

OLD HEATH COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



THE FRIDAY FLYER (but on a Thursday!!!)

Thursday 20th July 2017

YEAR 6 GOOD BYE, GOOD LUCK & THANK YOU, SPORTING TRIUMPHS & HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO EVERYONE!

The Year 6 of 2017 have finally left the building! (Though there are a few bits of clothing left behind!!) Thank you Year 6 for being such a splendid and supportive class. You have worked exceedingly hard this year and have shown the whole school community just what you are made of. I know many of you found saying 'Good bye' today very hard but you will be absolutely fine, as long as there are no spiders, when you start at your next school! You all have so many good skills and attitudes that we all know that once you have got through the school gate, your wings will grow a little more and 'flying' will become easier! You should be very proud and have a great holiday! (PS please could you check at home for two missing Leavers 2017 hoodies ~ if you find them can you let school know!)

I would like to thank all the children, parents, grandparents and staff for the two fabulous Sports Days that we have sprinted, jumped, thrown and cheered at! Congratulations to Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 plus Pre School for participating with enthusiasm. Year 5 deserve a special mention for their encouragement and organisation at the KS1 and Early Years Sports Morning. In KS2, well done to Team Captains and Vice Captains for Farah, Ennis, Holmes and Wiggins for the collection of their teams sports scores and keeping everyone moving along to the next activity. Lots of adults at the event have commented on the high participation and competition level but also the amount of support our children show each other when things haven't gone quite according to plan! Every child should be proud of what they achieved on Wednesday, lots didn't win a race but you all participated and gave it your very best go!

Thank you very much for all the wonderful cards and gifts that have been received by staff all over the school. They are very much appreciated!

I hope everyone; children, parents, grandparents and staff all have a fabulous summer break, fingers crossed for the weather, and we'll see you all back on Tuesday 5th September!

OHSA

The OHSA are celebrating a £1550 profit at the Summer Fete! Congratulations but they are also in need of a new treasurer! From a school point of view, in increasingly tighter budget situations across the country, organisations like the OHSA are critical to schools to provide the lovely extras and in the next few years we may be looking to them to help fund some of schools basic needs!

NEXT YEARS' DATES SO FAR

Please find on page 4 of this Flyer the second version of the Diary Dates for 2017/18.

ORIENTEERING

On the 4th July we entered fifteen pairs of Year 5/6 children in the Essex Stragglers Schools Orienteering Festival. The Festival consisted of an introductory workshop with various 'orienteering' activities and then a timed competition based around 28 control points situated over the Danbury Park, with teachers from the various schools acting as stewards on the course.

It was an incredibly well organised event.

I have attached one of the Essex Stragglers Junior Mini Series to the email if you would like to try to get involved over the summer holidays!



19 control points
in 30 minutes



23 control points in 30 minutes



16 control points
in 30 minutes.

Our top three Orienteering pairs!

Zach and Oliver were 1 of only four pairs over the whole competition who scored the highest number of controls 'captured' in 30 minutes! Approximately over 300 pairs of children were due to attend the event!

Excellent map reading, route finding, speed and team work!

I am hoping that we will be able to get some photos from KS2 Sports Day published out later and photos of Kingswood to Y6 individually over the summer, sorry it has taken so long ~ too click happy on iPads and cameras!!

OHSA NEWS

Message from The Chair ~ Emilie Askew

First of all we would like to thank everybody who has helped organised or supported the school Summer Fete this year; with a special thank you to Garden Games for lending us the inflatables and games which made it even more special!

Reading the feedbacks, it sounds like you all had a wonderful time; children and adults alike!

Thanks to all the volunteers and helpers and all of you who came and spent your money at the Fete we have raised over £1550!

Unfortunately, we have received the sad news that our trusted treasurer will not be able to carry on with this role next year and that he will be stepping down at the AGM. We will miss him greatly and wish him all the best. However it does mean that unless we can find a replacement treasurer, the OHSA will NOT be able to continue to operate and will have to close.

