

# **Newsletter 06**

Term 1

09th October 2023

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### LAST DAY OF TERM

Last day of term, Friday 20th October, Children return to school on Monday 30th October

#### A POLITE REMINDER- RESPECT FOR ALL

A polite reminder that we are a school, that focuses on educating over 220 children to a very high standard. We have higher than expected results with amazing opportunities for pupils with a very low staff turn over, the school is a happy place to be! We recognise there may be times that you may not feel our service is meeting the needs of your child. In these instances we always welcome you to come and talk to us where you will be directed to the child's class teacher, or needing to escalate it further to our Assistant Principals or, if still needed, the Principal. We ask in each instance you are not aggressive or abusive towards us. For the first time in many years we have been made aware of some very poor behaviour from parents about other children, about staff or about our way of working. We aim to provide a great service. What we individually provide for one family may not be suitable for your family. We ask you to respect this and allow us to deal with your family in the way that we fit best suits their educational needs. Families who are aware that we may be offering a slightly bespoke programme to suit the needs of your child please do not encourage others to also ask for the same provision as this is not possible or suitable or sustainable in running a successful school that provides a great offer for all. Thank you to the 99% of parents who work so will us and respect this and who make us aware of situations developing. We love teaching and educating your children-please allow us the space to do this.

# **INSET DAY FRI 13<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER**

Don't forget it's an INSET day next Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. This means school will be closed to all pupils whilst teachers undertake training.



Mon 09th Oct	Tues 10th Oct	Weds 11th Oct	Thurs 12th Oct	Fri 13th Oct
-Afterschool club -Gymnastics Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6 -Parent & Child bike club Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	-World Mental Health Day  -PTA Meeting 2:30  - Afterschool club -Girls Football Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6 Boys Football Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	Happy Hat Day! Everyone wear a hat! £1 donation through MCAS appRec Stay and Read 8.45-9.30 - Afterschool club -Parent & Child bike club Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	- Afterschool club -Games &crafts Y1,Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	-Inset day -No children in school.
- Afterschool club -Gymnastics Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6 -Parent & Child bike club Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	- Afterschool club -Girls Football Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6 -Boys Football Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	-Parent Open evening 3.30pm Afterschool club -Parent & Child bike club Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	Thurs 19th Oct -Y3 Trip SS Great Britain -Y2 Class assembly - Afterschool club -Games &crafts Y1,Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5,Y6	Fri 20th Oct -Last day of term

## **PTA MEETING**



As the school year is now underway, we are keen to get to work on some exciting fundraising ideas. We want to raise vital funds for our school. If you are interested in joining our PTA, we will be having a welcome session on Tuesday 10th October at 2:30pm. Come along to find out more and to see how you can help. It would be great to see you there!

#### **NEW GATE**

We are doing all we can to make our entrance/ exit system a better experience for you. The new gate on Corbett has now been fitted and is fully functional- hurrah! We now need a period of time to test the system and let it all settle in. In this time we remind parents that the school site is a no car zone between 8:30-9:00 and 3:00-3:30. We will continue to use the red barrier at these times to help reduce the risk from vehicles on site. We are hopeful if we can keep the Corbett gate working, continue with the red barrier and recruit a facilities manager who can lead on this we may be able to look at re-opening the Corbett entrance. We will keep you posted on this. Ms Nelson and Affonso are also meeting with the Bristol Council School Street Scheme on Wednesday of this week to look at reducing traffic on Corbett Close. We thank you for your patience on all of this- this period of Atwood has been as hard for us as it has for you too! Let's keep working together!

#### **FACILITIES MANAGER**

To let you know that Muj is no longer working for Oasis. We are excited to get the recruitment process in for our new Facilities Manger. Thank you to Sarah who is undertaking some of this work in the interim for this role.

