



Oldbury Park Primary School

Weekly Words 20

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Dates for your diary

(Additions / changes in **bold italics**)

Mon 25 Feb	Return to school after Holiday Clubs on again this week
Wed 27 Feb	2.15pm Jade Morgan (FSW) to see parents– please ring ahead for appt
Fri 1 Mar	No Parent Assembly
Thu 7 Mar	World Book Day
Thu 7 Mar	PTA Bags4School Collection
Fri 8 Mar	9.15am KS1 Assembly
Mon 11 Mar	Science Week - Journeys
Tue 12 Mar	Year 3 Trip
Wed 13 Mar	2.15pm Jade Morgan (FSW)
Thu 14 Mar	Year 4 Tri-Golf Event at CWLC
Fri 15 Mar	Comic Relief 9.15am KS2 Assembly
Fri 22 Mar	No Parent ASsembly
Wed 27 Mar	2.15pm Jade Morgan (FSW)
Wed 3 Apr	Year 4 Trip – details to follow
Thu 4 Apr	Last Swimming Session - Year 4
Fri 5 Apr	6-8pm PTA Chocolate Bingo
Wed 10 Apr	2.15pm Jade Morgan (FSW)
Fri 12 Apr	Break up for Easter Holiday
Mon 29 Apr	Teacher Training Day No children in school
Tue 30 Apr	Children back to school
Mon 6 May	Bank Holiday – no children in school
Tue 7 May	Year 2 SATs for the next 3 weeks
Mon 13 May	Year 6 SATs this week
Fri 24 May	Break up for Half-Term Holiday
Mon 3 Jun	Back to School
Fri 21 Jun	Teacher Training Day No children in school
Fri 19 Jul	Last day of term for children
Mon 22 Jul	Teacher Education Day
Mon 2 Sep	Teacher Education Days
Tue 3 Sep	No children in school
Wed 4 Sep	Children back to school
Fri 25 Oct	Break up for Half-Term Holiday
Mon 4 Nov	Back to School
Fri 20 Dec	Break up for Christmas
2020 Dates	
Mon 6 Jan	Back to School
Fri 14 Feb	Break up for Half-Term Holiday
Mon 24 Feb	Back to School
Fri 3 Apr	Break up for the Easter Holiday
Mon 20 Apr	Back to School
Fri 22 May	Break up for Half-Term Holiday
Mon 1 Jun	Back to School
Mon 20 Jul	Break up for Summer Holiday

Parent Consultations

Just a reminder that the cut-off time for booking an appointment is Monday 9.00am, after which the system is locked.

NO Clubs this week

Well-being and Go Green Week

No Reception/Year 1 / Year 3 Forest School this week

Mon	11	Feb	Children to wear PE kit / track suits 3.30pm Year 6 friendly tag rugby match
Tue	12	Feb	-
Wed	13	Feb	Walk to School Wednesday Forest School – 2LJ 4.30-7pm Parent Consultations
Thu	14	Feb	3.30-6pm Parent Consultations
Fri	15	Feb	Bake-a-Cake for PTA funds and “End Polio Now” – see below 9.15am – KS2 Assembly – All Welcome Break up for Half-Term Holiday

Aspens

Aspen's telephone number is now 01905 427197 if you want to speak to Sonia, our school cook. Lunch Menus are changing after February half term so please look out for the new menus by the end of next week. These new menus will run right through to the end of the school year.

Attendance

Week Ending: 1st February 2019

Class	Percentage	Total number of children arriving late to school
4M	98.57 - Well Done	95
3C	97.24	
2LJ	96.25	
2KJ	96.09	
Oak	96.07	
4A	95.33	
3M	94.64	This was 97 last week – it's going in the right direction! Thank you.
Ash	92.42	
5M	92.00	
5S	92.00	
Willow	91.79	
6H	91.29	
6W	89.00	
MAB	85.00	

Child Mental Health

Thank you to all those of you who attended the Child Mental Health Session last night. It was lovely to see so many of you there. Certainly food for thought for everyone.

Wellbeing Week

Next week we have got a very exciting week planned. The focus for the week is wellbeing. Each day the whole school will be focusing on a different theme. Please check that your child's allergy information is up to date. Thank you.

