

Newsletter

Beginning of Term 6 – 06/06/2022

End of Term 6 – 26/07/2022



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Principal's Message



It is difficult to believe we are now in the final term of the academic year – so far, the weather hasn't been up to its normal summer standard, but we were incredibly lucky to have perfect weather for our sports day! This was our first since 2018, as in 2019 it was rained off and since then, Covid restrictions prevented all our community events from taking place.

It is great to be able to celebrate events on site again; for our Hall of Fame Celebration assembly in term 5 parents/carers of nominated pupils attended, along with the parents of the winners of the Attendance awards. Our Jubilee celebrations were incredible with pupils enjoying dance workshops, Jubilee lunches, a Royal Tea Party was held for nominated pupils, and we held a singing assembly on the playground, culminating in the Jubilee Flag being raised whilst we sang the National Anthem.

On a very different note, we are aware Chickenpox continues to be prevalent throughout the country, and the academy has also been affected with several pupils recently having confirmed cases of Chickenpox. We continue to encourage pupils to maintain high standards of hygiene, and the intense level of cleaning across the academy remains in place. Please see the NHS poster we have included for information about various infectious diseases, and if in doubt, contact your GP or pharmacy for further advice.

Please take the time to read the newsletter carefully as it contains lots of information for the coming weeks. We use MYCAS to share all information with parents, so if you are having any problems with the App or if you have any questions, please contact the office via office@oasis-skinnerstreet.org.

Finally, I hope you manage to enjoy the final few weeks of the summer term and look forward to seeing you at the various events being held.

Messages



Communication

My Child At School (MYCAS)

As you will be aware, we use the My Child At School (MYCAS) App to communicate with parents. This allows us to send information including text messages, emails etc in the most efficient and timely way, for example, details of trips, events, first aid treatment administered etc.

If you have not yet used MY Child At school and would like support with this, please email office@oasis Skinnerstreet.org and a member of the Admin Team will contact you.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available to all pupils during term time at 07.45hrs but a polite reminder, places must be booked and paid for via My Child At School (MYCAS) 24 hours in advance.

MCAS Payments

Please ensure that all monies owed for Breakfast club/ School Dinners/ Trips etc are paid by the end of the academic year – 26/07/2022. Failure in doing so will result in invoices being sent to your home address.

Contact Details - Update

It is very important that you contact the office to inform us of any changes to your address and phone numbers.

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2022 / 2023

Term 1 (All Children return) – **Monday 5th September 2022**

Visit our website to view

2022/2023 Term Dates



Race for Life

The **KS2** children will complete their Sports Day on **Thursday 9th June 2022** by participating in the Race for Life and completing two laps of the track.

Each child who completes the Race for Life will be given a medal.

This event was cancelled due to covid last year but the sponsorship forms sent out at the end of last term can be used as the account is still valid even though the year is stated as 2021.

Sponsorship money can be handed in anytime up until Friday 1st July to the office.

OASS Primary Discover Day!

Saturday 18th June 2022 10am – 12pm

If you have a child under 4 years who is due to start school in September 2023, come and join us for a free morning of activities, full of fun and discovery for your little ones and useful information for the adults.

You can register your place via our Facebook page or on our website

<https://www.oasisacademyskinnerstreet.org/>



Transition Day

Transition day will take place on Thursday 7th July. Pupils in Year 6 will attend their new secondary school and pupils in Years R – Y5 will come to the Academy and meet their new class teacher from September. A separate letter with full details was sent earlier this week.

Sports Day 2022

Thank you to everyone who supported our brilliant Sports Day this year – our first since 2018! We received lots of positive comments and would really like to seek your ideas and suggestions on how we can improve this for future events. We would be very grateful if you could answer 3 questions for us by following this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/qYPCcGL2Zd>

Thank you for your support.

End of Year DISCO!