#### **PANTOMIME 2024**

We are very excited to share with you that the pantomime production of 'Sleeping Beauty' will be coming to OABL on Wed 3rd 2024. This is suitable for all pupils from N-Y6. You should have received an email today with more details. Payment (£3.50) is now open on MCAS for you to pay at your earliest convenience.



#### **SLT OUT AND ABOUT**

I'm sure you've noticed that as an SLT team we try and make sure one of the team is out and about to greet you at the start and end of each day. We love seeing you all and catching up with everyone before and after school. We usually stand on the Atwood Drive gate however this week we will be keeping and eye on our new Corbett Drive gate too as we want to make sure all is running smoothly! If you need to catch us and you haven't seen us on Atwood pop up to Corbett on your way round and we will be there!

# OPEN EVENING WED 18th OCTOBER FROM 3:30pm

We are delighted to welcome all parents in to school on Wednesday 18th October from 3:30pm. This will be an opportunity for you to see your child's work and find out a bit about how they are getting on. Entrance to open evening will be either via your child's class door or the main foyer- whichever your prefer. During the evening you will have a chance to speak to your child's teacher if you are worried or concerned about anything- however if you would like an actual appointment please sign up for one with your child's class teacher. If you are happy speaking to your child's teacher more informally as you look round there is no need to book an appointment.



# RECEPTION READ ALOUD WEDNESDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers into our classroom to read a story with your children. This will then be followed by an introduction to our phonics scheme 'Book Wings'. We can't wait to see you all! Mrs Weare and Mrs Fitz-Gerald

## YEAR 2 CELEBRATES JEWISH FESTIVALS

Year 2 has spent the month of September learning about the Jewish festivals of Sukkot, Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. During Sukkot dens are built as a remind of the time spent in the desert. Leaves and twigs are used to cover the tops and allow God's light through. We built our own dens on a small and large scale. We then observed Rosh Hasanah (a form of New Year) where Jews believe ways up your good and bad choices. The children shared tradition food shared at this time including, pomegranate, challah bread and honey. Finally, during Yom Kippur we thought about what we may have done in the past year that would need forgiveness. We shared these in class whilst practising our Habitude of forgiveness.







## ATTENDANCE CINEMA TRIP

We are so excited to be bringing back our very exciting cinema trip in December which is always a big hit with the children! Last year we were lucky enough to take our Attendance winners to see Matilda! We will be taking the children who have great attendance to the **Cinema in Cribbs Causeway**. **The attendance monitoring for this trip will start from - Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October.** The criteria for those being chosen (from Y1-Y6) to attend the trip will be filled up from the following criteria:



#### 100% attendance from 2.10.23 until the trip

We can't wait to take as many children as possible with us all you need to do is be in school every day and keep aiming for green attendance! Nursery and Reception children will also be rewarded in school for

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

Thank you to Rachel Marriot for joining us last Wednesday to lead our Harvest Festival celebrations. Well done to the children for singing and signing the Harvest Samba!! And a huge thank you for all of the donations to the Bristol North West Foodbank!



## **WE NEED YOU!**

At Bank Leaze we are always looking for ways to further support our children with reading! We are currently looking for a group of volunteers that would like to come in and do some 1:1 reading with our KS1 classes. The children really enjoying being able to share a story with an adult and volunteering in a school is great work experience! If you are interested in helping, please speak to Miss Pope on the Year 6 door on a Monday/Thursday on the gate on a Tuesday or send an email to info@oasisbankleaze.org and she will get back to you!





## **ECO TEAM GREEN FLAG AWARD**

Miss Gatling and the Eco Team are very pleased to announce that for a second year running we have achieved our Eco Schools Green Flag. This is a massive achievement and we are very proud of all the hard work our students have put into achieving this



## **ECO TEAM RECYCLING WEEK**

Eco Team will be launching Recycling week on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October. This will be a week to focus on recycling and to think about what materials can be recycled. We will also be launching our school uniform swap shop which will be an opportunity to bring in uniform that no longer fits your child and swap for uniform of a different size. This will happen on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October and be run by the PTA who will host this on the last Thursday of every month.

