

July 2024

Headteacher's Monthly Newsletter



General information:

Dates for your diaries

September 3rd

School reopens

Existing nursery & reception begin phased start

September 9th

Year 5's first swimming lesson

Attendance Update

Attendance for the full year ended on 92% which is still much lower than pre Covid times. Please remember that if your child is unable to attend school for any reason that you must inform the school office by 9am.

Also, holidays taken in term time can result in families receiving a fine as we do not authorise holidays taken in term time.

The final class attendance figures this year are:

FS2: 91.7%

Year 1: 91.9%

Year 2: 95.1%

Year 3: 91.4%

Year 4: 94.4%

Year 5: 91.6%

Year 6: 91.5%

Changes to the school day from September

Please see the attached letter with regard to changes to the school day and administration.



We care, we learn, we grow

As we come to the end of another year....

I would like to share how proud I am to be the headteacher of such a wonderful school.

Our motto of **'we care, we learn, we**

grow' is at the heart of everything we do.

Like small acorns, your children join

Outwood and with the nurture and care

from all of the adults they develop into

successful and blossoming Year 6's.

Of course, none of this would be possible

without your support therefore I would like

to thank you, as parents and carers, for your

continued support that you give to the

school.

Goodbye & Welcome

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Larkin. Ms.

Gold and Miss Wheeldon.

Mrs Larkin has been a valued member of the

team for over 25 years. She has been so

committed to the school and even withdrew

her retirement last year to stay for 1 more

year. Mrs Larkin has more than earned a

fantastic retirement and I am sure that you

will join me in wishing her all the best for her

exciting future ahead.

Ms. Gold is also leaving to take on new

challenges. Ms. Gold has been a valued

member of the Outwood team and has made

a huge impact whilst at the school. We also

wish Miss Wheeldon all the best as she

moves onto new ventures. She has been a

key member of our EYFS team this year and

will be missed as will all of our leavers!

In September we are looking forward to

welcoming Mr. Millward as our new EYFS

leader and Miss Griffin who will lead Year 6.

Outwood's achievements

Please look at our social media feeds and class story pages of Class Dojo to see photographs of exciting events that are taking place at Outwood.

Outwood's Summer Fair



I wanted to thank everyone who made Outwood's Summer Fair such a success. Hopefully you have seen the PTA's announcement about how much they have raised, they raised almost £1000 at the fair and nearly £10,000 over the year for the children at Outwood. We are so grateful for the hard work of our PTA, the staff who support all of our events and of course yourselves as this wouldn't be possible without your support.

Goodbye to our Year 6

Today we say goodbye to our talented Year 6 children. Last week they wowed us with their performance of 'Goodbye My Friend'. They really demonstrated their talent on the stage, we really have some budding future stars. They also have so much to celebrate, with their excellent SATS results and progress overall, we are proud of each and every one of them. We wish all of our Year 6 children all the very best as they move onto their next chapter of education.



Class Celebration Assemblies

The children really enjoyed sharing what they have learned with you in our end of year class assemblies this month. I hope that you enjoyed them too. We really wanted you to share in our children's successes of this year as there are so many!



We did it again!

I am really happy to share that we have been awarded the Schools Games Mark, Gold Award for a third year. This is another recognition of many the sporting successes of this year.



Active Outwood!

This year the school has achieved the 'Active School Award' and the KS1 Bronze Award. We are delighted to receive the SHAPES Creating Active Schools Award & Kitemark for 2023/24 and the KS1 Quality Mark for P.E, Sport and Physical Activity. These awards are a recognition for the work done in developing Outwood into an 'active school' during the academic year. The school will continue to build on this award and further the fantastic opportunities for everybody to be active in the school day!



Transition Week

The children got to spend a whole week in their new classes last week. This is such a valuable time as the children get to plan for the new year, overcome any anxieties about the changes and are ready to hit the ground running in September. Also, we got to welcome our new nursery and reception children.

We hope that you all have a lovely summer break and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 3rd September!

Notices – Please Read

Uniform

Details of our uniform policy are on the website at <https://www.outwood.stockport.sch.uk/page/uniform/54545>. Correct uniform must be worn at all times - no trainers or brightly coloured socks/tights. Hoodies are not acceptable.

