



Dear Parents and Families,

We are almost at the end of a term like no other! Our thanks to all for your continued patience with changes and some disruption since September, and the vigilance in your families, which has meant that the HPT confirmed that “all is in hand at Oak Green”, with no suspected in-school transmission, despite having 11 positive cases this term - all well-managed with your kind cooperation, care and prompt actions.

As we return to Tier 2, please see the link here for advice on what this means for us:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/938047/COVID-19_Tier_Posters_2020_Final_High.pdf



‘Reverse Advent Calendar’

As you recall, our Harvest collection this year is for Aylesbury Vineyard, who support families, including those at our school, through financial hardship, with foodbank provision.



We will continue to collect throughout January with staff and family donations. If you are able and wish to contribute this month, to our collection, please pass items of (non-fresh) food, toiletry gift and bathroom items to a member of staff, any time before the end of term. **The need is greater than ever this year and our support can make a difference. Thank you.**

The staff are also supporting Barnados with donations to this charity for children, instead of cards and *Secret Santa*.

Good News Postcards

Has your child received a ‘good news’ postcard for going above and beyond in school?



Keep an eye out in The New Year for the post, to see if one arrives home. Well done to everyone who has received one so far – we are **very** proud of you.



A message from your Governing Board

Dear Oak Green School community,

It’s hard to believe that we’re approaching the end of the autumn term, in what has been one of the most challenging year of our lives.

I am so proud that we’ve got through it together. We all have so much to be thankful for and we couldn’t have done it without our most important quality – kindness. We are committed to creating a safe and happy environment for our wonderful children.

On behalf of the Governing Board, I would like to thank you all for your continued support. May I take this opportunity to wish you a peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year. Please keep safe.

Ms A Khokher
Chair of Governors



Spotlight on...

The Office

Our friendly, approachable team is here every day to help you and to answer any questions. The school office is open for phone calls from 8am, and should you need to see someone in person, from 8.30am.

If you need to update contact details, email addresses etc., please speak to our **School Administrators, Ms Pedersen** and **Mrs Aitchison** on the front desk. Alternatively you can email the information to admin@oakgreen.bucks.sch.uk

If you need to report a child’s absence please call the office on **01296 423895** by 9am or email attendance@oakgreen.bucks.sch.uk

COVID - The reception area is not very large so in order to maintain social distancing, please wait outside if the staff are already dealing with parents/children/visitors.

Thank you for your support and patience.

Office Manager – Mrs Anyon
School Business Manager – Mrs Bagnall

Poppy Appeal

Thank you for your kind generosity which raised £103.20 for the Poppy Appeal.





Christmas Arrangements

As you will have seen on last Friday's letter and on the 'forthcoming dates', our Christmas celebrations are a little reduced this year, sadly especially musically, but we hope to enjoy ourselves nonetheless.

(Please note that Christmas cards are only for others in the class, in by Friday 11th December, please.)

Forthcoming dates:

(Thank you Mrs M for the request for these.)

- W/b 14th Dec.: Virtual Christmas Panto / concert in school (Oh no it isn't!)
- Tues. 15th Dec.: Christmas party day (see the separate letter sent to parents)
- Weds. 16th Dec.: Christmas lunch for those who have ordered
- Weds. 16th Dec.: Christmas Jumper Day @£1
- Fri. 18th Dec.: Last day of term (usual end of day timings)
- **Mon. 4th Jan.: INSET day - school closed** to all pupils, for staff training
- Tues. 5th Jan.: School re-opens, staggered starts continue as in the autumn term
- Weds. 6th / Thurs. 7th / Fri. 8th Jan.: Transition Days for new children to Nursery
- Fri. 5th Feb.: NSPCC Numbers Day - information will be sent nearer the time
- Tues. 9th Feb.: Safety Internet Day
- Fri. 12th Feb.: School closes for half term - 1 wk
- Parents' evenings – to be advised

... and please remember to keep an eye on the website calendar:

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
30	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

DEC 18 End of term 3.15pm All day



OGS 'Who to Contact?' guide

Please see the poster in the notice boards and on our website for guidance on who to speak to in school.

Classroom staff are available at the end of the day and leaders every morning on the gates. Please call the office for any appointments. We hope to get back to you as soon as we can and hope that as restrictions allow to once again meet 'in person'!



Blue Peter

Have you heard of the launch of [Blue Peter on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter) at CBBC? It is the longest running children's TV show in the world! Videos for 5-11 year olds uploaded, with world

record breaking challenges, arts and crafts, cooking and baking, environmental videos, inspirational films, gaming, celebrity appearances, dance routines and music performances. And you can find how to get a Blue Peter badge, behind-the-scenes footage and content about presenters. Interested parents can subscribe to <https://www.youtube.com/bluepeter> - (it's completely **free**. The live programme is on CBBC at 5.30pm every week, or on BBC iPlayer too!

Playground Equipment and Supervision

This is **NOT** for use before or after school. Please supervise your children closely.

Lateness

Well done to all those who arrive on time every day. You are making the most of your day! There are far too many children arriving late, however. From January, we will not have children routinely having to sign-in at the front entrance. This is not for child access.



Face Coverings – Thank You

Please do continue to wear masks on the school site.



Houseplant plea!

Thank you to those of you who have donated house plants! The first of these was delivered by **OB in 4A** – Thank you! We'll take any plant – any condition...

Enjoy your holidays, keep to the Christmas guidance, stay safe, have fun and we'll see you in January!



Kind wishes,

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