



# Outwoods Primary School Newsletter



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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the latest newsletter. Now that we are well and truly into Spring, the children are beginning to get outside more and enjoying playing on the school field. It is also this time of year we begin the end of key stage assessments - Year Two and Year Six will be doing the SATS. We have been doing all we can to prepare them for these assessments and hope they are all determined to do their very best. They have all been working very hard.

### Important note

Can I remind parents and carers that they are responsible for their children on the playground before and after school until teaching staff take over? Children under 7 should not use the climbing equipment on the upper school playground and children should be supervised using the equipment. In addition to this, please do not use any of the side doors from the playground to gain access to the school.



For security reasons, if you need to gain access please use the front entrance and speak to the school office. Thank you for your co-operation on this matter, health and safety is very important to us and we like to think we are doing all we can to keep Outwoods a safe environment.

### Website

We are currently upgrading our website and moving across to a new site and format, so excuse us if the website isn't fully functioning at the moment. We will be launching our new and improved site and APP soon and I'm sure you will find it very useful.

Mrs Dandy

### Building Work

As you may have noticed, we have continued our programme of building work and many of the windows in school have now been replaced. The front of the lower school has been refurbished and is looking lovely! The next target for work is the mobile classroom, which will begin shortly. It will be fenced off for a while, so please keep your children away from the works. We are hoping to get onto the area outside year one as soon as possible as we are aware that area is in need of a 'facelift'. We are grateful to Warwickshire County Council for funding most of the much needed building work.



### Unwelcome Visitors

We are afraid that head lice have made an unwelcome return to our school, so we are urging parents and carers to keep a look out and take action if they are spotted. For more information and advice you can visit



[www.onceaweektakeapeek.com](http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com)

We have also had a few reported cases of threadworms, which are very common but spread easily, they can be treated without seeing the GP by popping to the chemist and getting medicine or a tablet. You don't need to have time off school, but you do need to treat the whole family. For clear, easy to follow advice, follow the link:-

[www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/threadworms/)

Children can get worms again after they've been treated for them if they get the eggs in their mouth. This is why it's important to encourage children to wash their hands regularly especially after using the toilet.

### Donation of clothes

We are always very grateful for donations of any of your children's old socks, pants and old school uniform. So if you have any of these items you no longer need, we can put them to good use in school.



## Royal Wedding Celebration

On Friday May 18<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating the royal wedding in style! Children are invited to come to school dressed in red, white and blue clothes - party dresses, shirts and ties and floppy hats are encouraged! We will be having a picnic lunch on the field (parents have been invited for the picnic) and then there will be party games and activities during the afternoon. If you are joining us for the picnic, please bring your lunch and a blanket and join us from 12 noon.



### School Meals

Our school meals suppliers (Educaterers) are launching a new and exciting menu for our children to enjoy from May 14<sup>th</sup>. New menus are on display in school, on the website and on the school Facebook page. Of course they are keeping popular favourites like roast dinners, chicken pie and pasta dishes. But now added to this are new and varied balanced meals that include 'hidden' fruit and vegetables that ensure your children get the nutrients they require. In addition to this, if you and your child would like to have a go at trying some of the recipes, there are FREE RECIPE BOOKS for you to have. You can call at the office or download one from the educaterers website:-

[www.educaterers.co.uk](http://www.educaterers.co.uk)

This seems like a good time to introduce our new catering supervisor, Danielle (Mrs Sweet). She has joined our dedicated team and has already made a positive impact. Here is a picture of our 'Outwoods Owl' she recently sculpted out of fruit, much to the children's delight!



### IMPORTANT DATES

PLEASE NOTE SOME CLASS ASSEMBLIES HAVE BEEN CHANGED DUE TO TRIPS OR OTHER EVENTS

- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May - School closed for May Day
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2:30pm - Butterflies class assembly
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May - Year 6 SATS begin
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May - Year Four residential to Sherwood Forest
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May - Picnic and royal wedding party
- Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2:30pm - 5B class assembly
- Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Break up for half term
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June - Children back to school (no school on 4<sup>th</sup> June - training day)
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2:30pm - Year 1N Class assembly
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June - Rounders Tournament (after school)
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 9:10 am - Y4 Foxes class assembly
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2:30pm - Swans class assembly
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June - 6:30 - Reception new intake parents meeting
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June - SPORTS DAY
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Nursery Sports day
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June - 3H Heron's class assembly
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2:30pm - Carnival/Summer Fair
- Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July - INDUCTION DAY and Open Evening
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July 6:30pm - Year Six Leavers Play
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July - Discos (not year 6)
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2pm - Music concert
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July - 9am - Year 6 Leavers Service
- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July - 6pm - 8pm - Year six party (prom)
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 9am - End of year assembly
- Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Break up for Summer Holiday
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September - Children back at school
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October - Break up for half term

### Data Protection

You may be aware that from May, the rules around data protection are changing. The 'General Data Protection Regulation' (GDPR) will change how we can use you and your child's personal data and keep it safe, so we need to make a few changes at the school in order to ensure we remain compliant. We will be sending out further details and a new set of consent forms shortly.