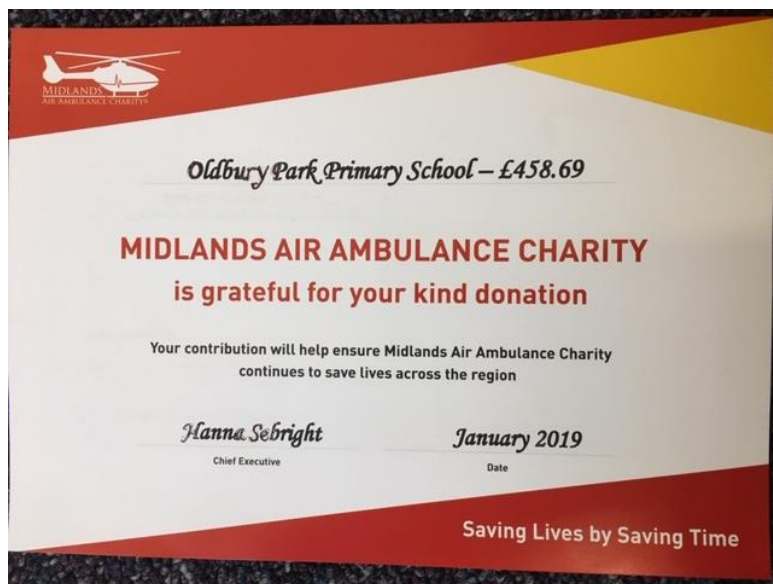
	Theme	Things to note
Monday	Physical	All children to come to school wearing PE kit / track suits (no football strips please)
Tuesday	Mindfulness	
Wednesday	Healthy Eating	KS2 children to bring in a piece of fruit please. Free fruit and lunches will be available in the usual way for KS1 and those eligible in KS2
Thursday	Cultural: Individual Liberty	
Friday	Friendship	

500 Word Competition

BBC Radio 2 launched their annual 500 word competition this week. The competition is open to children aged 5 to 13 and is an excellent opportunity for children to show off their creative talents. Last year, 134,790 children from around the country entered and we had our biggest uptake as a school. Winning entries are read out by well-known celebrities such as David Walliams and Jim Broadbent, an amazing experience in itself. The children also have an opportunity to win a number of other prizes, including their story being professionally published as a book. Entries can be submitted online using BBC Radio 2's website and all entries must be submitted by 7pm on Friday 8th March 2019. Could your child be a future author?

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p00rfvk1>

Jamie Mills - English Coordinator



Thank you to everyone who contributed to raising **£458.69 for the Air Ambulance** in the post-performance collections at Christmas.

Reception / Year 1 WOW Day

On Thursday the Reception and Year 1 children enjoyed our Teddy Bear Wow Day. The children brought in a bear from home to spend the day at school. They took part in a variety of exciting activities throughout the day, including decorating biscuits, making jam sandwiches and weaving.

In the afternoon the children and their bears enjoyed a teddy bears picnic, sharing our sandwiches and biscuits.

It was a lovely day and the bears were all very well behaved!

Year 3 Roman Clay Pot Parent Workshop

On Wednesday, Y3 had an exciting afternoon making Roman clay pots with their parents using a design they had created.



First, we made the base by kneading and squashing a ball of clay. We then carefully divided our clay into small pieces and rolled "sausages" to coil into a pot. After much perseverance, our pots grew and grew. Next, we had to concentrate on smoothing the joins to ensure our pots were strong and sturdy.



Finally we carved in Roman inspired patterns and pictures into our pots and admired the results. During the afternoon we were very impressed by the collaboration and communication skills shown by all. Thank you to all who attended for your wonderful support and making the afternoon such a success. The Year 3 Team



The Base visit Worcester Snoezelen

This week, the Base joined Worcester Snoezelen for a very special Royal Visit. Located just next to the University, the Snoezelen is a multi-sensory environment for people with additional needs and disabilities. This year, they are celebrating their 25th anniversary and His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester attended to commemorate the occasion. The Base pupils felt very lucky to be invited and had a wonderful time exploring the soft play zone and relaxing in the calming white room. Did you know that the word 'Snoezelen' was coined by joining the Dutch words 'snuffelen' (which means to snuggle) and 'doezelen' (which means to snooze)? Mrs Kay – Base Teacher





