

Oak Meadow Primary School Weekly Newsletter - Friday 13th December 2024: Issue 14



A message from Mr. Lane...

At the time of writing, I can hear the 'buzz' all around school for our Christmas Fair and the speedy preparations in readiness for this evening's event. This annual event brings great joy to the children and our community as we come together to share festive celebrations as well as indulging in treats, games and items to mark the Christmas period. I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to the Friends of Oak Meadow for all they have done in the preparation and implementation of the event and to all our families for your kind donations of bottles, toiletries, cakes and pre-loved clothes, toys and games. Once more, this is a superb example of how fantastically the *Oak Meadow family* all come together as we raise funds to support school initiatives for the children. I am looking forward to our final week of the term and the experiences ahead before we break up at 1pm on Friday. On Wednesday – for Christmas lunches and class parties – the children will be allowed to wear Christmas jumpers again (with non-uniform) and our Christmas carol concerts will be the perfect festive celebration for the final two days with Year groups participating in each performance listed below. Take care everyone and have a wonderful weekend.

Stars of the Week

The next scheduled celebration assembly will be held on:

Monday 13th January 2025 at 2.45pm.



Upcoming dates for the diary

17th Dec – Christingle at Oak Meadow

18th Dec – Christmas Lunch and Christmas Parties – Christmas jumpers welcome

19th Dec – Christmas Carol concerts -Y2 & Y4 Parent/Carers at 9am, Y3 & Y5 Parent/Carers at 2.15pm

20th - Christmas Carol concert – Y6 Parent/Carers at 9am

20th Dec – End of Term at 1pm

6th Jan – School Closed – Staff INSET Day

7th Jan – School Reopens to all children

15th Jan – Year 4 Residential Meeting

16th Jan – Year 2 Residential Meeting

20th Jan – Martin Luther King Day

24th Jan – Year 3 Assembly at 2.30pm

24th Jan – Year 2 Computing Day

24th Jan – Reception Parent/Carer Workshop at 2pm for Ash and Rowan House.

Communication

Our doors are always open whenever you need us and the main office number is 01902 558517.

The school email address is oakmeadowprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk

Also remember to check the school website and follow us on 'X' [@oakmeadow12](https://twitter.com/oakmeadow12)

Safeguarding Information

If you have any concerns about a child, please contact one of our designated safeguarding leaders (DSL):

Mr. Lane (Head of School).

Miss. Billingsley (Deputy Headteacher).

Mr. Hawkins (Assistant Headteacher).

Mrs. Worrallo (Assistant Headteacher).

Mrs. Parker-Thornton (Home/School Liaison Officer).



Attendance and Punctuality

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Thank you for making sure your child is in school every day and on time. Remember that our minimum attendance target for all children is **96%**.

Attending school **every day** impacts significantly on your child's learning and their attainment. Please see the table below that shows the number of lessons missed as the attendance rate falls.

Every day counts over the school year:

Attendance during the school year	Equals this number of days absent	Meaning that approximately this number of lessons have been missed
95%	9 days	50 lessons!
90%	19 days	100 lessons!
85%	29 days	150 lessons!

Make sure your child is an **Oak Meadow attendance H.E.R.O** (Here, Every day, Ready and On Time) by arriving between 8:35 and 8:45am each morning.

Every minute counts over the school year:

- 5 minutes late each day = **3 days lost!**
- 10 minutes late each day = **6.5 days lost!**
- 15 minutes late each day = **10 days lost!**
- 20 minutes late each day = **13 days lost!**
- 30 minutes late each day = **19 days lost!**

Class Attendance for this week

Reception and Key Stage 1

RB	93.3%
RT	92.7%
1B	95.3%
1E	92%
2B	84.7%
2H	80.7%

Attendance HERO bear winners are class 1B – well done!



Key Stage 2

3H	95.2%
3J	97.3%
4B	94.8%
4N	88.4%
5CH	93.8%
5T	89.7%
6H	97.1%
6W	91.6%

Attendance HERO bear winners are class 3J – well done!



Our combined whole school attendance for this week was...

92%.

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NEW for 2025!

IASS SEND Surgery

We are delighted to announce that the IASS team will be delivering a SEND Surgery every fortnight at Cherry Street SEND and Sensory Hub, Cherry Street WV3 0QW.

Each session we will have a specific SEND focus, as well as offering a coffee and chat for parents, carers and young people who may have any questions or queries related to special educational needs and/or disability.

Our first session is on:

Thursday 9 January 9.30am to 12.30pm

"Getting the right support at the right time"

Drop in and have a chat any time from 9.30am until 12.30pm.

**Look out for more dates in the New Year on our website and social media
@wolvesiass**

Civic Centre surgeries for primary school applications

Wolverhampton Council Customer Services are hosting face to face surgeries to support parents and carers of children starting Reception in September 2025. Attend on:

Thursday 12 December 10:00am - 2:00pm

Thursday 19 December from 10:00am- 2:00pm

Thursday 2 January from 10:00am- 2:00pm

Thursday 9 January from 10:00am- 2:00pm

Surgeries will run from the courtesy computer area of the Civic Centre (WV1 1SH). The team will be offering digital support advice, scanning services and information to promote and encourage customers to utilise the self-serve application option.

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