



# OWSLEBURY NEWSLETTER



The latest news and views from our small but mighty school

## OUR SCHOOL VALUES

Respect

Nurture

Aspiration

Resilience

Collaboration

## MESSAGE FROM MRS CHAPLEN

Dear Families,

It's certainly been a wet week, with many breaktimes and lunchtimes spent indoors. While this can be frustrating, it has been lovely to see the children socialising in different ways and still seeking out that all-important cross-age interaction. Older children have been quick to support younger pupils, which really adds to the strong sense of community we are so proud of at Owslebury.

This week, we have been exploring the Zones of Regulation, which helps children recognise their emotions and use strategies to become "ready to go" in the green zone. It would be really helpful to share this language and these ideas at home, as it supports children to better understand how they are feeling and how to regulate themselves. The children have been excellent at practising calming breathing techniques, so do ask them to show you a few at home.

Last week, we welcomed some of our Governors into school to carry out monitoring of teaching and learning. They were impressed by the positive attitudes of the pupils and how confidently and enthusiastically they were able to explain their learning. Highlights included the joy of Reception collaborating during outdoor learning, highly engaging maths teaching led by Mrs Cope, and the purposeful, play-based approach in Morestead Class that clearly met learning objectives. There was a great deal to celebrate, alongside clear next steps that will help us continue to improve.

As an Ofsted visit moves closer on the horizon, these visits provide reassurance that the collective hard work of staff, families and children is making a real difference. When we work together, a strong sense of belonging, nurture and achievement follows.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend x

## ATTENDANCE

CLASS	Weekly Attendance	Average This Year
Marwell	100%	96.9%
Morestead	94.2%	93.7%
Baybridge	90.6%	94.9%
Hensting	93.4%	94.9%

Updated school guidance about attendance processes at Owslebury Primary School on our website.  
[www.owslebury.hants.sch.uk/attendance](http://www.owslebury.hants.sch.uk/attendance)

Extract and summary taken from: [DfE The Education Hub Blog](#)

### Top tips on how to keep your child healthy at school

While it's usually safe for parents and carers to send their children to school with mild illnesses, like a minor cough, runny nose or sore throat, there are steps you can take to ensure your child is better protected against illnesses, so they don't miss out on vital time in school.

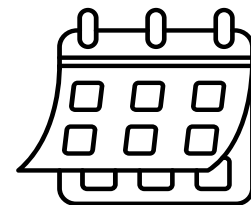
Here we take you through what you can do to reduce the chances of your child getting ill.

- Make sure your child is up to date with their vaccinations
- Remind your child of basic hygiene measures
- Know when your child is too ill for school

By following these simple steps – keeping vaccinations up to date, practising good hygiene, and knowing when to keep children at home – you can help ensure your child stays healthy and enjoys a successful school term.

For full blog article: <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2025/10/top-tips-how-child-healthy-school/>

# Diary Dates



Monday 26th January pm	Years 3 and 4 swimming
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> January @ 3:20pm Wednesday 28th January	School Council Cake Sale Badminton Event at Kings School (info to come)
Friday 30th January @ 2:45pm Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January @9am	Celebration Assembly Baybridge Class Art trip in the village. Coats needed.
Monday 2nd February	Years 3 and 4 swimming
Friday 6th February pm Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	FRIENDS Quiz night Whole School Values Celebration – non-uniform Day
Monday 9th February pm	Years 3/4 swimming (last session)
Monday 9th February	Marwell Dress up / Celebration (parents from 3pm)
Tuesday 10th February 3:45pm	Athletics event at Kings School
Friday 13th February	Bikeability—Year 6 Children. Register your child at <a href="https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/ram-after-court">https://consent.bikeability.org.uk/ram-after-court</a>
Monday 16th February—Friday 20th February	HALF TERM
Monday 23rd February	INSET day
Friday 27th February @2:45pm	Celebration Assembly
Monday 2nd March	Catch Up Swimming sessions ( more information to come for those involved)
Monday 9th March	Catch Up swimming
Friday 13th March @ 2:30pm	Mothers' Day Event
Monday 16th March pm	Catch Up Swimming
Friday 20th March	Comic Relief FRIENDS Bunny Hop Disco @ 4:30pm
Monday 23rd March pm	Catch up swimming—last session
Tuesday 24th March	Easter/ Spring Celebration at the church
Friday 27th March	End of Term. 1pm: End of Term Assembly and Trophies

## NOTIFICATION OF PE AND OUTDOOR LEARNING O.W.LS



**OWLS** Marwell and Morestead Class **MONDAY PM** wellies and waterproof coat needed

**SWIMMING:** Baybridge Class from 12th January until half term. **MUST** have a swimming hat for long hair, swimming costume not too baggy, towel and a coat.

### PE DAYS

**MONDAY** BAYBRIDGE (swimming first half term)  
**TUESDAY** MORESTEAD/ HENSTING  
**WEDNESDAY** MARWELL, MORESTEAD, BAYBRIDGE & HENSTING

Children wear PE kit to school on PE days, except for Marwell Class. Marwell class wear uniform and change into PE clothes.

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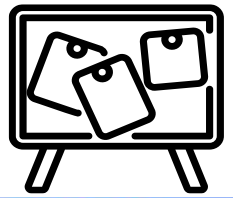


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 **Funded by UK Government**

## Free holiday activities and meals for eligible children this February half-term!

Children in Reception to Year 11 receiving benefits-related free school meals can enjoy a variety of fun activities and healthy meals for free during the half-term break through the Hampshire Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme!

