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Friday 22nd May 2025

Message from the Headteacher

We have had a very busy and successful few weeks at school, and I am delighted to share some of our recent highlights with you.

Firstly, a huge congratulations to our Year 6 pupils on the way they approached and completed their SATs tests. We are incredibly proud of them all for showing such resilience, determination, and a positive attitude, and for truly trying their very best throughout the week. They conducted themselves with maturity and focus, and they should feel very pleased with their efforts. I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to Mrs Lewis and Mr Foresheaw, along with all the staff involved, for ensuring that the school atmosphere remained calm, supportive, and encouraging during the test period. Their hard work helped create the best possible environment for our children to succeed.

Year 6 have continued to impress us this week during their Bikeability training. At Oldfield, we take our commitment to safeguarding extremely seriously, and we recognise the importance of helping children develop the skills to stay safe on our local roads. We are therefore very pleased to be able to offer this valuable opportunity. Well done to all the children for being attentive and engaged throughout their sessions, and thank you to parents and carers for ensuring that bikes and helmets were in school each day—your support made this programme possible.

We would also like to congratulate our Year 5 pupils, who were fantastic ambassadors for Oldfield during their recent educational visit to Hampton Court Palace. The trip greatly enriched their history learning, while also giving them the opportunity to visit an important national landmark. The children represented the school beautifully, and we are very proud of them. Many thanks to the Year 5 team for organising and leading such a memorable experience (please see the photos to the right for a peek at what the children did).

Looking ahead, in the first week back after half-term, children will be taking part in a range of Sports Week activities. Please refer to the separate communications that have been sent out for a detailed overview of events and arrangements.

Finally, a reminder that the school will be closed next week for half-term. We hope all our families enjoy a well-earned break and some quality time together. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in June for the final half-term of the academic year. Best wishes, *Catherine Page*



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Key Dates

Monday 1st June—First day of Summer Term 2

Monday 1st June—Y4 Multiplication Table Check fortnight begins

Wednesday 3rd June am—Year 6 Quad Kids at Braywick with parents and carers welcome to attend

Wednesday 3rd June pm—Year 5 Quad Kids at Braywick with parents and carers welcome to attend

Thursday 4th June pm—All classes performing dances with all parents and carers invited

Friday 5th June at 9.10 am—Celebration Assembly with all parents and carers invited

Monday 8th June—Y1 Phonic Screening Check fortnight begins

Friday 12th June at 9.10 am—Celebration Assembly with all parents and carers invited

Friday 19th June—Non-uniform day in exchange for contributions to toy tombola

Friday 26th June at 9.10 am—Celebration Assembly with all parents and carers invited

Thursday 2nd July— Year 1 & 2 pBuzz performances to parents/carers

Friday 3rd July—Non-uniform day in exchange for contributions to bottle tombola

Friday 3rd July—OSA Summer Fair

Thursday 9th July 1.45pm - Y6 performance to parents and carers

Friday 10th July—Reports issued to parents and carers

Field Update

We would like to share an update regarding our school field. Initially, we contacted the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead (RBWM) to request an inspection after concerns were raised about a recent delivery of poor-quality soil, which contained some shards of hard material. Following their visit, RBWM advised us to cease use of the field, not due to the soil itself, but because of significant dips and uneven areas across the surface. These irregularities are likely linked to the site being on a flood plain and were identified as posing a potential risk to anyone using the field. As a result, the decision was made to temporarily close the area as a precaution.

RBWM subsequently commissioned a detailed investigation into the condition of the field, and we have recently received their comprehensive report. The uneven and inconsistent surface levels remain a concern. The report is extensive, and its findings, along with possible next steps, are currently being carefully reviewed by our governing body.

In the meantime, we are taking steps to maximise the safe outdoor space available to the children. Over the half-term break, we plan to section off the areas of the field that are currently unsuitable for use. This will allow us to safely reopen the remaining sections for the children during the final term of the school year.

We will continue to keep you informed as we review the report and determine the most appropriate course of action.

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