



# Headteacher Update



2024 - 2025

## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – General Update

Thank you to all the parents who attended their Pupil Progress Meeting last week with their child's class teacher. It was fantastic to see so many of you in school and I hope you felt it was a valuable experience both talking to the teacher and looking at your child's learning. If you missed your appointment, please contact school to make a convenient time to meet with the teacher or have a phone call.

### Parent Survey

Thank you to the parents who used the QR code to complete the parent survey (displayed in school last week during pupil progress meeting), if you missed it but would like to offer your views, there is still time. The survey will remain open until Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March. If you complete the survey, you will be entered into a prize draw to win an Amazon voucher. Please follow the link for the survey: <https://forms.gle/FUE8KzVxHUEsuo199>

### Uniform

As the warmer weather has started to appear (not sure for how long), we have seen an increase in pupils removing coats and jumpers when playing outside. I once again ask that you make sure all items of clothing are named so we can get them back to their owner the same day. Unfortunately, when a child or adult says 'it's a size 26' that does not help, as that is the same as lots of children.

### OPAL

On Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April, we will be having our accreditation meeting with Bobby Beaumont (OPAL mentor) where the lunchtime provision we have in school will be assessed and hopefully we will be awarded with an OPAL grading. Without parent's support, generous donations and attendance at parent OPAL events, we would not be in the strong position that we currently are. The latest pupil survey shows how much the children enjoy their OPAL lunchtimes now, which is fantastic.

We will need your help though....

1. Has anyone got any **gravel** spare at home? Know anyone who can source some for us? We do not need loads – maybe 4 -6 large bags. If you are able to help, please let school know.
2. Has anyone got any **bikes, scooters, wheelie suitcases, wheelchairs, pushchairs, wheelie sit on toys**? The wheel zone is very popular so we can always on the lookout for more.
3. Has anyone got any **buckets, spades, sand toy, water toys, paint brushes, rollers**? With the weather improving the large sandpit and water zones are becoming increasingly popular.

Please always keep OPAL in the back of your mind before getting rid of anything at home, you would be surprised what we can make use of 😊 Over the page is our OPAL wish list but if you are not sure, please always ask.

 <p><b>Small World</b></p>  <p>Dinosaurs  Cars </p> <p>Trucks Dolls Animals</p> <p>Lego Barbies Action Figures</p> <p>Soft toys</p>  	<p><b>Role Play</b></p> <p>Fancy dress Adult clothing and shoes</p> <p>Hats Handbags Suitcases</p>  <p>Dressing gowns / limonos</p> <p>Fabrics (duvets, sheets, curtains)</p> <p>Old appliances (hair dryers etc) </p> <p>New-born baby clothes</p> <p>Baby dolls of all ethnicities</p> <p>Cushions Carpet tiles Outdoor cushions &amp; rugs</p>	<p><b>Construction</b></p>   <p>Plastic crates Plastic bread trays</p> <p>Plastic pipes and guttering</p> <p>Drain pipes Tarps Hard hats</p> <p>Cardboard boxes </p> <p>Fabrics (duvets, sheets, curtains)</p>
<p><b>Creative Arts</b></p>   <p>Paint brushes Paint rollers</p> <p>Bubble machine Chunky chalks</p> <p>Trays Sponges (all sizes)</p> <p>Old wallpaper rolls / off cuts</p>  	<p><b>Messy Kitchen</b></p>   <p>Pots and pans Kitchen utensils</p> <p>Old appliances (microwaves, kettles etc)</p> <p>Water play – jugs, watering cans</p> <p>Garden broom</p> 	<p><b>Low Level Wheels</b></p>   <p>Prams Suitcases</p> <p>Bread trays with wheels</p> <p>Pushchairs (for humans and dolls)</p>  

### Dates

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>w.b 24<sup>th</sup> March</b>	Book fair after school ( <b>parents and pupils</b> )	Book fair after school ( <b>parents and pupils</b> )	<b>Year 5 &amp; 6 pupils</b> visit to Ellis Gilford School (am)  Book fair after school ( <b>parents and pupils</b> )	Willow <b>parent</b> workshop 9:00am  Year 6 <b>parent</b> PROUD assembly 2:45pm	Year 1 <b>parent</b> PROUD assembly 9:00am  F2 <b>parent</b> workshop 2:30pm  Year 2 <b>parent</b> PROUD assembly 2:45pm
<b>w.b 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Year 3 <b>parent</b> PROUD assembly 9:00am  Year 4 <b>parent</b> PROUD assembly 2:45pm	<b>Year 5 parent PROUD assembly 9:00am</b>  <b>Nursery parent PROUD assembly 11:00am</b>  <b>F2 parent PROUD assembly 2:45pm</b>	Royal Shakespeare company performing at OBS ( <b>pupils</b> )	Royal Shakespeare company performing at OBS ( <b>pupils</b> )	9:00am Nursery and Foundation Stage 2 (class 1&2) Easter Bonnet parade ( <b>parents</b> )  School closes to <b>pupils</b> at 3:20pm
<b>EASTER BREAK</b>					
<b>w.b 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	School closed – bank holiday		Class 13 ( <b>pupils</b> ) visit to Galleries of Justise (am)		Class 14 ( <b>pupils</b> ) visit to Galleries of Justise (am)