



# Newsletter

## 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Dear parents

I am immensely proud to let you know that we have been awarded the Primary Science Quality Mark - Outreach. This is the highest standard of award a primary school can receive and is testament to the incredible high quality provision that we have here at Osidge. I shared with you last year about the model environment that we have set up in our Early Years that is used as an exemplar to other schools and about the work that we were doing with other schools collaborating on science. We hope to build on that work this year. My huge thanks to Mrs Mahir for spearheading this initiative and to all the staff for the time and input they have given to this.

We've also been awarded the Silver Games Schools Mark! This recognises the number and range of sporting opportunities that we are able to give the children both as part of the core curriculum and enrichment out of school. Our new *Sports Week* (rather than sports day) model in KS2 very much supports these sorts of opportunities. A massive thank you to Mrs Littleford for the fantastic dedication she has to sports learning.

The children had a very special opportunity this week to show our values of *care, responsibility* and *appreciation* at the Harvest giving event this week. Years 3-6 carried and physically gave the donations from Osidge families and I was so proud to see the incredible generosity of the school community for this very worthwhile and much needed facility. Thank you to everyone for their support.

In year groups - 5M were out and about this week at the Science Museum as part of their topic *Stargazers*. Thanks to all the parents who came along to support. Y2 had great fun day filled with plank walking, maps and ship building as part of their Pirate Day.

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor and the opportunity to apply (nominations) will be opening in a couple of weeks time. If this is something you are interested in, it is always worthwhile speaking to one of the current governors about being a governor (email [governors@osidge.barnetmail.net](mailto:governors@osidge.barnetmail.net)) or feel free to speak with me - catch me in the playground or arrange via the school office.

Have a lovely weekend

Jen Brodkin

### Playground Equipment

Please **DO NOT** allow children to play on the playground equipment before or after school.

Thank you for your co-operation

### Osidge Blog

Harvest Festival- St Andrews Church

<https://www.osidgeschool.org/blog/harvest-festival-at-st-andrews/> -

### October 2023

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Reception Curriculum Meeting 6.30pm
- 5<sup>th</sup> 5R trip to Science Museum
- 5<sup>th</sup> Year 4 trip to British Museum
- 10<sup>th</sup> World Mental health Day
- 13<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Parent Sharing Event 9.10am
- 13<sup>th</sup> Parent Support Group 2.30pm
- 17<sup>th</sup> 5M Parent Sharing Event 9.10am
- 19<sup>th</sup> 5R Parent Sharing Event 9.10am
- 18<sup>th</sup> Year 1 Parent Sharing Event 9.10am
- 23<sup>rd</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> Half Term**
- 31<sup>st</sup> Year 5 Roman Workshop

### Diary

#### November 2023

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Fireworks Display (save the date)
- 15<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Fire of London Workshop
- 21<sup>st</sup> Parents Evening (more information to follow)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Parents Evening (more information to follow)
- 24<sup>th</sup> Year 6 RAF Museum
- 29<sup>th</sup> Year 3 Volcanoes & Earthquakes Workshop

#### December 2023

- 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Book Fair
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Last Day of Term- Normal Finish Time**

#### January 2024

- 8<sup>th</sup> Beginning of Term



**It's Hello Yellow Day!**




**On Tuesday 10th October 2023 we will be wearing a yellow accessory** to show that little things make a big difference! Wear yellow to brighten up someone's day and show each other we are not alone with our emotions. At school, we will discuss that all feelings are okay and we will explore ways to manage them and how to find support if needed.

**Saying #HelloYellow on 10 Oct for World Mental Health Day?**



If your child does not normally have school lunch but would like to try on 5<sup>th</sup> October please let the office know



# Mr Nourish's Birthday

Thursday 5th October 2023



Burger in a Bun <sup>1,5</sup>	Salad Bar
Vegetable Nuggets <sup>1,VG</sup>	Herby Diced Potato
Jacket Potato with a Choice of Toppings <sup>7,8,9</sup>	Birthday Cake <sup>1,9</sup>
Sweetcorn	Jelly Pots
	Fruit Pots

## Competition

**DESIGN A BIRTHDAY CARD FOR MR NOURISH**

**HAND IN TO THE CATERING TEAM**

**PRIZES TO BE AWARDED ON HIS BIRTHDAY**



Diets marked with any of the following numbers contain the matching allergen: Allergen code: (1) wheat, (2) gluten, (3) crustaceans, (4) soybean, (5) Mustard, (6) Sesame, (7) sulphites/sulphur dioxide, (8) Milk, (9) Fish, (10) Eggs, (11) Peanuts, (12) Nuts, (13) Cereals/Cakey, (14) Nuts, (15) Lupins, (16) Red Dye, (17) Strawberry, (18) Other, (19) Choice



## Christmas card Competition

### Years 3- 6

The overall winner will have their work published on the MP's website, will be featured on the front of the MP's Christmas card and a press release will be sent out to the local papers.

There will also be four best runner-up entries who will also have their work published.

- All entries must be submitted to your children's class teachers no later than **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October.**
- Entries must be posted by the school and they need to have the **full name, age and school on the reverse of the artwork.**
- All entries must be done on an A4 and unfolded white paper in portrait format.
- Entries could be published in media and local literature.

## Parent support Group

Our next parent support group will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 2:30pm in the Sanctuary. Parenting can be extremely rewarding but can also have its challenges. This group is an opportunity to discuss constructive ideas around raising children.

**This session we will be looking at helping children reflect on their behaviour using a 'Restorative Justice' technique. This is the main method we use at school when talking to children about their choices.**

The group is also a great way to meet other parents and carers for practical and emotional support. It can be helpful to share ideas with other parents and reassuring to meet other parents experiencing similar concerns or worries

Sarah Ostroff  
Inclusion Lead

Sharon Gordon Kaye  
Learning Mentor



Thank you to Waleed for donating  
books to the school library



Thank you to Tiana for donating  
a book to the school library

## OSA AGM

Join our OSA AGM on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 9am in the School Canteen.

**All welcome!**

Come along to find out more about how parents support the school,  
share your views and get involved.

**Make A Difference**  
**Volunteer**

# Osidge Families Coffee Morning

Friday, 6 October, 9AM

All welcome!

Free tea, coffee and  
biscuits.

Please bake and  
bring something if  
you can (no nuts!)

*In the Canteen*

Come  
along to  
meet other  
parents!



## **Osidge Fireworks 2023!**

Friday, 3rd November, 6pm-7.30pm

Join us for a great evening of fun and fireworks in support of the school.

Tickets on sale in early October