Safer Internet Day 2019

On Tuesday, it was National Safer Internet Day. Once again, school marked the day with assemblies on the theme of keeping safe on-line, followed up by activities, circle time and discussions back in classes. We focused on the ideas of using the internet responsibly, being respectful on-line, being creative and using the internet in a positive way. Another key focus was the idea of 'consent', and what this means in relation to posting and sharing things on-line. The children engaged really well with all the activities and discussions, and continue to show an excellent understanding and attitude towards internet safety. Online safety forms a key part in Safeguarding and is taught as an on-going element of the computing curriculum. But, being part of the national event helps to raise the profile of this important and very current issue.

Mr Burnage – E-safety Lead



#OurInternetOurChoice Understanding consent in a digital world

We can use the internet to learn new things

#SaferInternetDay2019 UK Safer Internet Centre

Together we can make a better internet by being:

Responsible:

- Always be kind when texting
- Report anything that you don't find right.
- Websites that suit your age
- Not giving out your own information
- Talk to people who you know

Respectful:

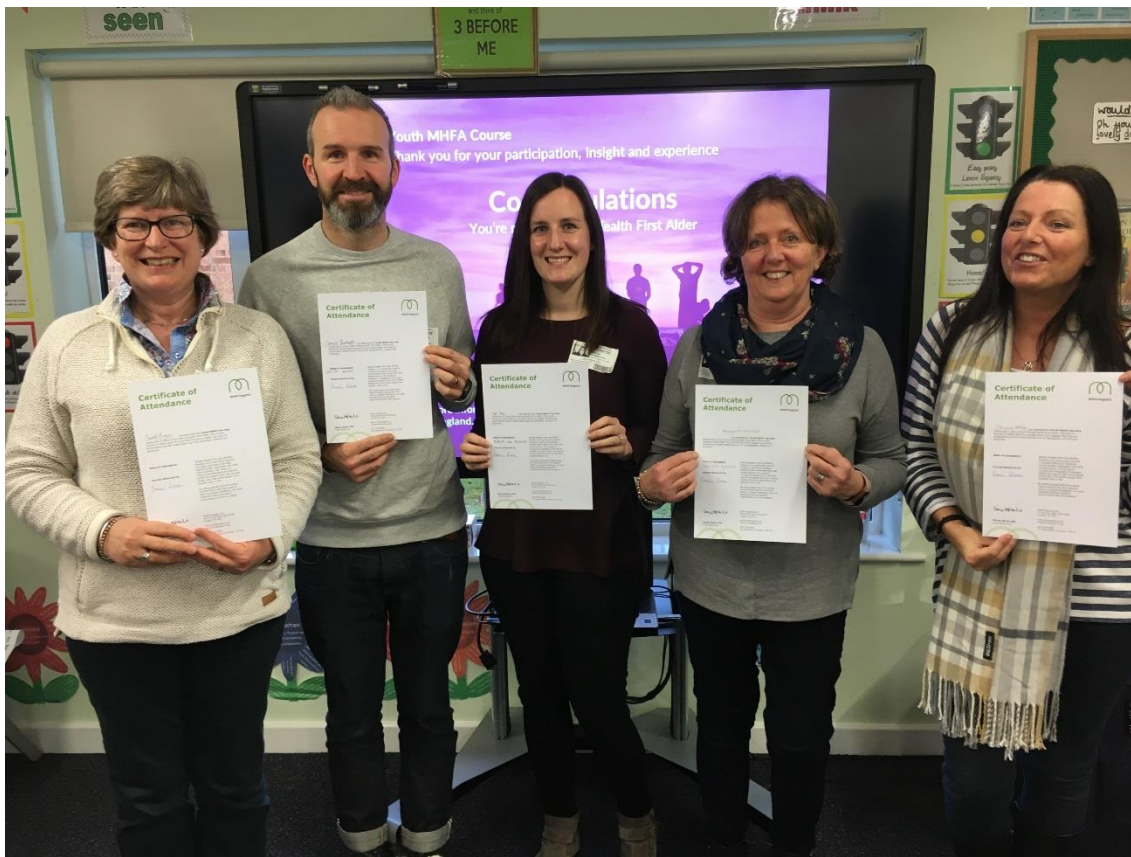
- Don't hurt other people's feelings.
- Respect people on your phone.
- Find comments
- Be polite with your comments.
- Don't treat people differently on how they look or talk

Critical:

- No Negative comments
- You don't always have to say yes, to posts on the internet
- You don't always have to respond to messenger or pictures.
- If you comment on someone's work or message be kind.

