

# Oakhill Primary School NEWS BULLETIN

11 January 2019

## Notices

A very Happy New Year to all our families, I hope you had a restful break- the children have certainly come back rested and ready for the new term ahead. I would also like to welcome the families who have joined us this term, your children are settling in very well and making new friends already.

**Winter Carnival:** Tonight, Saturday and Sunday nights from 6:30 to 9pm Waltham Forest is hosting a free non-ticketed Winter Carnival to launch the start of 2019 as the London Borough of Culture. There will be music and light shows in and around Lloyd Park and the Town Hall. Please find out more by following the link.

<http://www.wfculture19.co.uk/welcometotheforest/details>



## Dates for Next Week

### Clubs start back

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January**  
9.00am Reception Parent  
Information Session

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January**  
3.00pm Year 2 Class Assembly


**Being 'Green':** Last term pupils from across the school shared their suggestions for what it means to be on green and the expectations that they have of each other. A final list was compiled by the Pupil Parliament and shared with pupils on Monday which I would like to also share with you. Pupils expect each other to show;

- good manners
- positive learning behaviours
- respect at all times
- focusing on learning
- respecting other people and property
- listening to adults
- being kind, polite and helpful
- being the best that they can be
- telling the truth

Pupils from Reception to Year 6 have been allocated a team; Honesty, Respect, Resilience or Aspiration. Pupils can earn green points for their team. Please ask your child about it!

**Saturday School:** Pupils in Year 6 have been attending Saturday school for several weeks now and have been very positive about the experience. There are still a few places so please sign your child up, it's not too late! We are also offering a Year 2 Saturday school for the first time this year. Parents of children in Year 2 have been given letters and we have already got children signed up to attend. Thank you for your support.

**Reminder:** Children are expected to wear correct kit to school on P.E days. Children who do not have black trainers will be given plimsolls to wear for the day.



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**Reminder:** If you have a child who was born between 01.09.2014 and 31.08.2015 you need to apply for a school place by January 15<sup>th</sup> in order for him/her to start Reception class in September 2019. If your child currently attends a school Nursery this **does not** give you an automatic place. We have had almost 100 families visiting Oakhill and many have said that they have heard that it is a great place to be, others said that it had a welcoming and happy atmosphere. Thank you to the Prefects who have done such a great job of showing our visitors around the school.

**How can I help my child to learn?** I am really pleased to let you know that Mary Neilson will be running sessions for parents on how to help their child to learn starting in February. She is very experienced and has run these sessions with great success in many schools. The sessions will be on Wednesday afternoons from February 27<sup>th</sup> to March 27<sup>th</sup>. More detail will follow.

**Parent meetings:** Last term a meeting for parents of children in Y5 and Y6 was held and was an important opportunity for communicating the values, vision and expectations that I have as Head of School. This meeting will be repeated for parents of children in younger year groups and a chance for those who did not attend to do so. Dates will be communicated to you very soon.

**Cup of Kindness:** This week children in Year 1 have been voting and have chosen Elsie because she never says anything unkind to anyone, she helps her friends, has a good sense of humour and has good manners. Congratulations!

## Star of the Week

**Year 1** – James for showing positive learning behaviours and always being polite.

**Year 2** – Arda for a fantastic effort in everything this week and for being kind and helpful.

**Year 3** – Clementine for being a role model and for growing confidence in Maths.

**Year 4** – Miah for simply being Miah, a polite, well-mannered young lady and a delight to have.

**Year 5** – Ewsu for making a fantastic start to the New Year and sharing positive learning behaviours.

**Year 6-1** – Joe for constantly showing good manners.

**Year 6-A** – Krystal for always being ready to learn and trying her best.

## Upcoming Dates

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**

Year 5 British Museum  
Reception & Year 6 – Hearing &  
Vision Check

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

Year 1 Science Dome at Thorpe  
Hall

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January**

INSET Day – School Closed

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January**

Year 6 – Science Museum Trip

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February**

3.00pm Year 1 Class Assembly

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February**

Year 6-One Class Assembly

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February**

Year 4 Mayan Workshop

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February**

Year 3 – The Crystal Trip

## Attendance

**Week: 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**Highest: 98.6% = Year 3**

The school operates a zero tolerance approach to absence during term time,  
for further information please refer to our attendance procedures.

***If your child is unwell, please report his/her absence on the  
ParentMail App***

Find us online at

[www.oakhillschool.org.uk](http://www.oakhillschool.org.uk)

Please note that the school does not accept  
email correspondence from parents

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