



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,

This week, we were delighted to welcome Caroline from SCARF, along with her good friend Harrold the Giraffe, who brought a wonderful classroom set-up to our hall. All classes had the opportunity to take part in further PSHE learning focused on mental health and wellbeing. The children were a real credit to the school, with excellent behaviour throughout. The feedback from the sessions highlighted just how engaged the children were, asking thoughtful questions, sharing their own knowledge and listening so respectfully to the adults leading the learning. A special thank you to Mrs Crew for supporting and helping to make this such a successful experience.

Despite the wind and rain on Tuesday evening, our Year 5/6 girls' football team represented Owslebury brilliantly. They played six matches, drawing two and losing four, but throughout showed fantastic teamwork, resilience and determination in challenging conditions. Our goalkeeper made some incredible saves in the final match, and Mrs Cope was keen to share how impressed she was with the girls' attitudes and sportsmanship. They have made everyone at school incredibly proud.

Back in the classrooms, there has been plenty of creativity and deep thinking taking place. Marwell Class have been making clay spinning tops as part of their learning about toys, Morestead Class have built accurate Tudor houses linked to their Great Fire of London topic, Baybridge Class have shown patience and precision while creating their own stop-motion animations, and Hensting Class have been writing atmospheric Mayan-inspired jungle stories.

As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding, may I gently remind families that adults should not be walking around the school building unescorted. If you need to speak to a member of staff, please do so at your child's drop-off or collection point, or arrange a time via the school office. This may be in the moment or through a planned appointment.

Let's hope the sun makes an appearance over the weekend, and as we look ahead to the half-term break.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend x

ATTENDANCE

CLASS	Weekly Attendance	Average This Year
Marwell	96.3%	97%
Morestead	98.1%	93.8%
Baybridge	93.6%	94.8%
Hensting	97%	95.2%

Regular attendance is one of the best ways to support your child's learning, and the Education Endowment Foundation highlights that it's strongly linked to better academic outcomes. Staying connected and working together helps every child thrive, so if you're facing any challenges with attendance, please let us know - **we're here to help.**

EVERY CHILD, EVERY SEAT, EVERY DAY, ON TIME

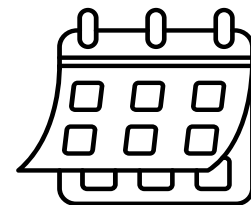


Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow


Updated school guidance about attendance processes at Owslebury Primary School on our website.

<https://www.owslebury.hants.sch.uk/attendance/>

Diary Dates



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.
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



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

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 FINAL LESSON 9th FEBRUARY. MUST have a swimming hat for long hair, swimming costume not too baggy, towel and a coat.

Catch up swimming sessions after half term – Yrs 5/6 selected children Only.

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

PE DAYS

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

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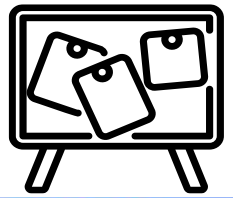


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Free holiday activities and meals for eligible children this February half-term!

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>



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- Confidential sessions not recorded.
- Peer support, talking to others experiencing a similar journey.
- A dedicated session with an experienced support worker

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

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 6th 13:00
Tuesday 10th 17:00
Thursday 12th 10:30

JOIN US VIA TEAMS



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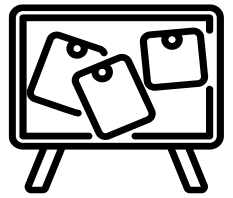
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OWSLEBURY
PRIMARY SCHOOL



PARENT FORUM



WEDNESDAY
25
FEBRUARY
5-6PM

Understanding Our
Curriculum and Expectations

We would like to invite parents and carers to join an online forum with the Headteacher and senior staff.

JOINING LINK:

[Owslebury Primary Parent Forum \(Online\)- LCh/ Meeting-Join/ Microsoft Teams](#)

Following recent parent survey feedback, this session will focus on:

- What your child is learning in school
- How learning builds across the year
- What we mean by having high expectations for all children
- How we can communicate learning more clearly with parents

Why attend?

This is an opportunity to:

- Hear how learning is planned and delivered across the school
- Ask questions about curriculum and expectations
- Share constructive feedback about school communication
- Help us improve how we work in partnership with families



Important information

This is a whole-school discussion, not a forum for individual pupil concerns
Individual issues can be followed up separately through usual channels
The session will be respectful, supportive, and solution-focused



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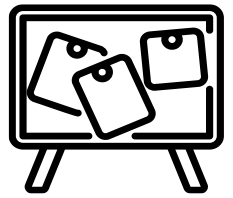
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P.A.C.E.
2026
PARENT & CARER EVENTS

NHS
Hampshire Child and Adolescent
Mental Health Services

Free health & wellbeing events for all parents & carers who support or work with young people

DATE	LOCATION
Thursday, 26 February 2026	Basingstoke Queen Mary's College, Cliddesden Rd, Basingstoke, Hampshire RG21 3HF
Thursday, 16 April 2026	Eastleigh Junction Church, 2 Romsey Road, Eastleigh SO50 9FE
Friday, 8 May 2026	Lyndhurst Lyndhurst Community Centre, Central Car Park, High Street, Lyndhurst SO43 7NY
Thursday, 25 June 2026	Andover Winton Community Academy, London Rd, Andover, Hampshire SP10 2PS
Monday, 5 October 2026	Havant Trosnant School, Stockheath Lane, Havant, Hampshire PO9 3BD
Friday, 23 October 2026	Waterlooville Waterlooville Community Centre, 10 Maurepas Way, Waterlooville PO7 7AY

