

OLIVER GOLDSMITH PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Inspiring a love of learning"

Celebrating 80 years 1938-2018

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Dear Parents & Governors,

One of the ways we enrich our curriculum is by holding "Learning Adventures" that unite the school. This year we have already had a Reading Adventure in the autumn term and a PE & PSHE Adventure in the spring term. You will remember that last spring we held our last whole school Learning Adventure entitled "I Love London". Earlier this week we launched our theme for 2018 and would love for you to be a part of the journey!

2018 is a very significant year as it is when we celebrate our 80th Birthday. On 8th February 1938, the school began to inspire a love of learning and it has carried this ethos and message proudly and successfully through 80 years.



OGPS is a special place for so many people, for current and past pupils, members of staff, governors, parents, families and many members of our local community.

It falls to those of us at the school this year to make sure we celebrate in style and that the best of OGPS from over 80 years shines brightly for all to see! This is our chance, our time to shine and make sure the 80th celebrations become a magical memorable moment in the school's distinguished history!

This year's Learning Adventure is therefore named **"OG@80"**. Our aim is to get #80yearsmatter trending on twitter and Facebook as much as possible to really put our school on the social media map; to do this we need **YOUR HELP** sharing or re-tweeting our posts!

During the Learning Adventure, which begins on Wednesday 20th June, each class chooses an aspect of **"OG@80"** and prepares to teach other pupils and visitors about their own learning in a fun, memorable and inspiring way.

Their challenge begins NOW! They will have time to learn as much as they can about the last 80 years before showing off their skills and knowledge to other children, teachers, governors, parents and guests next half term!

We want to inspire our children to become leaders of learning! We want them to become leaders in their groups and leaders in their classrooms. Their journey to become a successful leader, manager, CEO, Headteacher or even future Prime Minister starts here!

Their classrooms will be transformed into an inviting and exciting learning zone; with each class trying to make theirs unique! They will plan some creative practical activities for their many guests that will teach them all about an aspect of the last 80 years!

On **Friday 29th June, 9.00-10.30am**, parents and families are welcome to come and join the adventure and see our children as leaders in action, teaching you all about what they have become an expert in!

As it is a special occasion, we will be opening the school on **Saturday 30th June, 11am-3pm** for an amazing celebration day where lots of past pupils, past staff members as well as past and current families will come back to the school. There will be tours around the school and visits to the amazing learning zones! So if you cannot come on Friday, make sure you pop in on **Sat 30th June**. It will be a great day to remember as I'm sure our school and zones will impress all our visitors; showing them what a fantastic school OGPS is as well as inspiring them to learn about the last 80 years!

We would love you to be part of our OG@80 Learning Adventure; we will write to you again closer to the events with further details. If you think you can help us in any way with our 2018 Learning Adventure, if you have links to, are an expert in any of the classes chosen topics below about OG@80 or can offer any other support, please do get in contact with us; we would really appreciate your support.

The class zones for 2018 will have the following themes...

Class	Theme	Class	Theme
Nursery	Nurseries 1938-2018	3P	Best Books of 80 years
Reception	What can you do in 80 seconds?	4A	World Events
1B	Playground Games over 80 years	4B	TV & Radio
1O		5A	80 reasons why or things to inspire!
2AY	80s for the 80th	5C	80 Facts about OGPS
2D		6J	80 things you MUST know!
3L	Popular Stories of the last 8 decades	6S	80 things to learn before you leave OGPS!

Each year, our children and staff respond brilliantly to their challenge and visitors, parents and guests have always been very impressed with the high standard of our children's work, their skills and confidence in teaching others about what they have discovered.

We look forward to another fantastic Learning Adventure, one which builds on our previous successes. I know that together we will mark our 80th celebrations with great pride and leave a legacy to last until the school reaches its centenary in 2038!

Yours sincerely,
Mr James Simmons
Headteacher