



**Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Nov - School Closed - Occasional Day**



**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - End of Term - Finish 1pm**

December is only 3 days away and the holiday period is fast approaching us. Yesterday, the school sent out the arrangements for the run up to Christmas, with lots of activities planned for the children. It's such a lovely time of the year, BUT also very busy.

It was great to welcome parents and guardians to our parents evening. Both halls were busy with lots of positive feedback about how children were developing and improving at Oak View. Thank you for those kind remarks.

Again, the newsletter is showcasing all the opportunities the children have at school to grow as learners, but also new opportunities they are exploring. Already teachers are planning for January and we hope to have some new trips in 2025.

Please remember tomorrow the school is closed, so enjoy a lovely extended weekend.

*Mr Richardson*



**Children in Need Day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Nov**



On Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November, we supported Children in Need Day by wearing something spotty. We managed to raise an amazing **£285.63!** Thank you to everyone for taking part and their generous donations.



**Christmas dates**



Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Dementia 24music Concert at St Etheldreda's
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Choir to sing at Coronation Gardens 4.30pm
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Rocksteady Concert 9am
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Dress to Express Day
Weds 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Carol Service at St Etheldreda's Church
Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y1 to St Etheldreda's Church
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS1 Christmas songs around the tree
Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	EYFS Christmas songs around the tree
Weds 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas dinner, jumper day & movie afternoon
Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas party day
<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b><u>Term ends - 1pm</u></b>



## Christmas Festivities

### **Carol Service for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

KS2 children will attend St Etheldreda's Church on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December for a carol service in the morning. Children will be walking to Church. Unfortunately, parents will not be able to attend.



### **Christmas Songs around the Tree**

**Year 1 and Year 2 - Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.15am & 2.30pm**

**Nursery and Reception - Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 9.15am & 2.30pm**

EYFS & KS1 will be singing Christmas songs around the tree. More information will be sent out at a later date.



### **Christmas Dinner, Jumper Day & Movie Afternoon**

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

Children can wear their Christmas jumper for Christmas dinner day on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December. In the afternoon, classes will have a Christmas Movie afternoon.



Class parties will be taking place for on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December. More details to follow.

### Meal Orders - School Grid

We still have a lot of parents who are not using School Grid to pre order their children's meals. You can book your child's meal for weeks in advance and by choosing at home, you can make sure your child orders something they will like. You can order at home until 8.30am on the day. If you do not order in advance, your child may not get the meal they would like.

**We would like to remind you that school meals should be paid for in advance to avoid debts occurring.** Meal prices are currently £3.30 for KS2 children and £2.53 for Nursery.

If you have any problems logging in, please contact the office.

<https://schoolgrid.co.uk/>

### Values - Resilience

This half term the school value is resilience, which will be a high focus through our learning, assemblies, playtimes etc. We would like our children to understand to keep trying and not give up even when things are tough.

Please reinforce this at home and if your child demonstrates our value out of school, please let me know on the school gate.



### Year 3 Story telling workshop at St Albans cathedral

At the beginning of November Year 3 were lucky enough to visit St Albans Cathedral. We took the long walk through the park and were impressed as we could see the Cathedral from all the way at the bottom of a very big hill. After climbing the big hill, we headed inside where we were greeted by the storyteller for our visit. From there we headed into the nave of the Cathedral where we were told a very exciting story. We were amazed that our story teller did not use an actual book and made the story up just from her head! The next story she told us was one we got to help with. It was so exciting as she used different parts of the cathedral to tell the story. We had a great morning and really enjoyed being involved with storytelling.



## Open book assembly

On Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> November, the KS1 children enjoyed a wonderful assembly led by the organisation Open the Book. The team brought the story of Christianity and the birth of Jesus to life with an engaging and interactive presentation. The children were captivated by the storytelling and the costumes, and some were thrilled to have the opportunity to take part in the performance. It was a memorable experience that helped bring this important story to life in an engaging and meaningful way.



## Year 1 Uno Bus trip around Hatfield

On Tuesday 12th November the children in Year 1 had the opportunity to go on a private bus trip around Hatfield courtesy of UNO buses and Hertfordshire University. The trip was linked to their topic book called "The Naughty Bus". The book sees a bus getting into lots of trouble and causing lots of mess. The children thoroughly enjoyed our bus trip seeing the sights of Hatfield. We were lucky to have an amazing bus driver who knew how to please a crowd and did several extra circuits around the sights and roundabouts!! Our tour of Hatfield took us past Asda, Tesco's, McDonalds, the swimming pool, the railway station, the police station, the Galleria, the Comet Hotel and onto the business park where the children got to see lots of expensive cars in the showrooms.