BOOK YOUR SESSION SPACE AT:

hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/events

P.A.C.E. ITINERARY

TIME	SESSION 1	SESSION 2
9:30 - 10:45	New Understanding Adolescence & Their Mental Health What is adolescence & how can we understand teenage development. Brain development & the impact for young people at this stage of their lives. We will cover some ways to wellbeing for adolescents and consider how you as parents you can support your young person whilst maintaining your own wellbeing.	New Sleep Optimisation What is sleep and the importance of this. Why it may be difficult to sleep, & exploring what this is and how we can promote healthy sleep with some top tips.
11 - 12:15	A basic introduction to ADHD What is ADHD? Spotting the signs and symptoms from 5 years to 18 years. How to support a young person with symptoms of inattention, hyperactivity and impulsivity with or without an ADHD diagnosis.	New Understanding Suicide & Suicidal Thinking Understanding and increasing confidence in noticing and managing young people who may be distressed, not coping and at risk of self harm or suicide.
12:15 - 12:45	Lunch break	Lunch break
12:45 - 14:00	New Introduction to Low Mood Upskilling parents and carers to identify the signs of low mood in their young people and support them to break the cycle of low mood using activity scheduling and value based living techniques.	A basic introduction to Autism What is Autistic Spectrum Condition? Spotting the signs and symptoms Diagnosis: the process and things to know about the diagnostic assessment How to support a young person with ASC.
14:15 - 15:30	New School Avoidance & School Transition The session will aim to provide parents/carers an understanding of what emotionally based school avoidance is & the reasons why some young people find it difficult to attend school. Moving to a new school is a big life event we will cover common worries and how these might present in your child, strategies to manage worries that you can share with your child to help them build their resilience, as well as coping strategies to calm the physical symptoms of anxiety.	Parent Care - looking after yourself This session will focus on the needs and challenges for parents and carers, as well as provide a range of practical advice and strategies around how to look after yourself in order to better support the wellbeing of your child.
15:45 - 17:00	New Eight Skills to Support a Young Person This session will cover 8 different key skills and strategies that a parent/carer or professional can use to support a young person. It will be a practical and helpful opportunity to feel more confident and knowledgeable in supporting a young person.	Understanding & managing anxiety What anxiety is and how to spot the signs and symptoms of anxiety in children and young people. How to support a child and young person who experiences anxiety with practical strategies.
17:15 - 19:30	Understanding ADHD & the Strategies YOU need This session will include what ADHD is, practical strategies to support the child/ young person with identifying their strengths, prioritising tasks, building resilience and has a focus on maintaining wellbeing. It includes evidence-based parent/carer skills to manage behaviour that can challenge using Non-violent resistance skills. Overall the event provides tools to support children and young people with ADHD to thrive.	Supporting your autistic child to thrive This two-hour session will consider what areas of life can be challenging for autistic young people. We will think about how we can adapt our communication and the environment around the young person to make life easier and more suited to their needs. We will discuss practical changes that can be made in all the areas and give example of what these look like in real life. We will support you to think about the specific needs of your child and develop the beginnings of an individualised plan, providing the opportunity for discussion with other group members and the facilitators.



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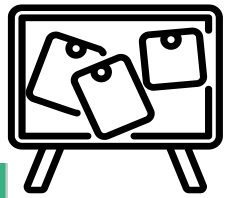
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DATE	LOCATION
26 February	Basingstoke
16 April	Eastleigh
8 May	Lyndhurst
25 June	Andover
5 October	Havant
23 October	Waterlooville



Scan this QR code to view our session itinerary for the day

EMBRACING AUTISM

Three days that focus on skills and strategies, for parents, carers and professionals supporting a child with Autism

- 4 February Havant
- 9 July Eastleigh
- 17 November Andover

UNDERSTANDING ADHD

Three days that focus on skills and strategies, for parents, carers and professionals supporting a child with ADHD

- 5 March Eastleigh
- 16 September Havant
- 3 November Andover

Stopping Avoidable Suicides Initiative SASI

Hampshire CAMHS are offering a one-day training event on suicide prevention across three different locations in Hampshire

- 27 February Andover
- 11 June Waterlooville
- 2 October Eastleigh

HOW TO COPE WHEN YOUR CHILD CANT

Three one-day events focused on parents/carers understanding their own needs, and learning strategies to look after themselves as they support a young person with their own mental health needs.

- 22 January Winchester
- 15 May Eastleigh
- 30 September Basingstoke

Trauma

Understanding the impact of trauma on a young person's brain, body and behaviour and how we can guide them from surviving to thriving

- 4 June Basingstoke
- 7 October Havant

Anxiety

Understanding & strategies to support young people

- 28 January Basingstoke
- 11 November Havant

CHILDREN'S AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH INFORMATION & ADVICE SESSIONS



The first Wednesday of every month

10am - 2pm

The Arc, Jewry Street, Winchester, SO23 8SB



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