

## **Newsletter** 11th July 2025

## Dear parents

Y6 treated us to a wonderful production of Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits. What a fun, funny and fabulous show it was! From the set design to the programme, the singing to the staging, the casting to the stage and tech crew it was such a beautifully put together show. The children caught the humour and delivered; along with the soloists and chorus singing the audience was swept away with the energy from the stage. My huge thanks to the staff for their time, patience and creativity pulling it all together.

On Tuesday some Y5 children had the opportunity to try out their debating skills at a Barnet-wide event at Middlesex University. Having the confidence to speak up and share their views in front of others is a great skill to develop and Osidge's work in school on oracy is setting the foundations for this. Well done to everyone who took part. Reception enjoyed a sunny day under the shade a their picnic in Trent Park. A lovely way to mark the end of their first year at Osidge. Thank you to the parents who were able to support.

Today, Y5 & Y6 had an important road safety workshop, as part of their transition towards more independence. We all want to keep our children safe but it is important that we teach them how to grow up independently and safely. Crossing a road is one of those first steps towards trusting them to manage in the big wide world.

We are delighted to support the Southgate Children's Literature Festival which is on this Saturday and welcome author JD Okoro to talk to share his book Scruffapillar with the children this afternoon. It is always a real treat to hear directly from the author and an important opportunity for children to relate to and connect with 'behind the scenes' of a book. You can find our more about what is going on at the festival here.

Please see the email that has gone out today with important messages about arrangements for the last week of school.

It's going to be another hot one - have a lovely weekend!

Jen Brodkin Headteacher

## Diary

**July 2025** 

18<sup>th</sup>

15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Leavers Ceremony **Sept 2025** 

1st **Inset Day School Closed for Pupils** 2<sup>nd</sup> **Inset Day School Closed for Pupils** 

> 3<sup>rd</sup> **First Day Back for Pupils**

**Last Day for Pupils 1.30 finish** 

## Mini Mentors and Play Leaders

Thank you and well done to our fantastic Year 5 Mini Mentors and Year 6 Play Leaders this academic year! Our Play Leaders have shown wonderful dedication and kindness, giving up their own lunchtime to set up fun games and lead activities for younger children, helping to make playtimes active and joyful for everyone. Throughout the year, our dedicated Mini Mentors have done an outstanding job supporting their peers, helping to resolve conflicts calmly and kindly, and making sure that all children feel happy and included. We are so proud of the positive difference you are all making to our school community — well done!

Next Year's Year 5 and Year 6 pupils can also look forward to the opportunity to become Mini Mentors and Play Leaders and make a positive difference in our school community. More information will be provided about how children can apply next academic year.











## **Online Safety Newsletter Summer 2**

https://www.osidgeschool.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Online-Safety-Newsletter-Summer-2.docx.pdf

Thank you to Arda
For donating books to his class library.
Hope you enjoy celebrating your birthday



## **Summer Reading Challenge**



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# Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The **Summer Reading Challenge**, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a FREE, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme is **Story Garden**, where imagination blossoms and stories grow! Children will explore creativity, storytelling, and the magic of books through exciting activities and adventures.

## Why Join?

- It's FREE! Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a lifelong love of reading
- Boosts confidence, creativity, and imagination
- Earn rewards, certificates, and prizes
- · Fun for the whole family. Visit your local library together
- 95% of children said they read more after joining!
- Children choose their own books to read over the summer, collect rewards for each milestone they reach, and receive a certificate or medal when they complete the challenge.



Help your child start their reading adventure today!



#### **Woodwind Lessons**

There is availability from September for woodwind lessons with our wind teacher Adrienne Wilson. Flute, clarinet and saxophone can be started from y4 but will depend on the size of the child.

If you would like your child to learn a wind instrument it is recommended that they start on the recorder which is also available from y3.

If you have any questions please contact

Adrienne Wilson on adriennemusic@outlook.com



#### **Guitar Lessons**

There is availability from September for guitar lessons with Toby

If you would like your child to have lessons please contact tobyhampton8@gmail.com



## Join the Southgate Children's Literature Festival Team!

The Southgate Children's Literature Festival is taking place on Saturday, July 12th, 2025, bringing a wonderful celebration of stories, creativity and community to various venues along Chase Side, including the Halo Theatre, The Southgate Club and St. Andrew's church.

To make the event truly special, we're looking for volunteers—whether you're a parent, a friend, or someone aged 16 and over, we'd love to have you involved!