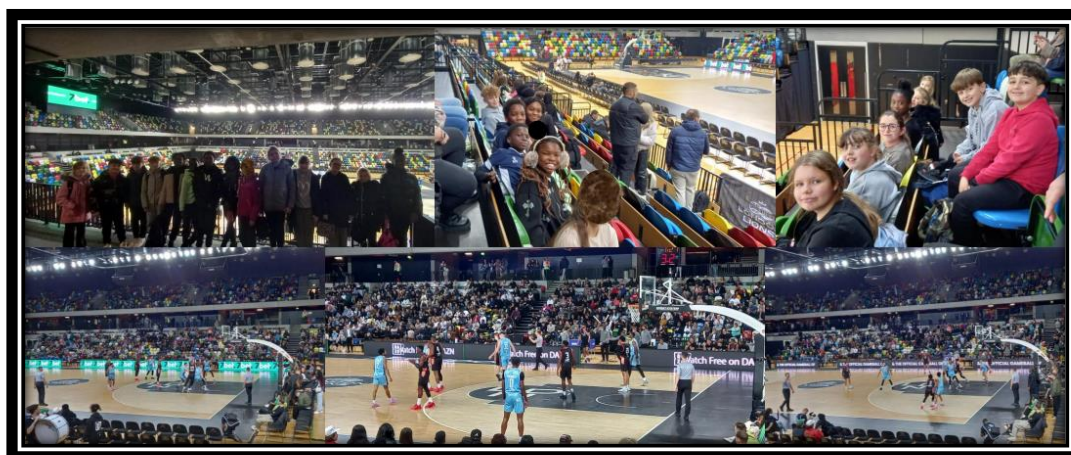
## Year 6 walk to Hatfield war memorial

Year 6 pupils walked to Hatfield War Memorial on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November to sketch the memorial and also look at the names of the soldiers who died in the World Wars. It was particularly poignant as it was Armistice Day and gave the children the opportunity to see the wreaths that had been laid. Year 6 are studying both World Wars and have been thinking about the importance of remembrance.



## Basketball at the Copper Box Arena

Some of our children had the opportunity to watch the London Lions play the Caledonia Gladiators at the Copper Box Arena on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. The children had a wonderful time cheering on and chanting throughout the game. The London Lion's won 98-76 and it was a great insight into what you can achieve with hard work and dedication to the sport.





## Futsal Festival at Onslow School

Onslow PE students led a Futsal tournament last week for Year 4 and 5 pupils. The teams were made up of 4 boys and 4 girls. Each team played a half each against five other local schools.

The games were quick, frantic and exciting. Oak View won 4 games and lost a tight fifth game 1-0. Overall, the team scored 21 goals and conceded 3.

All pupils were enjoyed the new experience and were a credit to Oak View.



## Multi sports event at Hatfield Leisure centre

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December, some of our Year 5 children had the opportunity to try out 8 different sports throughout the session. Ranging from balloon volleyball, golf and curling to name a few. The children were separated into groups so they could make new friends from the other school who were participating. Everyone enjoyed the session trying out the different sports.



### Important allergy information

Despite our reminders and posters around school, we are still seeing children bringing in nuts or nut-based products into school.

We have children and adults in school who have life threatening allergies.

**Please do not include nuts or nut-based products (i.e Nutella, peanut butter) and shellfish for either lunch or snack time.**

Please make sure you check labels for hidden ingredients.

Thank you for your co-operation.



**Peanut butter**



**Nutella**



**Nuts**



**Shellfish**

### Scooters and bikes

Despite repeated requests not to ride scooters and bikes within the school grounds, this is still happening.

We have had several incidents where people have been injured because of scooters and bikes being ridden around school.

Please dismount from your scooter or bike before entering the school gates and walk them round.

Thank you

### Road Safety

Unfortunately, again at the start of term the traffic congestion outside of school is a concern for the children's safety on a morning and afternoon.

Please ensure you try to park in a sensible location and when crossing the road your children are with you and not running.

Please keep safe.

## School uniform reminder

Girls - Purple and white gingham dress or a black/charcoal grey skirt/trousers/culottes and white polo shirt. Black shoes should be worn - No sandals/open toe shoes

Boys - Black/Charcoal grey trousers or shorts with a white polo shirt. Black shoes - No trainers



### From the Office .....

**Attendance** - If your child is going to be absent from school, please let the school office before 9.30am.

**Lateness** - We are still having a number of late arrivals in the mornings. Please try to get your child in school by 8.50am and collect at 3.10pm KS1 & 3.15pm KS2

**Communication** - Please make sure that all of your contact details are up to date and we have the correct ones on your child's records. It is important so we can keep you up to date.

### School Admissions Dates -

<b>Primary</b>	<b>Open 1/11/24</b>	<b>Close 15/1/25</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Open 1/11/24</b>	<b>Close 15/1/25</b>

More information can be found on the [HCC website](#) for Secondary and Primary admissions. Nursery application forms will be available from the school website.

## Diary Dates

Weds 27<sup>th</sup> Nov  
 Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Nov  
 Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Nov  
 Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec  
 Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan

Mackintosh to Lincolnsfield Centre  
 Morris to Lincolnsfield Centre  
**Occasional Day - School closed to pupils**  
**Term ends - 1pm**  
 Children return to school - 8.50am