Absence from school

If your child is not in school, please phone us on the first day of absence to explain the reason on: 0161 4371715 and try to avoid appointments during the school day, if this cannot be avoided we will require a copy of the appointment card or letter. If we do not know why your child is in school this will be classed as an unauthorised absence which may lead to prosecution.

Naming of property and personal items

Please name all clothing and personal items brought into school. We always have so much lost property that is unnamed which makes it very difficult to return to its owner. Together we need to encourage our children to take responsibility for their belongings.

Pupil Premium Funding

If you are in receipt of benefits, please apply on-line via SMBC's website for Free School Meals, even if your child is receiving a Universal Free School Meal (free meals provided for children in FS2, Year 1 & Year 2). School will then receive additional funding to help your child/children. Please ask at the school office for help and advice in this process.

Asthma inhalers and prescription medicine

Please let us know immediately if your child is prescribed an inhaler. Please remember that school can only administer prescription medicines. These must be handed directly to the school office with a completed medical form.

Online secondary school application deadline

A reminder to parents that the deadline for Secondary School Applications is the 31st October.

School meals

The cost for school meals is increasing to £2.62 per day (£13.10 per week). Children in FS2 (Reception), Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal. The autumn term menu is on the school website.

Breakfast & After School Club Price Increase

Our Breakfast and Afterschool club are a fantastic provision that we are able to offer at Outwood Primary. They provide excellent value for money when taking into consideration, early and late hours staffing, the food that is provided, and last but certainly not least, the childcare for all parents/carers with early morning and late afternoon commitments.

The cost for Breakfast Club this service is £4.00 per child per day which includes childcare and two breakfast items. The cost for after school club is £7.50, which includes a snack. I am sure that you will agree it is really good value for money.



SUMMER Holiday Clubs!

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE: LASER TAG, RUGBY, HOCKEY, ARCHERY, DODGEBALL, BASKETBALL, DANCE, CHEER & MORE!
*sports are random per day

Cheshire



HURDSFIELD PRIMARY,
MACCLESFIELD, SK10

VISIT WEBSITE FOR MORE
INFORMATION

www.sportscoolcheshire.org/hurdsfield

Stockport



OUTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL,
HEALD GREEN, SK8

9am-3.30pm

PAID: 29TH JULY - 23RD AUGUST
£20 PER DAY

FUNDED: 30TH JULY - 23RD AUGUST (9AM-1PM)
DAY EXTENSION AVAILABLE TO 3.30PM

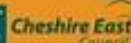
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LIMITED FREE PLACES

*eligibility criteria applies

SNACKS & LUNCH INCLUDED FOR FUNDED PLACES.

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Cheshire



CLEDFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL,
MIDDLEWICH, CW10

9am-3.30pm

PAID: 22ND JULY-16TH AUGUST (TUES-FRI)
£20 PER DAY

FUNDED: 23RD JULY-16TH AUGUST (9AM-1PM)
DAY EXTENSION AVAILABLE TO 3.30PM

Manchester



SS JOHN FISHER & THOMAS
MORE, WYTHENSHAW, M22

9am-3.30pm

PAID: 23RD JULY-16TH AUGUST (TUES-FRI)
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www.sportscoolcheshire.org/holidayclubs

bookings@sportscoolcheshire.org

FUNDED PLACES MUST NOW BE BOOKED THROUGH YOUR RESPECTIVE COUNCILS BOOKINGS SYSTEM. FULL INSTRUCTIONS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE.

PAID PLACES AND DAY EXTENSION SHOULD BE BOOKED DIRECTLY

Ages 5-11



A couple of offers that maybe of interest....

Children's Activities at Manchester Cathedral

Please find attached a flyer for the Cathedral's Summer activities!

Please use this [LINK](#) for pre-booking the poetry sessions in the Regimental Chapel.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1X14jl-w6gFnhmKmVoKn9rv0sEiBaD7_a/view?usp=sharing

Start Well Stockport

Start Well Stockport will be running Top Tips Virtual Sessions during August.

Please find the timetable and some information below.

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