To celebrate the end of the academic year, we will be holding a school disco for pupils on Thursday 14th July. Tickets cost £1 per child and must be booked via MYCAS. Tickets will be available on MYCAS from Monday 13th June until Friday 1st July. Please note, only pupils who have purchased a ticket via MYCAS will be permitted to attend.

As we are a cashless site, the Tuck shop is being offered in a different way; if your child would like to purchase a Tuckshop Bag, you can place an order via MYCAS. The Tuckshop bag will cost £1 per child (only 1 purchase per child permitted) and will consist of a drink and a selection

of sweets. This is optional, you do not have to purchase anything from the tuckshop, however, you do have to purchase a ticket in order to attend the disco. We regret, pupils cannot bring their own food and drink to the disco.



The disco for EYFS / KS1 pupils will start at 15:30hrs and will finish at 16:15hrs. EYFS / KS1 pupils attending the discos do not need to be collected, they can change into their disco outfit and will then be brought to the hall. A Tuckshop bag will be given to those pupils who have purchased in advance. Parents/carers will need to collect EYFS/KS1 pupils from the hall exit door.

The disco for KS2 pupils will start at 16:30hrs and will finish at 17:30hrs. Pupils attending the KS2 disco will need to be collected from school at the normal time, and then return to the playground to enter the disco via the Year 4 door. A Tuckshop bag will be given to those pupils who have purchased in advance. Parents/carers will need to collect KS2 pupils from the hall exit door.

If you are experiencing any difficulties accessing MYCAS, please contact the office and a member of the team will be pleased to show you how to use the App on your mobile phone.

Eco Team

This term we have been busy helping with the gardening around the school. We have been weeding the flower beds at the front of the school near the office and we have also kept the local wildlife fed by filling up the bird feeders regularly.

The Eco club have also been given a donation by Wilkinson's to buy some things for the school so watch this space to find out more what we are planning to do with it.

Top Tip: Generating a big impact always starts with implementing the smallest changes. Try switching to eco-friendly soaps, washing up liquids and detergents that are free from any harmful chemicals or pollutants.

You Said.....We Did

We are always seeking constructive feedback in our efforts to continuously improve the academy. If you have any ideas to share with us, please email office@oasis Skinner Street.org.

You said...	We did...
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It can be difficult to attend events if short notice is given. • You would like more information about what topics / curriculum is covered in each year group and what the expectations are i.e. homework, trips etc. • You are unsure how to access information using the My Child At School App. • You have missed coming into the academy to see pupils work and to watch assemblies etc! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have provided more notice to parents / carers of key events such as Sports Day, Year 6 performances and end of term arrangements. • We have arranged a series of Meet the Teacher sessions to share what topics / curriculum is covered in each year group and what the expectations are i.e. homework, trips etc. • We have supported parents/carers to use the My Child At School App, with members of the Administration Team supporting parents / carers to download and demonstrate the App. • Parents / carers are invited back into the academy wherever possible; there was a fantastic turn out for the Easter Bonnet parade, and the Easter scenes were proudly displayed in the hall. Parents of pupils nominated for the Hall of Fame and / or pupils who won Attendance awards have attended the assemblies to see first-hand the awards being presented. Sports day has incorporated a picnic to allow parents / carers to spend time with their child(ren) between events.

Year 2 Parents/ Carers reminder...

Universal Free School Meals are for Year R, 1 & 2 only. To see if you are eligible for Free School Meals when your child returns in Year 3, please use the link below:

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/link2ict>

New Staff



We received an unbelievable number of applications from people wanting to join our academy, and following a thorough selection and assessment process, we are delighted to introduce the successful candidates who will join us in September.



A warm welcome to Mrs Longstaff who will join our fantastic EYFS Team in September 2022.



Introducing Mrs Brown who brings a wealth of experience and exciting ideas to the academy. Mrs Broen will be class teacher in KS2.



A familiar face is returning! Some of you may remember Mr Wallen from his time in the academy earlier this year. Mr Wallen will be KS2 teacher.



