



# Oak View Primary and Nursery School

Dear Parents

The end of the Autumn term has descended upon us so quickly; the speed at which the terms and years go by highlights the reality that our children have only one chance and we must ensure they receive the best education at Oak View. A big thank you to all those parents who found the time to attend reading in the class, parent consultations, assemblies, parent courses and many more opportunities which have been available. I do hope in the New Year we can build on this and you will find the time to work in partnership with the school.

At the beginning of the Spring term, I will send out an evaluation form for you to review the quality of provision and share any ideas for enhancement.

The Christmas productions are always a show stopper and I am sure those parents with children in Early Years and KS1 are very proud of the way they showed enjoyment, enthusiasm and so much energy; a fantastic effort by all!

A big thank you to all members of staff at Oak View who work tirelessly to ensure the children and the community receive the best service.

I wish you all the very best during the Christmas break and look forward to seeing everyone return in the New Year in good health and happiness.

## NEW STAFF / LEAVERS and OTHER STAFF NEWS

During this term, we have welcomed **Mr Hallett**, Teaching Assistant (TA) in Cezanne class (Y6), **Ms Barry**, TA in Matisse class (Y4), **Mrs Orebiyi**, TA in Renoir class (Y3), **Ms Thomas**, TA in Turner class (Y2), and **Ms Brooks** who has also joined the Teaching Assistant team in Seurat and Turner classes (Y1/Y2).

In the New Year, we are welcoming to Oak View the following new Teaching Assistants : **Mr Huggins** in Early Years and Matisse, **Ms Thrale** in Turner class and **Ms Alecks**, as well as **Ms Johnston** and **Mr Jankowski**.

**Mr Newton** is also joining us as our new teacher in Seurat class (Y1) as, sadly, we are saying goodbye to **Miss Northen** and **Mrs Legg**, wishing them all the best in their new posts. **Mrs Kaur** from KS2 has also left us recently, and we wish her every happiness in her new role.

On a very happy note, we are pleased to announce that our TA in Year 6, **Miss Shi**, had a baby boy in November named Louis.

## END OF TERM

Please note that school ends at 1.30pm on Friday 18th December and re-starts at 8.50am on Tuesday, 5th January.

## NURSERY & RECEPTION APPLICATIONS

Please note that application deadlines for reception and nursery places at Oak View are Friday, 15th January 2016 and Friday, 18th March 2016 respectively.

## CHILDREN IN NEED

We are happy to report that the School's *Children in Need* fundraising event this year raised **£342.55**, so thank you to everyone for your support.

## DIARY DATES



### **Spring Term 2016**

4 Jan	School Closed - Inset Day 2
5 Jan	Children return to school
15 Feb	Spring Half Term - School Closed
22 Feb	Children return to school
9 Mar	Miss Girvan out—Training Course
14 Mar	Shakespeare Week
18 Mar	Y4 Shakespeare Performance
21 Mar	Y6 Parent Teacher Consultations (All Day)
22 Mar	Parent Teacher Consultations
23 Mar	Parent Teacher Consultations
24 Mar	School Closed - Inset Day 3
25 Mar	School Closed - Good Friday
28 Mar	School Closed - Easter Monday
29 Mar	Children return to school
29 Mar-1 Apr	Spelling Bee
1 Apr	School closes for the Easter break at 1.30 pm

(please note that the end of term break between the Spring and Summer terms in 2016 does not coincide with the Easter weekend)

### **Summer Term 2016**

18 Apr	Children return to school
26 Apr	Miss Girvan out -Training Course
2 May	May Bank Holiday - School Closed
9 May	Y6 SATs Week
24 May	Celebrating Children Week
24 May	Miss Girvan out -Training Course
30 May	Half Term - School Closed
6 June	Children return to school
15 June	Sports Day
24 June	School Closed - Occasional Day
14 July	Secondary Transition Day
15 July	Reports Home to Parents
19 July	Year 6 Production
20 July	Year 6 Production
21 July	Year 6 Farewell Assembly
21 July	School closes for the Summer break - 1.30 pm
22 July	School Closed Inset Day 4
25 July	School Closed Inset Day 5

## VALUES EDUCATION – MANNERS

We are very pleased to recognise the improved attitude of all the community after our first value - manners - and the children are now earning marbles and certificates for thoughtfulness.

## PARKING

We have recently had a number of parking altercations between parents and would like to remind parents to please park considerately when bringing and collecting their children to and from school. Thank you.

## FOOTWEAR & SCHOOL UNIFORM

May we please remind parents that their children should be wearing appropriate footwear to school; this means black shoes for both boys and girls, and no trainers, soft shoes or boots. Children should also arrive in school every day wearing the prescribed uniform unless otherwise notified. Thank you.

## ONLINE PAYMENTS

May we please encourage all parents to use our School Gateway to pay for school items, including meals, milk, trips and breakfast club. This makes life easier for us and for you! Thank you.

## **ACADEMIC YEARS – 2016 / 2017**

### **Spring Term 2016**

4th January - 1st April  
Easter Weekend - 25th-28th March  
Half term - 15th-19th February

### **Summer Term 2016**

18th April - 25th July  
Half term - 30th May-3rd June  
Bank Holiday - Monday 2nd May

### **Autumn Term 2016**

1st September - 21st December  
Half term - 24th-28th Oct

### **Spring Term 2017**

5th January - 31st March  
Half term - 13th-17th February

### **Summer Term 2017**

18th April - 24th July  
Half term - 29th May-2nd June