

NEWSLETTER

DATE 30th September 2021

UP COMING DATES

October 4th: YR&Y1 phonics evening (5pm)
October 19/20th Parents' meetings
October 22nd: Break up

November 1st Back to school
November 19th Children in Need and Anti Bullying Week
December 16th Break up

January 4th Back to school

INSET days:

Friday 17th December 2021
Friday 27th May 2022
25th + 26th July 2022

Please see the website regarding term dates for 21/22:

<https://www.ledgerlane.outwood.cym/term-dates-and-closures>

Welcome to our new staff

We are delighted with how well our new staff are settling in to the academy. Miss Willoughby, Miss Williams, Mrs Bentley, Mr Blake and Mr Foster have all blended in to the academy team really quickly.

Parents' Evenings

Our parents' meetings are on Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th October. We have given you the opportunity to arrange an online appointment if that suits your busy timetables. It will be brilliant to have "normal" face to face meetings after the last 18 months!

Use of paths

Thank you for all of your questions and support regarding the use of the paths around the school. We have been asked a number of times about reopening the side gate to potentially ease the flow of pedestrians. Unfortunately, this is not possible for health and safety reasons. Now restrictions have been eased, we have many more visitors and deliveries using our car park. Our risk assessment no longer allows for pedestrian access through the car park for that reason.

Playtimes and Lunchtimes

You will be pleased to know that, alongside assemblies, lunchtimes and playtimes are now back to normal in school.

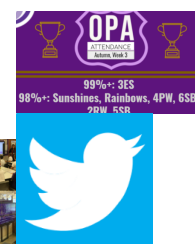
We are implementing more and more playtime activities over the coming weeks, too. Many of our older pupils are very keen to spend time with the younger ones and teach them how to play safely and in a fun way.

Attendance

We have made a strong start to the year in terms of attendance, but we always strive for more! Thank you for your support with getting children to school every day on time!

Twitter

Please follow @OPA_LL and your child's class twitter for regular updates.

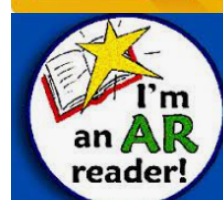


Assemblies

It has been brilliant to get all the pupils back in the hall again for assemblies. This year, we have a full assembly programme. Our Personal, Social, Health and Economic education lessons are partly covered in these assemblies, so it is really important to us and the children that as many pupils attend assemblies as possible. So far this term, we have covered first aid, allergic reactions, mental health and exercise and much more.

Online Learning

Whilst we are hoping that there will be no more lockdowns, we have nonetheless planned to continue to help your child to learn online. Thank you to all families who are continuing to use Google Classroom to access homework tasks. It's great to see and hear about children using Times Tables Rockstars, MyMaths and Accelerated Reader too. If you are unsure about any of these, please ask your child's class teacher for more info. (all passwords and usernames are in the back of your child's planner).



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