



NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2017



For the Safety of your children please keep to the path when you come into school - avoid crossing the car parks or coming in through the car park gates.

LATE ARRIVALS

Nursery starts at 8.30 am and school starts at 8.45 prompt. Please make sure your child is in school by this time. It can be unsettling for your child if they join the class late, it can disrupt the rest of the class and can affect your child's attendance.

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL ON TIME AND READY FOR THE SCHOOL DAY

ATTENDANCE

We have listed below the current percentages for each class for the first half of the summer term. Each class should be aiming for a minimum of 96% attendance and parents' support in getting each class to reach or exceed this target is greatly appreciated.

Buttercups	91.6%	Daffodils	97.7%
Daisies	93.3%	Sunflowers	95.0%
Tulips	95.0%	Oaks	97.2%
Poppies	97.7%	Willows	95.9%

Well done to *Daffodils and Poppies* who have the joint highest attendance for the first half of the summer term

Summer Fair

This year's Summer Fair will be held on Saturday, 8th July 12.00 pm – 3.00 pm.

There will be lots of fun activities and plenty of prizes on offer. We do hope you can join us for this lovely family event.

We hope to use any money raised to help to us install a new sports pitch and re-develop the nature area.

Phonics Workshops

Thank you for attending the Phonics Workshop we held last half term. We hope this was useful. Please ask Class Teachers if you would like any more advice or information on phonics

Reminder - Induction Evenings:

Wed 21st June at 6.00 pm
Thurs 22nd June at 6.00 pm
Thurs 6th July at 5.30 pm
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New Nursery Classes
New Reception Classes
New Year 1 Classes
New Year 2 Classes

Please help us to combat parking problems

If you have any complaints about parking near to school please report it to Sandwell Council:
contact@sandwell.gov.uk

Thank you.

Early Collection of Children

In recent weeks we have experienced increasing numbers of requests to collect children early from school. Can we remind you that children should only be collected before the end of school in exceptional circumstances. We ask that, where possible, all appointments are arranged out of school hours. We appreciate that emergencies can occur but removal of children before the end of school can be disruptive to your child and the rest of their class.

Messages from the Governors

We would like to thank everyone who voted in the recent election for a new Parent Governor. The successful candidate was Mandy Thompson who we look forward to welcoming to the Governing Body.

Attendance Week – 19th – 23rd June

Week commencing 19th June is attendance week in our school and in many of the schools in the Tipton area. We will be celebrating good attendance during this week. We would like all pupils to aim for 100% attendance if possible although we are aware that, when children are really poorly, they cannot come into school. On Thursday 22nd June, as part of attendance week, we are having a dress up day 'What I Want to be When I Grow Up'. We look forward to seeing what the children hope to be in the future.

Attending school on a regular basis is the key to your child doing well at school and will set them up with good habits for later life. It will also give your child the opportunity to:

- Make friends and feel included.
- Learn new things and develop skills.
- Increase confidence and self-esteem.
- Improve social skills.
- Have better career prospects.
- Achieve their potential and fulfil their aspirations.

**Every day matters,
every lesson counts**

Dates for Your Diary	
Wednesday 14 th June	Year 2 Graduation Photos All School – Class Photos
Friday 16 th June	9.00am – Daffodils Assembly Reception – Trip Non Uniform – Bottles/Chocolates for Summer Fair
Tuesday 20 th June	Year 1 – Victorian Day
Wednesday 21 st June	Year 2 – Theatre Group: Great Fire of London 6.00pm Nursery Induction Evening
Thursday 22 nd June	6.00pm – Reception Induction Evening Dress up day – ‘What I Want to be When I Grow Up’
Friday 23 rd June	Year 1 – Trip to Black Country Living Museum
Monday 26 th June	Eid Celebrations
Friday 30 th June	Year 2 – Trip to Tamworth Castle (Uniform to be worn for trip) Non Uniform Day – Sparkle Jars for Summer Fair
Wednesday 5 th July	Nursery & Reception Seaside Day
Thursday 6 th July	Year 2 Visit to Ocker Hill Academy 5.30pm Year 1 Induction Evening 6.30pm Year 2 Induction Evening
Friday 7 th July	Non Uniform Day – Cakes for Summer Fair Reports to Parents
Saturday 8 th July	Summer Fair 12.00pm to 3.00pm
Thursday 13 th July	Year 2 – Summer Ball
Friday 14 th July	Nursery – Inspire / Open Day School Open Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm
Monday 17 th July	International Week
Tuesday 18 th July	Year 2 - Leavers Concert: 9.00am Willows 2.00pm Oaks
Wednesday 19 th July	African Masks - Year 1 / Year 2 African Drumming – Reception / Nursery
Friday 21 st July	Break Up

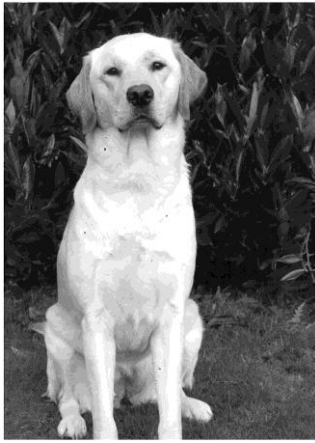
Non-Uniform Days – Donations for Summer Fair

A big thank you for all the donations sent in on Non-Uniform Days so far. There are 3 more non-uniform days before the big day on 8th July. They are:

- Friday 16th June – Bottles/Chocolates
Friday 30th June – Sparkle Jars (*please note this is a change to the list on the April Newsletter*)
To make a sparkle jar you need a clean, empty jar or tub that you can decorate and fill. In the past we have had jars filled with sweets, small toys and toiletries.
We look forward to seeing the imaginative ideas you come up with.
Friday 7th July – Cakes

Reminder – School Website

Please remember to visit the school website at www.ocker-inf.sandwell.sch.uk There is a school calendar showing up-coming events as well as lots of other useful information.



Goldie is the dog School sponsors for the Guide Dog for the Blind Association. It's been a while since we last shared news but Goldie is now fully grown and has progressed onto advanced training which is going really well. Goldie is becoming more responsible and independent and learning the skills needed to become a good Guide Dog.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR LITTLE STARS

Congratulations to all of the children who have achieved awards in activities outside of school.

