

# Newsletter

## July 2023



Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors,

I cannot believe that another school year has finished; it certainly has been a busy one! I am incredibly proud of all our pupils and their achievements this year. Of course, these are different for each pupil, but they all have much to be proud of. I hope that they take the opportunity to have a well-deserved break, do the things they like to do and make some memories.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to the entire school staff team. They are a fantastic team who work extremely hard for the benefit of all pupils. Without their commitment and hard work, school would not be the happy and purposeful place it is.

Year 6 left us today and I wish them all the best in their new adventures. They have been a credit to themselves and the school. They have worked hard, and this is clear to see in the progress that they have made. They have made the most of their final few weeks and we have had a lot of fun with Oulton Fest, Junior Warrior, their fabulous Peter Pan production and much more. Good luck, Year 6. Aim high and keep working hard. We will miss you all!

We had a very fun (and messy!) assembly this morning where we said goodbye to the staff who are leaving us. Mr Murtagh was a good sport and endured having some of his leg hair waxed and was also the first member of staff to be 'gunged' when we spun our wheel (the wheel may have had a bit of help to land on that option); unfortunately for Mr Murtagh, the gunge had previously been in the freezer to help it set! Mrs Duxbury has also left us today for a new support role. She was lucky enough to avoid the gunge during assembly!

We also said goodbye to Mrs Rollinson, Lunch Time Assistant, who also left us today.

We also congratulated Miss Shaw and Mr James on their respective weddings over the break. On her return in September, Miss Shaw will be Mrs Cooper (confusingly as Miss Cooper and Mrs Cooper will share a class!). I wish both Miss Shaw and her fiancé, Adam; and Mr James and his fiancé, Jade, the best of luck on their special days.

Hopefully the weather will improve soon. Enjoy whatever you have planned and we look forward to welcoming you all back in September. Enjoy the break!

### **Mr Horton.**

#### **Breakfast/Teatime club**

Our Breakfast and Teatime Club continues to be popular amongst our families, providing value for money childcare. From September, we will be slightly increasing our prices for the Teatime Club (no change will be made to the Breakfast Club price).

September 2023:

Teatime Club: 3.20pm to 4.20pm - £5.50

Teatime Club: 3.20pm to 5.45pm - £8.00

The early session of breakfast club to the late session of Teatime Club will now be £10.50.

If you use the Government Tax Free Childcare vouchers, then the Government fund 20% towards paying for your clubs. Please email the school office at [hello@oultton.leeds.sch.uk](mailto:hello@oultton.leeds.sch.uk) for further information on how to set this up.

#### **School Lunches**

The September lunches are now live on SchoolMoney. If you are eligible to income related free school meals, or your child will be in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in



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September, please log into SchoolMoney and choose the lunches for the whole term (until the end of October). If you pay for your child's lunches, we ask that you choose lunches and pay weekly (or however many weeks you are comfortable with). A kind reminder that it's the parent's responsibility to choose lunches for/with their child.

### Message from POPS

We would like to say a great big thank you to all the children, parents/carers, volunteers and staff who have helped to achieve this year's fundraising, without everyone's help we would not be able to put on the events we have over the year. Attached is a leaflet showing how much has been raised together with how we have spent the funds.

Laura Churchill, PTA Chair, POPS – Parents of Oulton Primary School, Charity No: 1041164



### Message from Morrisons

To support our customers, who are continuing to face pressures of cost of living increases, we have again partnered with Warburtons to launch a new "Ask for Ellen" Campaign from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July-13<sup>th</sup> August (subject to availability).

Who is Ellen?: Thomas Warburton and his wife Ellen first opened their grocery shop in 1870, but it wasn't until 1876 during a slump in the grocery market when Ellen Warburton started baking bread. Within two weeks, they renamed their shop 'Warburtons the Bakers'. Supporting families is as important to them today as it was to our founder, Ellen Warburton, when she began baking back in 1876.

Ask For Ellen Giveaway: From Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July until 13<sup>th</sup> August, we will be supporting the Warburtons campaign by giving away free Crumpets for any customer that "Asks for Ellen". The giveaway is only applicable for 2 Warburtons crumpets, 2 butter portions and a Tiptree raspberry or strawberry Jam.

### Message from Breeze Team, Leeds City Council

Breeze in the Park is back with 29 events across the City- as part of these 29 events you will find 7 relaxed sessions specifically for children with additional needs. Further information can be found in the attached flyers, and for a full list of venues visit:

[www.breezeleeds.org](http://www.breezeleeds.org)

All events this summer have been funded by your local community committees.

### INSET

Next academic year, we only have one initial INSET day in September. Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September is an INSET day and school is closed to all pupils. **School reopens for pupils on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September.**

### Lunchtime Assistant Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Lunch Time Assistant. The post is term time only, 12.00pm-1.00pm (Mon-Wed) and 11.30am-1.00pm each week day. You will be part of a team of experienced staff who take care of our children aged 3-11 both in the dining hall and outside at play. As Oulton Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all children, this post is subject to an enhanced DBS check and two satisfactory references. Applicants need some experience of working with children, but training will be given. For further details or to apply:

<https://www.eteach.com/job/lunchtime-assistant-1358136>



## School calendar year 2023-2024

Holiday	Schools close			Schools open		
Summer break				Monday	4 September	2023
Autumn mid-term	Friday	27 October	2023	Monday	6 November	2023
Christmas break	Friday	22 December	2023	Tuesday	8 January	2024
Spring mid-term	Friday	9 February	2024	Monday	19 February	2024
Easter break	Thursday	28 March	2024	Monday	15 April	2024
May Bank Holiday	Friday	3 May	2024	Tuesday	7 May	2024
Summer mid-term	Friday	24 May	2024	Monday	3 June	2024
Summer break	Tuesday	23 July	2024			

### Term length

Autumn	75 days
Spring	54 days
Summer	66 days
<b>Total</b>	<b>195 days</b>

### Bank Holidays include

Christmas	25 & 26	December	2023
New Year's Day	1	January	2024
Good Friday	29	March	2024
Easter Monday	1	April	2024
May Day	6	May	2024
Spring Bank	27	May	2024
August	28	August	2024

### Oulton Primary School INSET Days

INSET 1	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
INSET 2	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 2023
INSET 3	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2023
INSET 4	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
INSET 5	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2024