Miss Rogers is very excited to be join the academy as the class teacher for Buttercups. From September she will be Mrs Harvey!

iPads

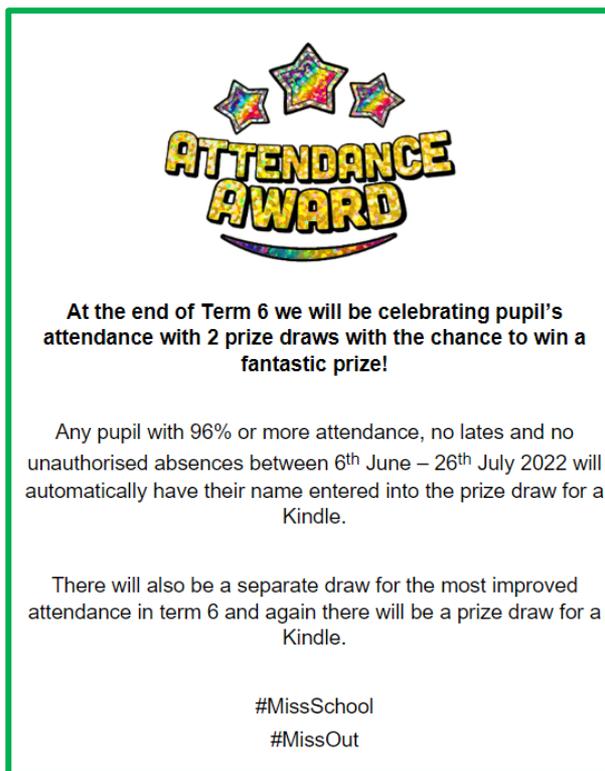
All pupils are expected to have their iPad in school, fully charged, every day to support their learning. **All pupils in Year 6 must have their I-pad and charger in school on Monday 18th July** as we begin the process of auditing and collecting in devices. If there are any issues with the devices or if the apple charger is not returned, there may be a charge. This was explained in the agreement which parents / carers signed at the time devices were issued.

Any repairs must be carried out via the OCL IT team and cannot be undertaken by independent services. If you have mislaid the original charger or have any issues with the iPad, **please let us know now so we can resolve before the end of term.** Pupils should raise any issues with their class teacher in the first instance, or you can send an email to the relevant year group email, stating the pupils name, class and what the issue is. The email can then be passed to the class teacher.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Absence and Illness

We are often asked about when pupils should refrain from attending school due to diagnosed illness, and the NHS poster below gives clear guidance. Please note that in order for absence to be authorised, medical proof will be required. [Shoud I keep my child off school checklist poster \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk)



If you wish to request authorised absence for your child(ren), please complete and return the absence request form which can be found on our website: [Attendance - \(oasisacademyskinnerstreet.org\)](https://www.oasisacademyskinnerstreet.org)

KS2

In Key Stage 2 this term, the theme is titled **SHOWASIS** because during the next 5 weeks, the children will be practising, re-editing and showcasing their work from across the year.

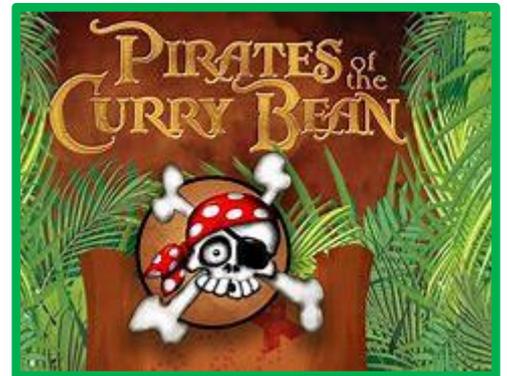


Across Years 3-6 this term, in **Geography**, the children will be focusing on and learning about fieldwork. In **History** all year groups will be focusing on the Tudors however each focusing on a different aspect of this period of History. In **RE** (Religious Education) each year is focusing on celebrations for each religion they have been studying.