Creative:

- Using a website that you find fun, make sure it's secure.
- Playing games on consoles or PC's.



Mental Health First Aid Training

These members of staff were very pleased to be able to attend training on mental health first aid.

It was very thorough training which they hope will benefit the children at Oldbury Park.

Here they are with their certificates.

End Polio Now

On Friday, the school is raising money for this important cause, run by Rotary. The school thinks it is important that our children think about children around the world and their different needs. This is one way of trying to address that. Here's a little bit of information about it:

Poliomyelitis, often called polio or infantile paralysis, is a highly infectious disease caused by the poliovirus that most commonly affects children under the age of five. The virus is spread person to person, mostly through dirty water. It can attack the nervous system and, in some cases, it can lead to paralysis or profound physical deformity.

Although there is no cure for polio, there is a safe and effective vaccine. Rotary, and its partners, have been working to eradicate polio for more than thirty years now. Their goal of ridding the world of this disease is closer than ever. Polio cases have been reduced by 99.9% since the first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979. They have helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. So far, Rotary has contributed more than \$1.8 billion towards eradicating the disease worldwide.

In 2019, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. There have been only a handful of cases in the last year. These countries will not be certified polio-free until there have been no new cases in three years. But, it is crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free until the disease is completely eradicated. If all eradication efforts stopped today, within ten years, polio could quickly spread again and paralyse and disfigure as many as 200,000 children each year.

Year 4 Football Report – Monday 4th February

On Monday afternoon, a Year 4 Girl's Football Team and a Year 4 Boy's Football Team played their first matches, against St Clements. As part of the school's ongoing commitment to school sport, we have again employed two PE specific Teaching Assistants. We are seeking fixtures against other schools for Monday nights in a range of sports, across different year groups. The aim is to involve as many children in competitive sport as possible.

The girls' team showed great promise (some of the girls already play for a local team) and played well as a team. They ended up winning comfortably. The boys came up against a very talented St Clements side and found it tough. Despite working hard as a team, St Clements won the match. After the game, several children, who aren't already playing football away from school, enquired about opportunities to do so. This is fantastic to hear. We hope to offer many more new experiences to different children on Monday evenings for the rest of the academic year.

Happy Birthday Mike!

This week, we wished a very Happy 80th Birthday to Mike on our Crossing Patrol. Children from 2LJ made a card for Mike on behalf of the whole school and went out to sing Happy Birthday to him before he started work in the afternoon. Mike has been crossing children and families for the past ten years. He loves getting to school every morning and afternoon to work alongside Dawn and keep us all safe on the roads outside school. Thank you Mike for all you do for us and we hope you enjoy your birthday celebrations.



PTA News

Bake-a-cake day is now only a week away!! Letters have been sent home today with full details. Please send money in on the day and not before. The theme is “Love is all around” and all monies raised will be split between the PTA and End Polio Now. As always we are asking for helpers from 8.45am until around lunchtime – we would be very grateful for any help for however long you can stay. If you can help, let us know through our Facebook page or turn up on the day – your help is invaluable for us to be able to run events for our children!

Bags2school – your child will have a letter and a bag today explaining Bags2school. It is a fab way to de-clutter old clothes and shoes and to help the PTA raise much needed funds as well!!

Dates to remember:

- **Bake-a-cake day** – Friday 15th February – Raising money for End Polio Now and the PTA – Helpers needed from 8.45am – we would be very grateful!
- **Bags2school collection** – Thursday 7th March – bags can be dropped at the office on the school morning drop off on the day.
- **Non-uniform day** - Friday 29th March – wear you own clothes to school in exchange for a donation of chocolate (eggs, bars, bunnies, anything chocolatey!!)
- **Chocolate Bingo night** – Friday 5th April 6pm-8pm – a fun, family evening with lots of chocolate involved. More details after half term.

We also have other events in the pipeline.....watch this space!

Again we appreciate your support and please visit our Facebook page if you have any questions or you would like to help at any of our events!