities for families to enjoy throughout the summer.</p>	<p>Alternatively, children can participate in the Challenge online.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Sign up at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk2. Set a personal reading goal for the summer. Receive book recommendations and tips for accessing books for free at home.3. Each time they finish a book, the child adds it to their online profile and leaves a review. They unlock digital badges and online rewards along the way.4. Unlock a certificate for reaching their Challenge goal. <p>Children can also play games, enter competitions, share book recommendations and more on our free, safe, moderated platform.</p>

The Summer Reading Challenge is open to all primary school-aged children.

Bring in your certificate when we return to school in September so we can celebrate your success!

We look forward to hearing how well you got on! Good luck! Miss Savva and Miss Blackburn

Change to the end of the school day from September

Reception finish at 3.15pm

KS1 (year 1 & 2) finish at 3.20pm

KS2 (years 3 – 6) finish at 3.25pm

After School Clubs Starting in September
Please contact the club organisers directly to book a place for your child

Monday 3.15 - 4.30

Woody's Football – 07961 437202
www.woodyssportsacademy.com



Tuesday 3.15 - 4.15

Albanian Club – 07393835993
Email: d.abdiaj2016@outlook.com



Tuesday 3.25 – 4.25

Streetz Ahead – 07956 987387
Email: info@streetzahead.org

Wednesday 3.25 - 4.25

French Club- 07587159327
Email : lmen3354@hotmail.co.uk

Thursday 3.15 – 4.25

Archery – 07375 890633
Email: skoolofskillz@outlook.com



Thursday 3.15 – 4.30

Art Club (Rec – Year 2) 07921845330
Email: namitajain123yahoo.co.uk



Friday 3.20 – 4.30

Art Club Year (3- Year 6) 07921845330
Email: namitajain123yahoo.co.uk

Osidge School Uniform Expectations

At Osidge we expect all children to wear school uniform as it helps us set the tone for the school. We expect all the children to come to school in the correct uniform, looking smart and ready to learn.

**Please label all your child's clothes and belongings with their name.
It will help you and us to identify your lost property!**

Uniform:

Grey trousers / shorts / skirt / pinafore
Sky blue polo shirt
Navy sweatshirt (with logo)
Grey/white socks or grey tights (no leggings)

Footwear:

Sensible black shoes

Summer Uniform:

Girls: Blue and white check/striped dress

Boys: Grey shorts and sky blue polo shirt

It will help us enormously if you label all your child's clothes with their name. It will also help you to identify your lost property! Labels can be ordered with your child's uniform.

PE Kit:

Children must have a PE kit, clearly marked with the child's name.

All children will need:

Black plimsolls, navy shorts, light blue Tshirt and a PE bag.

In KS2 children can wear trainers. During the winter months children may wear appropriate dark coloured track suit trousers. (no leggings)

Most items can be purchased from supermarkets as well as from our uniform supplier
J Smith and Sons, 25 Station Parade, Cockfosters Road, EN4 0DW.

Your child will need a book bag, or ruck sack depending on year group, also available from J Smith and Sons.

Jewellery:

Children should not wear jewellery to school, except in the case of items of religious significance.

Only simple stud ear-rings are allowed.

Other items of jewellery pose considerable risk to personal safety at playtimes and during PE lessons.

Watches with leather or plastic straps may be worn. Watches with bracelet style straps are classed as jewellery and may not be worn.

Hair:

Hair which reaches below shoulder length must be tied up using black, brown or navy hair fastenings (bobbles/clips). Any other hair accessories such as hairbands must be simple and black, brown or navy so that they don't distract from learning.

The school accepts no responsibility or liability for any lost items of jewellery or clothing.

Pre- Loved Uniform Scheme

Do you know about our Pre-Loved Scheme?



**We are so pleased that our Pre-Loved scheme has been such a success. Unfortunately, because of this, there may be times where we need to pause donations to allow our team to run down remaining Pre-Loved stock.*

Smiths
schoolwear

- 1 They Outgrow**
If you have unwanted uniform laying around, don't let it go to landfill. Our Pre-Loved process rewards donating and buying customers.
- 2 You Give Back**
Customers can donate outgrown uniform in any of our stores, receiving £0.50 account credit per donated item.
- 3 We Resell**
As long as items are in a re-sellable condition, we list Pre-Loved items in our online shop ready for buying customers. Our Pre-Loved products are priced from only £0.50.
- 4 We Deliver**
However you want to collect - via delivery, click and collect in store, or from the school office - we'll get it sorted.
- 5 They Succeed**
Thank you for being part of the change. You've prevented thousands of items of clothing from going to landfill.

www.smithsschoolwear.co.uk



Plumbing for Plants

Support the
Osidge School Nature Garden Development

Osidge dad Ionut Apostu is offering to donate 100% of boiler and electrical services booked through Radiant Gas towards the school's nature garden project.

Contact Ionut at: radiantgas.co.uk

Services available

- Boiler services
- Boiler repairs
- Gas safety certificates
- Electric conditional certificates
- Consumer unit replacement
- Electric faults repairs

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Request from Reception

If you are having a clear out over the summer reception are looking for the following items:

Kitchen utensils wooden spoons /spatulas and Kettles for their outside kitchen

Trucks/diggers and Dinosaurs