Scan the QR code below or visit the Family Information and Services Hub to check if you're eligible, find local HAF schemes, and book your child(ren)'s place.



<https://www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/holidayactivities>



  
**Active8 Minds**  
Sport & childcare specialists

## HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CLUB @ OWSLEBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL

**TRY NEW SPORTS & ACTIVITIES & MAKE NEW FRIENDS**

- ✓ **SPORTS ZONE**
- ✓ **ACTION ZONE**
- ✓ **CHILL ZONE**
- ✓ **ART AND CRAFTS**

AGES YEAR 0- YEAR 7  
PRICES FROM £27  
SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE  
8AM - 5PM



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Ofsted Registered  
Experienced, Qualified & Friendly Staff  
Staff DBS  
Safeguarding & First Aid Trained  
Childcare Vouchers Accepted

## Hampshire SENDIASS Online Workshops

- Free impartial advice relating to SEND for 0-25 years.
- Confidential sessions not recorded.
- Peer support, talking to others experiencing a similar journey.
- A dedicated session with an experienced support worker

<b>2 FEB</b> 13:00	Responding to a draft EHCP If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft	<b>4 FEB</b> 12:00	Considering an EHC Plan? Independent and impartial information to guide you through the process
<b>10 FEB</b> 17:30	Alternative Provision What constitutes a suitable education in relation to section 19 of the education act	<b>11 FEB</b> 12:00	Ordinarily Available Provision and SEN Support Looking at support available for those who do not have an EHCP
<b>17 FEB</b> 11:00	Responding to a draft EHCP If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft	<b>18 FEB</b> 13:00	Appeals to SEND Tribunal A step-by-step guide through the appeals process

[www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk/workshops](http://www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk/workshops)

## Hampshire SENDIASS Y6 SECONDARY TRANSITION

Join Lisa for our SEN Support Workshop

- Learn what a smooth transition looks like
- Explore practical SEN strategies
- Make the most of the time before September
- Get signposted to extra guidance



March 2026  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 13:00  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 17:00  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> 10:30

JOIN US VIA TEAMS



[WWW.HAMPSHIRESENDIASS.CO.UK/WORKSHOPS](http://WWW.HAMPSHIRESENDIASS.CO.UK/WORKSHOPS)



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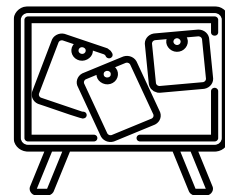
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## WE ARE RECRUITING!



Join Kingfishers  
Colden Common Preschool

An exciting new opportunity has arisen to join our friendly, supportive team.

### WE ARE OFFERING:

- Term time only
- Free parking
- Free uniform
- Excellent training and qualification support

### WHO WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

- Someone who is Level 3 qualified  
Someone who loves children, enjoys working outdoors (we offer Forest School), and is keen to learn and be part of a dynamic, forward-thinking preschool.

[www.kingfishersps.co.uk](http://www.kingfishersps.co.uk)

For more information and an application, email [manager@kingfishersps.co.uk](mailto:manager@kingfishersps.co.uk)

## Site Manager Vacancy– Owslebury Primary School

10 hours a week, term time + 1 week in school holidays

See our school website vacancies for information about the role at

[www.owslebury.hants.sch.uk](http://www.owslebury.hants.sch.uk)

or call the school office on 01962 777452 to have a chat about the role.

### Job Vacancy Advert

Our cleaning company, Atlas Cleaners, are trying to recruit a cleaner for 15 hours a week to clean our school each evening. Please see the job advert included in the link below.

[School Cleaner in Winchester - Atlas FM](#)



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[www.active8minds-winchester.co.uk](http://www.active8minds-winchester.co.uk)

Contact Details for Wraparound Care with Active8Minds in our school hall and playground. From 7:30am until 6pm daily.

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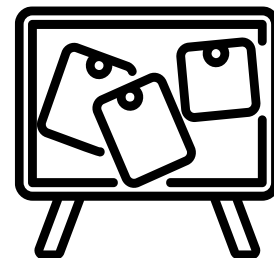
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THE FRIENDS  
of Owslebury School

# TRIVIA QUIZ Night

Are you ready for a night of trivia and fun? Join us for our Quiz Night, to become the CHAMPIONS of Owslebury! Bring your own snacks, BAR will be provided on the night! Help us raise money for the Grand New Outdoor Learning Area at Owslebury school!

**Friday Feb 6th @ 7pm**  
Hosted by: Lucy Chaplen

Tables of 8: £5pp  
Smaller teams of 3+ welcome

Email to book  
[Friendsofowslebury@gmail.com](mailto:Friendsofowslebury@gmail.com)

Where: Owslebury Primary School, SO21 1LS

 <p><b>QUIZ NIGHT</b> 6 FEBRUARY</p>	 <p><b>MOVIE NIGHT</b> 20 MARCH</p>
 <p><b>MAY DAY FUN</b> 1 MAY</p>	 <p><b>SUMMER FAIR</b> SATURDAY IN JULY TBC</p>

**Hampshire Healthy Steps** is family-focussed. We offer a flexible six-step programme to help you and your family get more active, sleep better, understand more about eating healthily and explore simple things that can help your family stay healthy. Once you have completed the enquiry form, a member of our team will respond to your enquiry in 2 working days to discuss how we can support you at Hampshire Healthy Steps.

<https://www.barnardos.org.uk/get-support/services/hampshire-healthy-steps/enquiry-form>

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