

# **Oldbury Park Primary School**

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# **Weekly Words 36**

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# Friday 28th June 2019

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# Dates for your diary (Additions / changes in **hold italics**)

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# Clubs this week, but not on Friday

Mon	1	Jul	Year 6 Transition Day at CWLC		
			Willow Forest School		
Tue	2	Jul	Year 6 Transition Day at CWLC		
			Reception children to Superheroes Music		
			Festival at Perdiswell		
			Oak Forest School		
Wed	Wed 3 Jul		Walk to School Wednesday		
			Year 6 Regatta all day		
			2LJ Forest School		
			2.15pm Jade Morgan (FSW) to see		
			parents: please ring ahead for appointment		
Thu	4	Jul	3C Forest School		
			Meeting for parents of Year 6 at CWLC		
Fri 5 Jul 9.15am KS2 Pa		Jul	9.15am KS2 Parents Assembly		
			3.30pm PTA Summer Fayre		
			3.30-4pm Ukulele Club plays at Fayre		
			No after-school clubs today		

# **Attendance**

Week Ending: 20th June 2019

Class	Percentage	Total number of
58	99.17 Well Done	children arriving
6H	98.79	late to school
3M	97.77	
4M	95.69	45
3C	95.69	
Oak	95.26	
5M	95.00	This was 65 last
6W	94.83	week.
2LJ	94.02	
Ash	93.18	
2KJ	92.39	
4A	90.42	
Willow	90.09	
MAB	84.38	

#### Saturday 29th June - Working Party on the Reception Area of School Grounds - 8am-12 noon

Nick Monkton, our Site Manager, would be very grateful for any help you can offer during this time. Please make your way to the back of the school through the Year 1 gate to the right of the building. Your help would be gratefully received. Many thanks.

#### Year 6 Leavers Assembly – a request to Year 6 Parents and Carers

Please send me some photos of your child that I could use for a slide show at the Year 6 Leavers Assembly. I would particularly like early days at school photos (individual or whole class photos) but also any from dressing-up days (World Book Day, etc), sports days, school trips, playdates or parties. If you can email these to me that would be best, but I can scan and return photos to you if you prefer. Please email me on <a href="mailto:office@oldburypark.worcs.sch.uk">office@oldburypark.worcs.sch.uk</a> Thank you. Mrs Phillips

#### **Year 5 Bikeability**

Year 5 have finally completed their Bikeability programme (great British weather!). They have achieved level three which has increased their confidence to cycle on a main road and use complex junctions under supervision. They now have the ability to look behind correctly, use correct arm signals to ensure drivers know their intentions, and position themselves safely and correctly at a road junction. They have a basic knowledge of the Highway Code and recognise some road signs. Stay Safe and enjoy. The Year 5 Team.

Thank you for supporting our **Sports' Day** yesterday. It was lovely to see so many of you there and the children seemed to enjoy themselves. We were very lucky with the weather this year.

I am now in the position to tell you a little more about our **uniform** moving forward. We have designed the new emblem, to include RSA, and we now have to decide if we wish to change the school colour. It feels like an exciting opportunity to mark our move to the RSA by changing the colour, if that's what people want. We have selected some alternatives and would like to hear what you think. Please pop into the **small hall** on **Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday** next week, when dropping off or picking up at the beginning and end of the day, to see all the colours, and have your **vote**. The children will also have the chance to vote. There will be our current uniform among the choices so that you can vote to keep it the same if you wish.

We will, of course, stay the same if that is how everybody votes. Thank you for your support and help with this important decision for our school. You can also email or phone in your vote if that is more convenient for you.

## **New Parent Governors**

I am delighted to tell you that we have appointed two new Parent Governors following the recent nomination process. The Governors are pleased to welcome **Mr Nick Baxter** and **Mr Rob March** to the team and I am sure they will make a significant contribution to the work and life of the school. Thank you both for taking on this new role and responsibility.

**Ms Jones** is having a baby! We are very pleased to announce this exciting news. The baby is due in October, so we are pleased to have Ms Jones around for a while longer yet. **Mrs Iqbal** and **Mrs Stallwood** return from maternity leave on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. It will be lovely to have them back.

It looks as if the sun is going to shine again this weekend. Have a good one! Many thanks. Sarah Boyce.



### **Buddhist Whole School Assembly**

We were very lucky to have some visitors in school, Tara and Matt, to talk to us all about their Buddhist faith.

The children learnt all about the Buddha and the different meanings behind them. Tara and Matt talked about the importance of being kind to other people.

All of the children had the chance to take part in five minutes meditation, giving them time to reflect on what is important to them. We learnt that Buddhists often meditate every day.