There will be an AGM in September (date to be confirmed) where new trustees are voted in, so if you are interested in becoming our treasure or a new trustee or just want to know more about how the OHSA runs then please come along to the meeting. We understand that some of you may be thinking that becoming a treasurer could be a daunting step but if you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact us via email (oldheathassociation@gmail.com), our Facebook page, come and talk to us in the playground or read the message from David, our treasurer....

Message from Treasurer ~ David Moyes

We have been fortunate at our school to have the OHSA as it has been an integral part of the school community for many years. In its time, the OHSA has raised thousands of pounds, which has been spent on equipment and resources to enhance our children's education experience and the school's facilities.

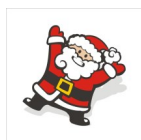
Our OHSA is about much more than simply fundraising. The OHSA exists to provide closer links between home and school and it is an excellent way to bring staff, parents and friends together socially in support of the school, working towards a common goal. It can be fun too - just ask any of the Committee members or OHSA helpers.

As the current Treasurer of the OHSA, I will be standing down at the next AGM in September. However, we have tried in the past few years to recruit a replacement Treasurer, without success.

The Treasurer is one of the four crucial roles on the OHSA and a summary of the main duties include: managing the bank account, arranging floats for events, counting event proceeds, reporting raffle proceeds to ECC to maintain the license, maintaining an accurate record of income and expenditure and providing an accounts summary for the AGM each year. You do not need to be an accountant or have accounts training, **just enjoy counting money!**

We would love to hear from anyone that would like to know more about this, or any of the other OSHA roles, as it is unlikely that the OHSA will be able to continue into the new school year unless we are able to fill this position.

**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT THIS YEAR
AND WE WISH YOU ALL A FANTASTIC SUMMER BREAK!
OHSA events at risk..... Disco....Fireworks Xmas Fair.... Easter Egg
Hunt... Summer Fete**



DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/18 UPDATE 2 ~ 20th July 2017

Autumn Term 2017

NON PUPIL DAY 1 Mon 4th September

Children return to school on Tues 5th September

Half Term Week is Mon 23rd ~ Fri 27 October

Break up for Christmas on Tues 19th Dec 2017

NON PUPIL DAY 2 Wed 20th December

Spring Term 2018

NON PUPIL DAY 3 Tues 2nd January

Children return to school on Wed 3rd January

Half Term Week is Mon 12th ~ Friday 16th February

NON PUPIL DAY 4 Mon 19th February

Break up for Easter on Thurs 29th March

Summer Term 2018

Children return to school on Mon 16th April 2018

Half Term Week is Mon 28th May ~ Fri 1st June

NON PUPIL DAY 5 Mon 4th June

Break Up for Summer Holidays on Fri 20th July

**PARENTS & TEACHER
CONSULTATION
EVENINGS**

**WEDNESDAYS
11th & 18th
OCTOBER 2017**

**Letters to follow in
Sept!**

HALLOWEEN DISCO

Thursday 19th October



FIREWORK DISPLAY

Thursday 2nd November



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Friday 8th December



PANTO AT THE MERCURY

Tuesday 19th December
'Snow White & The Seven
Dwarfs'

YEAR 4 KINGSWOOD WEST RUNTON TRIP

FEBRUARY 2018



BIKEABILITY LEVEL 2 TRAINING FOR Y5 & Y6

20th and 21st
March 2018



BIKEABILITY LEVEL 1 TRAINING FOR Y4

19th April
2018



YEAR 5 KINGSWOOD GROSVENOR HALL TRIP

MAY 2018



YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

11th—15th JUNE 2018

**YHA HELMSLEY
NORTH YORK MOORS**

**YEAR 4 SWIMMING HAS BEEN BOOKED FOR THE SUMMER
TERM: FRIDAY 27th APRIL—FRIDAY 6th JULY**