



# Headteacher Update



## 2025 - 2026

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 – General Update

#### Staffing

Yesterday we welcomed Lucy Leonardi to our office team. **Miss Leonardi** is our Admin Officer and leads on paid After School Clubs and Breakfast Clubs, as one of her many roles. We know our parents will make her feel welcome when communicating with her.

Exciting news for **Miss Pell**, our Year 2 teaching assistant, she is expecting a baby in July. She is aiming to work as close to the end of the school year as possible. Congratulations.

It is with sadness that I share we have 3 staff members leaving OBS at Easter; Mrs Ringrose (Year 3 teaching assistant), Mrs Pickup (Class 2 teacher W-F) and Mrs Black (Class 11 teacher W-F).

**Mrs Ringrose** has made the difficult decision to leave OBS after 19 years working here; it is time to take retirement and enjoy a different pace of life. During her time at OBS, Mrs Ringrose has touched the hearts of many pupils and helped them in so many special ways – she will be missed. Her last working day is Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March.

Mrs Pickup and Mrs Black are leaving the teaching profession and moving to work at a special charity supporting vulnerable children. Their last working day is Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.

**Mrs Pickup** started at OBS in 2015 and has worked with our youngest pupils to ensure they have the best start to their educational journey. Mrs Pickup has such wonderful ways of developing confidence and knowledge in 3-5 year olds and we will miss her at OBS.

**Mrs Black** has been at OBS 15 years and during that time worked across many year groups, lead many subjects and taught many children. She has a calm, measured approach to teaching and has been such a wonderful teacher throughout school. With two young children it is time for a change of career, good luck Mrs Black.

After the Easter break, we welcome **Mrs Baguley** back from maternity leave, it will be lovely having her in school on a Monday - Wednesday.

With these staffing updates, please see the table below for the April 13<sup>th</sup> – July 24<sup>th</sup> staffing plan (changes are highlighted yellow):

Nursery	Miss Rosindell
Class 1	Miss Singh
<b>Class 2</b>	<b>Mr Summersby &amp; Mrs Shropshall</b>
Class 3	Miss Marrow
Class 4	Mrs Kelly
Class 5	Miss Priddle (M&T) and Mrs Richards (W, Th & F)
Class 6	Mrs Smythe
<b>Class 7</b>	<b>Mrs Baguley (M, T &amp; W) and Miss Booth (W, Th &amp; F)</b>
Class 8	Miss Beard
Class 9	Mr Brown
<b>Class 10</b>	<b>Mrs Heywood (M) and Miss Tarlowski (T, W, Th &amp; F)</b>
<b>Class 11</b>	<b>Mrs Tindsley (M, T &amp; W) Mrs Jones (Th &amp; F)</b>
Class 12	Mr Ross
Class 13	Miss McCulloch

Class 14	Mr Harper
Willow	Miss Dourneen

### Parking

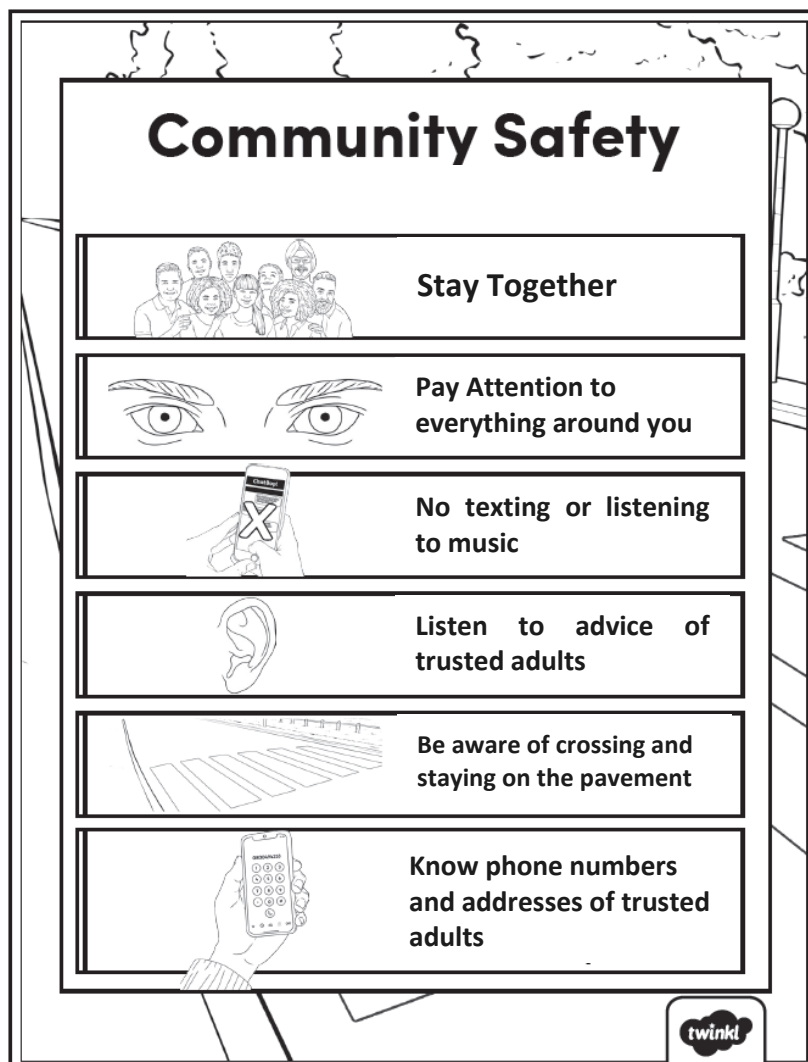
I am once again reminding parents to park considerately in the surrounding area. Please avoid blocking residents' driveways and ensure that all parking is legal and safe.

### School Uniform

It is lovely to see some pupils already wearing the Active School uniform. Should you wish to purchase a fleece or sports top, please note that the correct colour is currently only available through Just Schoolwear: [Old Basford School Archives | Just Schoolwear](#). It is important that pupils attend school in the correct uniform each day, and teachers have been asked to address any issues directly with pupils and parents.

### Safety in the Community

In assembly yesterday, I spoke with pupils Year 1 – Year 6 about being safe in our community in an age-appropriate way. With the current news headlines, I wanted to share ideas and strategies for staying safe when they are out; possibly for our older children alone at weekends or after school. I used the image below and wanted to share with parents so you could talk at home if you wish.



Dates

	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup> March</b>		Y4 ( <b>parent</b> ) Reading workshop 9:00am		Y5 ( <b>pupils</b> ) Great Project starts – session 3	
<b>16<sup>th</sup> March</b> <b>Neurodiversity Week</b>	<b>F2 – Y6 parents</b> RSE Parent Consultation 2:45pm	Pupil Review meetings ( <b>Parents</b> ) 3:40 – 6:00		Y5 ( <b>pupils</b> ) Great Project starts – session 4  Pupil Review meetings ( <b>Parents</b> ) 3:40 – 6:00	
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	F2 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 2:45pm	Y3 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 9:00am  Y5 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 2:45pm	Y2 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 9:00am  Y4 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 2:45pm	Y1 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 9:00am  F1 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 11am  Y6 PROUD assembly ( <b>parents</b> ) 2:45pm	FS (Nursery, Class 1 and Class 2) <b>pupils and parent</b> Easter Bonnet parade 9:00am
<b>Easter Holidays</b>					

We return after the Easter holidays on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026.