#### **Bellboating for Year 6**

On Monday, the children in Year 6 walked to Worcester Canoe Club for their traditional, annual bellboating practice. The session was led by 5-time Olympian Andy Train and was in preparation for the upcoming Worcester City Regatta. In crews of 10, the children worked together to paddle down the river. They learnt that working together had a greater impact than power or individual skill. In the afternoon, the children participated in some friendly races and some children even 'cat-walked' down the middle of the boat! The children are now well-prepared for the regatta and looking forward to testing themselves against other schools.

## **Tag Rugby vs Hollymount**

Our latest Monday night fixture saw Hollymount bring a tag rugby team to play our Year 5 team on Monday evening. In hot and humid conditions, both teams played with pace and skill. The teams ran, passed and tagged superbly. After exchanging tries throughout the game, Hollymount built a lead with time running out. But a late comeback saw Oldbury equalise to make the score 15-15 and the game ended in a draw. The children represented the school superbly with a great attitude and excellent sportsmanship.

#### **Music Concert**

All children who have music lessons with our peripatetic music teachers in school should now have had a letter with details of the summer concert. If your child has lessons but has not received a letter, please let their teacher or Miss Hill know. You are all warmly invited to come along and support the children. The concert is on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July at 3.30pm. Thank you.

## **Worcester Central Mosque Visit**

Year 5 visited the Mosque on Wednesday. We were greeted by Mr Hamaad Akmal, who was our host for the morning. He spoke about the beliefs of being a Muslim and showed the children round the different parts of the Mosque. It was fascinating to see the carpet laid in the direction of Mecca, for prayer, and it was not straight, as you might expect it would be! Mr Akmal spoke about how Muslims wash for prayer and we had a look at the Wadu. The children enjoyed looking around and found the experience very interesting. The Year 5 Team.





### **Reception and Year 1 Tennis**

On Tuesday, Reception and Year 1 enjoyed a tennis taster session. They learnt how to hold a racket properly, improved their balancing skills and had a go at hitting a ball to a partner. All the children joined in enthusiastically and enjoyed themselves.

#### **Year 2 Tennis**

On Tuesday, Year 2 had the opportunity to have a tennis session with the coach from Hallow Tennis Club. We all had a fantastic, jam-packed session, learning new skills. The coach taught us how to position ourselves and how to control the ball when sending and receiving the ball. All the children worked really hard and behaved well whilst keeping fit!

#### Year 3 Tennis

On Wednesday, Year 3 were lucky to take part in a tennis taster session organised by Hallow Lawn Tennis Club. First of all, the children had to splat the tennis ball using their racket and then push it back to their partner. After that, we practised throwing the ball low to high, before using a racket to hit it to our partner. We had to make sure that our fingers were facing our partner when we hit the ball. Finally, we played a game which involved hitting the ball over the net in

teams of four. We all had fun and the session finished with the children being invited to attend the club's open day. Let's hope this has inspired tennis stars of the future!

# Gill Bowkett's Zebra Crossing Sponsored Walk - Saturday 6th July

As many of you are aware, I was diagnosed with a Neuroendocrine Tumour in 2014 which is manageable but incurable. I spend a lot of time fundraising for the NET Patient Foundation who are an invaluable support to me and many others with this rare type of cancer. Myself and members of the Worcester NET Natter group are doing a sponsored walk to raise awareness and funds for this charity.

If you would like to sponsor me to complete this walk, please visit my Just Giving page https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Gill-Bowkett2

Any amount, no matter how large or small, will be gratefully received. Thank you Gill.

## **PTA News**

Thank you to the volunteers who have offered help so far with the fete. **We are very grateful but we still need more!!** Please, if you can spare any time to run a stall for any amount of time let us know, we are a little desperate now. These events can only run with your help. Thank you.

Please send raffle tickets back into school as soon as possible. We have lowered the price this year to £1 a book (or 20p each) so please send them back into school as soon as possible. We have some great prizes lined up including a top prize of £100 cash!!

#### Dates to remember:

• **Summer Fete** – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 3.30pm-5.30pm – an exciting end to the school year with our traditional village fayre. It will be a back to basics, an affordable event for all the family.

We are planning to have a cake stall at the summer fete, so if anyone would like to make a cake/cakes for the day could you send us a message or catch one of us on the playground and let us know so we can make sure we will have enough to sell. They can be brought into school on the Friday of the fete at any time.

More dates for the next school year to follow.....

As always 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!

### **Hallow Tennis Club Open Day**

Saturday 6th July 2pm - 5pm. Free play and free coaching for all ages and abilities (adult and junior). For more information and to book on please see clubspark.lta.org.uk/HallowLawnTennisClub