



## Ox Close Federation Newsletter

### Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024 – Volume 24

#### Happy Easter

We have had another amazing term across the Federation! It has been great to see the children engaged, motivated and making great progress with their learning. We have had opportunities for parents/carers to join us in school and more of these are planned for the Summer Term. The children (and staff!) have loved taking part in all of the Easter activities – from an outstanding Nursery Easter Bonnet Parade, egg japing, egg decorating and our spectacular Eggs Factor which was held yesterday. We hope that the children made lots of memories that they will treasure. I would like to thank all of Team Ox Close for the continued support and wish you all a fabulous Easter break. I look forward to seeing you on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April for our final term as Ox Close.



#### Farewell and Happy Retirement to Mr Bewick

Today, Mr Bewick, our amazing Handyperson, retired from his role at Ox Close. Mr Bewick has been an amazing member of Team Ox Close and we thank him for going above and beyond to ensure that our site is safe and the different areas look great. We wish him well and hope that he enjoys his retirement – please come back and visit Mr Bewick.

#### Curriculum Plans

Following on from our most recent parent/carer survey, feedback from our reading workshops, and through the work of our PSAs in school, we have created an overview of Maths and English topics for each year group. These will work alongside our Curriculum Overviews, which are released each half term, to keep you up-to-date on what your child is learning about in school. These new documents can be found on our school website, by opening the 'Primary' tab at the top and following through to the correct phase. We hope you find them useful in supporting your child's learning, both in school and at home.

#### Weekly Class Charts Top Scorers

<b>Reception</b>	Eden H	<b>Year 4</b>	Emily R
<b>Year 1</b>	Holly B	<b>Year 5</b>	Ted F
<b>Year 2</b>	Penelope T	<b>Year 6</b>	Scarlett C
<b>Year 3</b>	Lyndi-Rose W		

#### Attendance

Overall attendance for the week is 93.9% and the Year Group with the highest attendance is Year 6 with 97.9%. The overall school attendance for the academic year is 95%.

#### Punctuality

The Primary starts at 8:45am, with the gates opening from the new time of **8:35am**. Please ensure that your child is at school on time so that they do not miss out on any learning. This week, we have had 217 late minutes.



## Dates for the Diary

Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	3:15pm – Close for Easter Break
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	8:35am – Children return to Nursery and School
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Federation Closed – Polling Station
13 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs Week
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
10 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

## Easter 2024 – Kids Eat Free Scheme



### ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

### PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

### SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

### PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

### THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

### TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase an adult's main meal (App needed)

### PUREZZA

Children under the age of 10 get free pizza at Purezza with every adult meal purchased

### TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

### SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

### BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### COCONUT TREE

One child (10 & Under) eats free per paying adult. Valid from 23/03/2024 – 14/04/2024

### MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

### GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

### YO! SUSHI

From March 25th - April 12th 2024, kids eat free all day at YO! Sushi when dining with a full-paying adult (minimum £10 spend).

### WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

### BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

### BILLS

Two kids can eat free ALL DAY (Weekdays) from Monday 25th March – Friday 12th April 2024, with one adult main dish.

### DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES

At Dobbies, for every adult breakfast or lunch purchase, kids eat for FREE. Every Day!

### TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

### IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

### HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

### FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.



# Look at what we have been up to in 3/4P



We have enjoyed our PE sessions this half term. In Yoga we have been learning the gratitude flow and in hockey, we have been practising our passing and dribbling skills. It is not as easy as it looks.

In English we have been looking at discussion texts as well as writing our own.

Should children be expected to complete homework? Of course we wanted to say no-but we were encouraged to think about both sides of the argument!



Switzerland was our topic in Geography this half term. We have been looking at climate and have compared this to the UK and Greece. We have also looked at Swiss landmarks and reason for visiting Switzerland. The homework which was produced over half term was fantastic.

In PSHE we have been thinking hard about ways in which we can reach our own personal goals. We know that to achieve our own goals we have to work hard, be positive and persevere and eventually, we will begin to see success. We have also been looking at happiness and all of the things that make us happy.



We couldn't finish the Spring term without some egg decorating. The ideas and creations produced were all fantastic.

