



Oldbrook News

Newsletter 1

Wednesday 9th September 2020

Welcome back to a new school year at Oldbrook First School and a particular warm welcome to all of the new children and families who are joining us this term in Nursery and Reception. I hope that you all had an enjoyable summer break and that your child has enjoyed returning to school. It was lovely to see happy and smiley children coming into school this week, looking smart in their uniforms. There has been a fantastic buzz in school and we are all pleased to be able to educate your children once again in school. Unfortunately due to the restrictions in place with COVID-19 we are unable to host our usual assemblies, harvest festivals and productions for the near future to ensure that we keep our community safe. However, we are in the process of thinking how else we can celebrate what our amazing children can do and promote our community links. Please look out over the coming weeks for key dates for this year. If you have any thoughts or ideas then please let us know!

All information can be found in the returning to school booklet which has previously been sent out on ParentMail; a copy can be found on our school website. It is important that the whole school community abides by the systems in place to minimise the risk of coronavirus. Thank you for keeping the line moving on drop off and pick up. Please ensure your child has all of their belongings in their hand and that you have said your goodbyes so that they can walk straight to their year group doors once at the end of the line.

At this time parents/carers are unable to come into school, so if you would like to speak in more detail about something specific then please contact the school on 01908 604689 to make an appointment.

Over the past few weeks staff have been working hard, creating exciting learning environments ready for the term in line with our COVID risk assessment. Thank you to all staff. Miss Kirkbride and Miss Carrington have done a fantastic job ensuring the school is sparkly clean ready for the new term.

We look forward to working in partnership with you over the coming year.

Kind regards

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Headteacher



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Staffing Update

As you may be aware, Miss Jarman retired at the end of the last academic year but will be returning to undertake some part-time teaching. Mrs Dunkley has successfully been appointed as our new Assistant Headteacher and I know that you will all join me in congratulating her on her new role.

Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club runs daily from 8:00 until 8:45 at the cost of £1.50 per day. Children have the option of cereals, toast and juice as well as time to play with a range of toys and games. Places are limited and a waiting list is kept when full. If you would like any further information or to register for a place then please speak to a member of staff in the school office or download an application form from the school website.

Playtime Snacks and Water Bottles

In line with our healthy school policy children in Year 1 and 2 may bring in a piece of fresh or dried fruit or vegetable for morning playtime and a water bottle. Please do not send in biscuits, crisps or sweets. Children in Foundation Stage will be provided with a piece of fruit or vegetable daily. All children are given a piece of fruit or vegetable in the afternoon as part of the Government's fruit and vegetable scheme.

School Uniform

Oldbrook First School has a bright and practical school uniform which we believe will help the children to adopt a community identity. The following are our agreed school colours and uniform expectations. School uniform can be purchased with the school logo from the school office or from Maises shop in Wolverton www.maises-superstore.co.uk

Boys Uniform	Girls Uniform
Black or grey trousers or shorts	Black or grey skirt, pinafore or trousers
White Polo Shirt with or without school logo	White Polo Shirt with or without school logo
School sweatshirt, cardigan and/or fleece in royal blue with the school's logo; all children must wear either a school jumper or cardigan.	School sweatshirt, cardigan and/or fleece in royal blue with the school's logo; all children must wear either a school jumper or cardigan.
Black shoes or trainers	Black shoes or trainers
	Summer Dress – Checked navy blue
	Hijab – Black or Blue (single colour not patterned)
	Plain tights (white / grey / blue) only
	Simple hair bands and ties only
No jewellery except stud earrings (children need to be able to remove these by themselves for PE).	

School Uniform Continued...

Children are expected to be able to dress and undress themselves, so clothing that is easy to manage is recommended. Short-sleeved polo shirts are much easier for young children to manage than blouses/shirts with small buttons. Please ensure that all uniform is named including shoes.

Children need to wear sensible shoes to school. High-heeled shoes, strappy sandals, clogs and other unsuitable footwear should not be worn for safety reasons.

If you are planning on having your child's ears pierced please wait until the summer holidays so there is enough time for them to heal before they need removing for PE. Earrings can only be studs. No other jewellery should be worn.

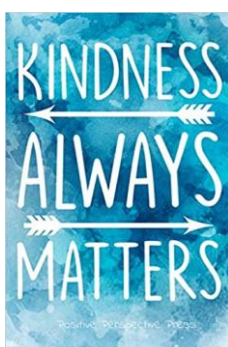
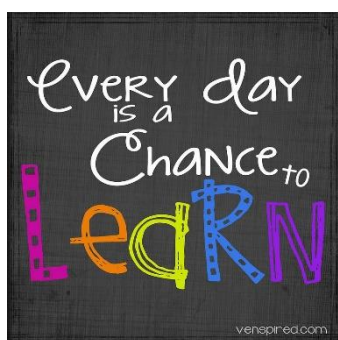
School Dinners

School meals at Oldbrook First School are now provided by St Paul's Catholic School. The meals this week have been of a high quality and the children have really enjoyed eating them. Thank you for your patience in ordering school meals. If you have not already done so please logon through Wisepay to order your child's meals for the rest of the term. All orders need to be received by midnight on Wednesday for the following week. We offer a full hot meal service with meat, vegetarian and jacket potato options. St Paul's operate a 3-week menu which was sent out via ParentMail and is also on our school website. All families should have received an email with details of how to order using the online ordering service - Wisepay. The Wisepay system is managed by St Paul's School and any queries should be addressed to them. If you have not received a link please e-mail office@oldbrookschool.co.uk

Please note that at this time we are unable to accept packed lunches from home; all children will need to order a hot school meal through Wisepay.

Supervision

Children must be supervised at all times before and after school whilst on the school premises. Cycles and scooters are not to be used on the playground during this time or left at school during the school day.



Coronavirus information for parents/carers (September 2020)

For general advice about COVID-19, contact your health visitor/school nurse service on: 01908 725100 (SPA) or cnw-tr.0-19adminhub.mk@nhs.net