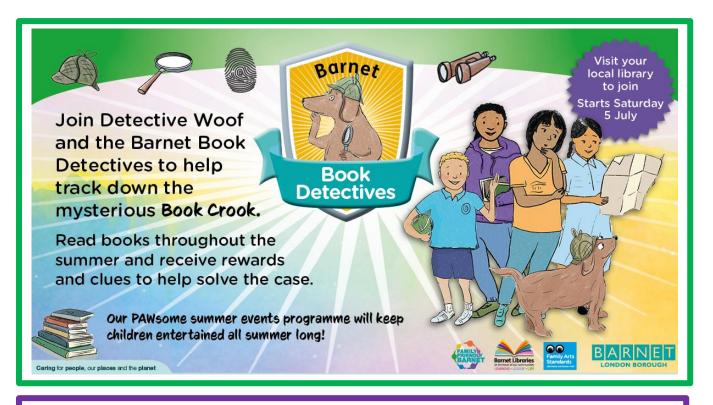
Volunteers will play a key role in assisting authors and performers with their events, helping guests navigate the festival, and ensuring everything runs smoothly. Whether you can spare an hour or the whole day, your support will make a huge difference!

Volunteers receive training, snacks and drinks, and the chance to be part of the festival community – oh and you get to see the shows for free. Want to be part of something special? Get in touch at <a href="mailto:info@southgatekidslitfest.org">info@southgatekidslitfest.org</a>—we'd love to have you on board!

<u>www.southgatekidslitfest.org</u> Instagram: southgatekidslitfest







## **Healthy Habits - Teeth**

Did you know that poor dental hygiene is the #1 reason children are admitted to hospital?

One in 5 children have untreated cavities in their teeth. That's 20%. Or 6 children in each class!

Dental treatment is free for children in the UK. Register with a local dentist to get your child's teeth checked.

Children should brush for 2 minutes every day. Best if you supervise them to teach them how to do it properly.

Dr Ranj explains all!

**NHS** guidance

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GHS27DHyli0

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Qa2K1CC3Hw

https://www.dentalhealth.org/oral-health-top-tips



Talbies estate agents are excited to propose a collaboration that could benefit Osidge Primary School and its community.

For every property sold / rented through an affiliation with the School, we will donate 10% of our commission directly to the school's PTA. This partnership not only helps families and staff find their ideal homes but also contributes to the school's development and programs.

#### Here's how it works:

- Anyone who mentions Osidge Primary School when listing, purchasing or renting a property with Talbies will be part of this program
- Those listing their property benefit from reduced special rates
- After the sale / letting is complete, 10% of our earned commission will be donated to Osidge Primary School

So, whether you are thinking about selling / letting your property or looking for a property to buy / rent; working with Talbies will mean working towards providing additional funds for your children and pupils Thank you for considering this opportunity to strengthen our community while supporting Osidge Primary School

## After School Clubs Please call the organisers of the clubs to book a place

Monday 3.15 - 4.30 Yr1 - Yr6

Woody's Football – 07961 437202

www.woodyssportsacademy.com

Monday 3.15 - 4.20 Reception - Yr6

Spanish Club – 07848 837924

Email: daniel@olespanish.net

Tuesday 3.15 - 4.20 Yr1 - Yr6

Minichef - 07946 507119

Email: saritakapur14@gmail.com

Tuesday 3.20 - 4.20 Yr4 - Yr6

Crotchet Club - 07432 423571

Email: <a href="mailto:dontmakemeplush@gmail.com">dontmakemeplush@gmail.com</a>

Tuesday 3.20 - 4.20 Yr3 - Yr6

RoboThink (coding) – 07888 871387

Email: bookings@stem-club.co.uk

Tuesday 3.15 – 4.15 Y1-Y6

Abacus Maths Club 07824067068

Wednesday 3.15 - 4.15 Rec - Yr2

RoboThink Stem Club - 07888 871387

Email: bookings@stem-club.co.uk

Wednesday 3.15 - 4.20 Yr1 - Yr6

French Club- 07587159327

Email: Imen3354@hotmail.co.uk

Wednesday 3.15 - 4.30

Dare & Acrobatics Club - 07469 731 801

Email: d2dcompanycic@gmail.com

Thursday 3.15 – 4.30 Rec – Y2

Art Club 07921845330

Email: namitajain123yahoo.co.uk

Thursday 3.15 - 4.20 Yr1 - Yr6

Minichef - 07946 507119

Email: saritakapur14@gmail.com

Friday 3.20 – 4.30 Y3-Y6

Art Club Year 07921845330

Email: namitajain123yahoo.co.uk

Friday 3.15 – 4.15 Y1-Y6

Abacus Maths Club 07824067068

**Saturday 10.00 - 1.00** 

Stage Coach - 07435782533

Email: <a href="mailto:southgate@stagecoach.co.uk">southgate@stagecoach.co.uk</a>

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL AFTER THE
SUMMER BREAK ON WEDNESDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER