



# OLIVER GOLDSMITH PRIMARY SCHOOL



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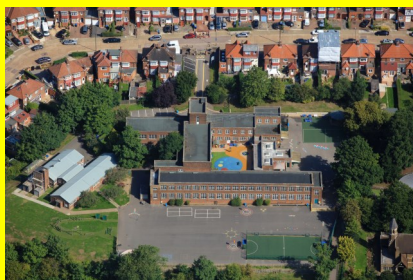
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Dear Parents & Carers,

With just a few weeks to go until the end of the school year, there is lots going on across all year groups!

<i>Fri 28th June:</i>	<i>Parents are invited into join the learning adventure and visit our zones, 9.30-10.30am</i>
<i>Mon 1st July:</i>	<i>EYFS Sports Day at OGPS (afternoon)</i>
<i>Fri 5th July:</i>	<i>KS1 &amp; KS2 Sports Day at Hendon Football Club (afternoon)</i>
<i>Thurs 11th July:</i>	<i>Performing Arts Concert Evening Concert - Dance the night away!</i>
<i>Sat 13th July:</i>	<i>FFG Summer Fair - an event not to be missed!</i>
<i>Tues 16th July:</i>	<i>Transition Day - children meet their teachers for 2019/20</i>
<i>Thurs 18th July:</i>	<i>Y6 Leavers Graduation Assembly</i>

We started our summer learning adventure, "OG Entrepreneurs", which you can read more about later in the newsletter. Please come and join the adventure on Friday 28th June 9.00-10.30am and see what the whole school has been up to!

Don't forget to come along to our Sports Days, EYFS Monday 1st July in the afternoon in our nature reserve area and KS1/2 Friday 5th July in the afternoon at Hendon Football Club in Silver Jubilee Park.

Our Family & Friends of Goldsmith, FFG, are looking for parents to help make the summer fair on Saturday 13th July a fantastic event! If you can spare an hour, please let the FFG know through the school office. Come along and join the fun!

I am pleased to announce that our OGPS Read-a-thon raised a grand total of £1109. The money raised will be used to make a donation to the 'Send my friend to school' charity chosen by our school council this year. As well as this, some books will be purchased and donated for children to read at Northwick Park Hospital.

**Planning ahead for 2020 - The government have changed the date of the early May Day Bank Holiday from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May to coincide with the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe, VE Day. The school will be open on Monday 4th May 2020 **BUT CLOSED ON FRIDAY 8th MAY 2020.****

Best wishes,  
**Mr. James Simmons,**  
Headteacher



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Wednesday, 19 June 2019

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 technology & engineering adventure in the autumn term "Lights, Camera, Action!" and a science adventure in the spring term "Let it Grow!" You will remember that last year we held our last whole school Learning Adventure entitled "OG@80". Today we have launched our theme for 2019 and would love for you to be a part of the journey!



Many people say that children should know more about money, finance and the world of work. At OGPS we want to give children the best start in life so they can go on to become whatever you want to be! So, this year's whole school Learning Adventure is named "OG Entrepreneurs" and we want to inspire them about what it means to be a successful entrepreneur.

During the Learning Adventure, which begins today, each class chooses an aspect of "OG Entrepreneurs" 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 aspects of being an entrepreneur before showing off their skills and knowledge to other children, teachers, governors, parents and guests at the end of the adventure.

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 being an entrepreneur.

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> 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!



Inspired to ★ care ★ cooperate ★ communicate ★ create ★ celebrate





We would love you to be part of our "OG Entrepreneurs" Learning Adventure...

If you think you can help us in any way, if you have links to, are an expert in any of the classes chosen topics below or can offer any other support, please do get in contact with us; we would really appreciate your support.

*The zones for 2019 will have the following themes...*

Year	Theme	Year	Theme
Nursery	Numbers & Counting	Y3	Travel & Bureau De Change
Reception	When I grow up I want to be...	Y4	Advertising & Sustainability
Y1	Money & Coins	Y5	Making £5 Grow
Y2	Banks	Y6	Careers Advice Corner

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.

Yours sincerely,  
Mr James Simmons  
Headteacher





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**Oliver Goldsmith Family & Friends** would like to thank the following local businesses who have proudly supported this year's **Oliver Goldsmith's Summer Fete** with raffle prizes, cash and food donations. Look out for the raffle tickets which will be going out soon – help buy as many as you can and come along and support our fete on **Saturday 13 July from 12-3pm**. everyone is welcome! Thank you

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# **BLOOD DONATION SESSION**

## **SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019**

**Morning Session: 8.55am - 12.30pm**

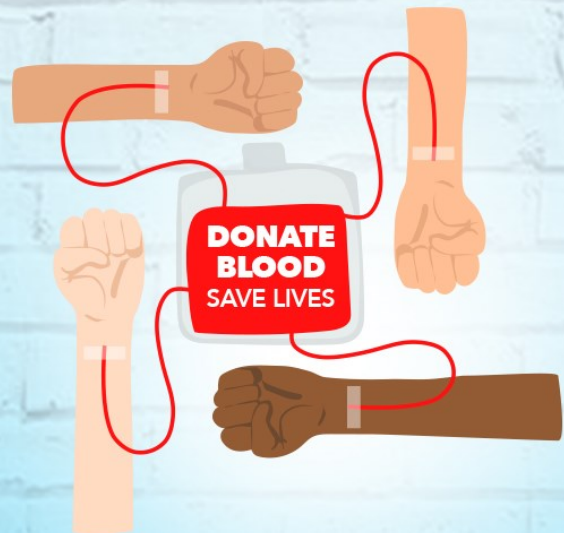
**Afternoon Session: 2.00pm - 4.00pm**

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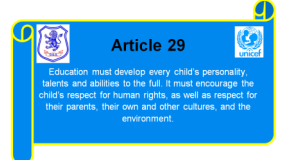


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## OGPS is a "Rights Respecting School"

Next half term we are focussing on the following themes and articles...

- Trooping the Colour - Compassion & individual liberty
- Father's Day - Compassion
- Summer Learning Adventure - teamwork and creativity
- Our Community - Mutual respect & tolerance
- Our achievements this year - Success
- New class, New Year - Determination & confidence
- Memories, reflections, moving on - Achievement & success



### Safeguarding Zone: Internet Safety

The internet is a wonderful and quick way for young people to find information, help them study, keep in contact with friends, and even meet new ones. Unfortunately the internet is also an easy tool for child abuse. Paedophiles use chat rooms to become friendly with children or young people, often by pretending to be another child. Other risks include people who want to get personal information such as names, addresses or telephone numbers for acts of fraud. Using the internet too much can also lead to an unhealthy lifestyle which focuses on screen time rather than having a wider range of interests.

#### Keep it safe

- Keep an eye on what's going on by keeping the computer in a family room, rather than in a bedroom. Learn how to use a computer, access internet sites and try out a chat room for yourself, so you understand what can happen.
- Check out which sites your children are visiting to see if they are acceptable.
- Ask other parents to tell you about good chat rooms or websites for your child.
- Look for sites that monitor messages in chat rooms and those which include clear guidelines for use, child-friendly advice, warnings, and how to report concerns.

You can buy software filters which block access to websites with a sexual content. However, these don't make the internet totally safe, so it's still much better for you to take an active interest in the sites your child is browsing.

#### Set ground rules:

- Limit the amount of time your child spends on the internet - **and stick to it!**
- Discuss the kind of websites they can visit, which are suitable for their age.
- Make it clear to your child that they must never give out their real name, address, home or mobile phone numbers, or any other personal details, or post photos of themselves on the internet.

It's important that your child understands why there need to be rules.

Explain that because they can't see or hear the people they are chatting to on the internet, they may not always be who they seem.

Paedophiles gain the trust of young people on the internet; remind your teenager that strangers on the internet can be just as dangerous as strangers on the street. If your teenager keeps it secret when they are using the computer, if you notice changes in how they act, problems sleeping or changes in routine or if they are suddenly asking questions about sexual matters, you could look into whether their internet use has anything to do with it.





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

### Dates for your Diary...

#### Summer Term 2019

Fri 28th June:	Parents Visit Learning Adventure Zones, 9.30-10.30am
Mon 1st July:	EYFS Sports Day at OGPS (afternoon)
Thurs 4th July:	End of year reports are sent home today. Please return the parent reply slip by Fri 12th July so we know you have received the envelope and the contents.
Fri 5th July:	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day at Hendon Football Club, Silver Jubilee Park Parents are invited to join us from 11.30 onwards.... <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 11.30am - whole school picnic lunch (weather permitting)</li><li>• 12.10am - walk in classes to HFC in Silver Jubilee Park</li><li>• 12.30pm - sports activities begin</li><li>• 2.45pm - activities end and children walk back to OGPS</li><li>• 3.30pm - children dismissed in the normal way</li></ul>
Thurs 11th July:	Performing Arts Concert Evening Concert
Fri 12th July:	Letter sent home about new classes for 2019/20
Sat 13th July:	Family & Friends of Goldsmith (FFG) Summer Fair
Mon 15th July:	Optional Parents Evening, 3.50-5.30pm If you wish to meet your child's teacher to discuss their end of year report, please speak directly to your child's class teacher, alternatively contact them via the school office to make an appointment.
Tues 16th July:	Transition Day - children meet their new teachers today 9.00-10.25am
Weds 17th July:	Y6 West End theatre trip to see "Matilda". The final trip for our Y6 children!
Thurs 18th July:	Y6 Leavers Assembly, parents with children in Y6 invited to join us from 9.00am The assembly will start at 9.20am
Fri 19th July:	End of term and end of school year at 1.30pm (if you need support with child care, please speak to the school office)

***Please Note: Where changes to events need to be made, we will update parents via the newsletter and calendar on the school website. We try our very best to stick to the dates we set but sometimes changes are unavoidable.***





## DATES TO HELP PARENTS PLAN AHEAD....



### Term Dates for 2018-19

Summer Term: Tues 23rd April 2019 to Tues 23rd July 2019  
(with 22nd & 23rd July as CPD days - **children finish Friday 19th July**)

*Half term week Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019*

### Term Dates for 2019-20

Autumn Term: Mon 2nd Sept to Thurs 19th Dec 2019 (with 2nd & 3rd Sept as CPD days)  
Children (Y1-6) start on Weds 4th Sept  
*Half term week Monday 21st Oct to Friday 25th Oct 2019*

Spring Term: Monday 6th Jan 2020 to Friday 3rd April 2020 (with 6th Jan as CPD Day)  
*Children return to school on Tuesday 7th Jan 2020*  
*Half term week: Monday 17th Feb - Friday 21st Feb 2020*

Summer Term: Monday 20th April 2020 to Tues 21st July 2020\*  
*Children return to school on Monday 20th April 2020*  
*Half term week Monday 25th May 2019 to Friday 29th May 2020*

**NOTE: The early May Day Bank Holiday has been moved by the Government to Friday 8th May 2020 to coincide with the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE Day). The school will therefore be closed on Friday 8th May 2020.**

(\*Monday 20th & Tuesday 21st July as CPD days)

**NOTE: children finish Fri 17th July 2020**

**To confirm the Staff Training days are as follows for 2019-20**

- Monday 2nd September 2019
- Tuesday 3rd September 2019
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020
- Monday 20th July 2020
- Tuesday 21st July 2020

The dates for the 2020-21 academic year will be set and published to parents early in the autumn term of 2019.

*Don't forget to visit our school website which has lots of information about school life.*

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