



# OLIVER GOLDSMITH PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents & Carers,

### **ANTI BULLYING WEEK 2017**

Monday 13th Nov is the beginning of National Anti-Bully Week. One of the ways we will be demonstrating our commitment is by supporting “**National Odd Socks Day**” on **Monday 13th November**. On Mon 13th Nov, children, staff AND parents are encouraged to wear odd socks to school as a reminder of the week ahead and a reminder of the theme that we are all different but all equal. We look forward to seeing some bright and eye catching socks that capture the many ways we are all unique at OGPS! Do watch our Twitter account for photos!!!!



### **SCHOOL COUNCIL 2017-18**

In today’s meeting, our year six pupils gave speeches to persuade the rest of the council to elect them to the positions of Chair, Vice Chair, Business Manager or Accountant for the rest of the year. I would like to congratulate on their superb speeches and can tell you that the leadership of our School Council for the year ahead is as follows;



**Max, 6S as Chair of School Council & Shehreyar, 6J as Vice Chair**  
**Swathy, 6S as Business Manager & Sara, 6J as Accountant**

Our School Council have also decided to support **Children in Need** in the autumn term. They are fund raising by holding a “**Mad or Bad Hair Day**” on **Friday 17th November**. All children and staff are encouraged to come with mad or bad hair and make a donation to Children in Need. Our aim is to raise **at least £600** and as an extra incentive, I have promised the School Council that if they raise this amount or more, I will extend their morning break, lunch time and afternoon break on that day, each by 5 mins giving an extra 15mins of playtime over the course of the day!

Children should still wear school uniform on Fri 17th Nov but can make their hair as mad or bad as they can! Children may colour their hair with their parents’ permission, but this must be done at home, not at school. We look forwards to seeing some creative hair styles!

Best wishes,

**Mr. James Simmons,**  
**Headteacher**



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In the last parent survey, parents requested a calendar of dates for the academic year. Over this and the next page you will find all the key dates. The following dates are in the school website calendar. Some dates may be subject to change!



### Dates for your Diary...

Mon 13th Nov:	Anti-Bullying Week begins - ODDS SOCKS DAY!
Tues 14th Nov:	Parent Time open for all parents "Anti-Bullying" 9.00-10.00am
Friday 17th Nov:	School Council Charity: Supporting Children in Need with Bad or Mad Hair Day!
Weds 22nd Nov:	Parent Time for Nursery & Reception Parents 9.00-10.00am
Fri 8th Dec:	Y3 Hanukah Assembly - Y3 Parents invited from 9.00am
Mon 11th Dec:	Theatre Production in school for Reception, Y1, 2, 4 & 5
Tues 12th Dec:	Y3 visit Pantomime at Millfield Theatre
Thurs 14th Dec:	Christmas Fair Donations Day!
Fri 15th Dec:	Non-uniform day and Christmas Jumper Day!
Fri 15th Dec:	Y2 Nativity - Y2 Parents invited from 9.00am
Fri 15th Dec:	OGPS Christmas Fair in the afternoon led by Y6 Pupils & our FFG Team
Mon 18th Dec:	Christmas Party Afternoon
Tues 20th Dec:	End of Autumn term at 1.30pm

*(If you have problems with childcare, please speak to the office)*

### Key Dates for the Remainder of the School Year

#### Spring Term 2018

Weds 3rd Jan:	Staff CPD Day - <b>Children NOT in school</b>
Thurs 4th Jan:	Children return to school from 8.40am soft start.
Mon 8th Jan:	Clubs start
Mon 8th Jan:	Maths Times Tables Week!
Fri 19th Jan:	Be bright, Be Seen Day!
Mon 29th Jan:	PE & PSHE Learning Adventure Week
Mon 5th Feb:	E-Safety Week
Tues 6th Feb:	Safer Internet Day 2018
Mon 5th March:	Parents Evenings will be held this week, more details to follow...
Fri 9th March:	French Day
Weds 28th March:	Y4 Easter Assembly, parents with children in Y4 invited to from 9.00am
Thurs 29th March:	End of term at 1.30pm

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#### Summer Term 2018

Mon 16th April:	<b>Children return to school from 8.40am soft start.</b> Clubs start this week
Mon 16th April:	Maths Times Table & Competition Week!
Mon 23rd April:	Y5 Gordon Brown Residential Week (4 nights Mon-Fri)
Mon 7th May:	Bank Holiday - School Closed!
Mon 14th May:	Walk, Scoot to Bike to School Week!
Fri 18th May:	Reception Assembly, parents with children in Reception invited to from 9.00am
Fri 25th May:	Y1 Vesak Assembly, parents with children in Y1 invited to from 9.00am
Fri 8th June:	Y5 Eid Assembly, parents with children in Y5 invited to from 9.00am
Mon 11th June:	OGPS Proms Week!
Weds 20th June:	Whole School Learning Adventure begins
Fri 29th June:	Parents Visit Learning Adventure Zones
Sat 30th June:	OGPS 80th Birthday Celebration Day! <b>(PUT THIS IN YOUR DIARY NOW!!!)</b>
Mon 2nd July:	EYFS Sports Day
Weds 4th July:	Performing Arts Concert Evening Concert
Fri 6th July:	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day (to be confirmed! - this date may change!)
Mon 9th July:	Optional Parents Evening
Weds 11th July:	Transition Day
Sat 14th July:	PSA Summer Fair (date to be confirmed by PSA, this may change)
Thurs 19th July:	Y6 Leavers Assembly, parents with children in Y6 invited to from 9.00am
Fri 20th July:	End of term at 1.30pm

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