## **HAPPY HAT DAY IS BACK!**

Wear your Hat to school on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of October and support young people this World Mental Health Day! Taking part is easy: On Wednesday the 11th of October wear your comfiest, brightest, trendiest, funniest hat to school. Donate £1.

#HappyHatDay

Donations can be made via MCAS.





#### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

We are very excited to get out Black History Month learning underway! At Oasis we have a focus week on Black History Month during Heritage Week which will be the wc 16.10.23 for Bank Leaze pupils. Each class has a focus on what Black history month is all about and why it is so important and then spotlights particular black history both in history and modern day who have had a great impact on the world- we will also look at this year's theme of 'celebrating our sisters!'. Our Oasis curriculum is written to be inclusive. We make sure that people of colour are celebrated throughout the year in various topics, books and person studies that we undertake- this is very important to us. After our Heritage Week learning we will all come together as school to celebrate and share what we have learnt. You may want to support your child at home with their learning for Heritage Week too- here is a brief overview of what each class will focus on

Year 1	Marley Dias- An American school girl who noticed that the books she was reading in school were not represented to all students. Marley created a book list to make reading in schools more inclusive.
Year 2	Martin Luther King, Rosa Parks, Mary Seacole, Serena Williams, Katherine Johnson, Michelle Obama- Children in Y2 will begin to understand the impact of many different black people in all different areas and how they may have struggled to have their voices heard.
Year 3	Katherine Johnson and Lewis Hamilton- Children will build on their Y2 learning and look more in depth at Katherine Johnson and her role as a mathematician in the Space Race. Children will also look at Lewis Hamilton as black British hero and his dominance in formula one and is fantastic attitude to inspiring others.
Year 4	Naomi Campbell- Children will build on their Y3 learning of looking at black British heroes. Children will be guided to understand the impact of Naomi Campbell in the fashion world in a white dominated profession and then be able to focus on another black British hero of their choice.
Year 5	Building on their people studies in previous years children in Y5 will look at how and when Black History month was founded by Carter G Woodson. Children will look at some key movements in history that led to this time such a the Bristol Bus Boycott
Year 6	Children in Y6 will continue to be guided to understand that black history should not be seen as separate from other history. The children will work together as a class to understand more about the Black Lives Matter movement and why moments like this are important for everybody.





# Star of the Week!

A HUGE well done to this week's winners. You've worked really hard and have shown an exceptional attitude to learning!

1	Sophie	-For trying really hard with her independent writing.	
2	Kanika	-For: her enthusiasm towards learning about out linked country and sharing her knowledge about India.	
3	Joshua	-For working hard to be self-controlled with his learning and using his place value knowledge to solve addition and subtraction questions	
4	Mohammed	-For his amazing progress in his writing this term. He has put great effort into his hand-writing and his overall work.	
5	lvy	-For excellent work in English when writing a poem and for great work in class.	
6	Theo	-He has shown great resilience this week, produced some fantastic writing and has a brilliant attitude to learning.	
Teacher	Miss Neal and Miss Briggs	-For all their hard work with Sunset Explorers. We are loving having Wrap Around Care at OABL!	

WEEK 5 ATTENDANCE 02Oct – 06th Oct				
Reception	93%			
Year 1	96%			
Year 2	98%			
Year 3	97%			
Year 4	93%			
Year 5	92%			
Year 6	97%			
Whole School	96%			

# **OASIS HABITS**





# WHO AM I BECOMING? October

Following on from September, this month we are looking at Who am I Becoming? We will be focusing on who we want to be as we grow up.

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- Be able to make the connection between their attitude, choices and behaviours and as a result become more self-aware.
- Be a pleasure to be around and create a positive environment for others.
- Have developed greater inner confidence and peace and for this to influence the incredibly positive impact on their external behaviours and choices.