As part of the end of year showcase, in **PE** the children will be focusing on Dance - learning about and performing street dance. In **Science** lessons, Year 3 and 6 are learning about light, while Year 4 are learning about electricity and Year 5 material changes.

Year 6 Production

Year 6 will be practising and performing (at Mid Kent College) their **end of year production** called Pirates of the Curry Bean. They will be focusing on the skills of performing on a stage such as speaking confidently and acting in role. They will be learning and performing songs, as well as dance routines to accompany.



The production will be showing on the following:

Monday 4th July - Mid Kent College. In the afternoon, the children will perform the play to Key Stage 1
Wednesday 6th July - Mid Kent College. In the afternoon, the children will perform the play to Key Stage 2
Wednesday 6th July - **Mid Kent College. At 4:15pm, the children will perform the play to their parents/carers**

Tickets are free and will go on sale to buy on MCAS for this during Term 6 and we will let you know when.



Challenger Troop this term is Rowan Class

EYFS/ KS1

EYFS- We will be learning about the 4 seasons focusing on summer. We will be looking at how to stay safe in the sun and at sea. We will also be exploring transport and key places in London from our jubilee week.

This term our topic is Performance, we are learning about the Tudors in history and in Science we are learning about living things and their habitats.



Diary Dates for Term 6

Wednesday 1 st June 2022	Registration for the Medway Test 2022 opens	Year 5
Thursday 16 th June 2022	Information session for parents/carers of pupils attending Residential trip	Y6
Saturday 18 th June 2022	Discovery Day for pupils starting school September 2023 - Pre-booked places only	
Wednesday 22 nd June 2022	Pupil ALT visiting Lower Marsh – letters will be sent home with relevant pupils	
Thursday 23 rd June 2022	Superhero Visit	Whole School
Friday 24 th June 2022	OCL Development Day – Academy closed to pupils	
Monday 27 th June 2022	Information session / initial stay and play session 15:30 – 16:30hrs	Parents /pupils joining Year R Sept 2022
Wednesday 29 th June 2022	Mosque Visit @ Jamia Gillingham Mosque - Kent Muslim Welfare Association	Year 3
Thursday 30 th June 2022	Registration for the Medway Test 2022 closes	Year 5
	Play and stay session	Pupils joining Year R Sept 2022
Friday 1 st July 2022	Residential trip to Cavalier, Dockside	Year 4
Monday 4 th July 2022	Play and stay session	Pupils joining Year R Sept 2022
Wednesday 6 th July 2022	End of Year Performance to Parents at MKC	Year 6
Thursday 7 th July 2022	Transition Day – see separate letter	Whole school
Monday 11 th July 2022 – Wednesday 13 th July 2022	Residential trip (Wild child - Hertfordshire)	Year 6
Thursday 14 th July 2022	School disco: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EYFS and KS1: 15:30 – 16:15 KS2: 16:30 – 17:30 Pre-booked places only: see newsletter for details	Whole school
Friday 15 th July 2022	End of Year Reports sent to parents / carers	Whole School
Monday 18 th July 2022	Leavers Celebration St Marks Church. Whole school and Y6 Parents only	Year 6
Monday 25 th July 2022	Year 6 pupils to bring in (not wear) shirt for signing	Year 6
Tuesday 26 th July 2022	Last day of school for pupils: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y6 wear signed t-shirt PM class parties Ice Cream Van on site for Y6 then outside school at the end of the day for parents to purchase any ice creams 	Whole School

Please find attached the revised term dates 2022 – 2023. The dates which have changed are highlighted in yellow for ease of reference.

Apologies for any inconvenience Caused, this was due to an administration error.

Term Dates September 2022 – July 2023



Term 1	SS Inset Day 1 – Pupils do not attend	Thursday 1 st September 2022
	SS Inset Day 2 – Pupils do not attend	Friday 2 nd September 2022
	Term begins for pupils	Monday 5th September 2022
	OCL Inset Day 1 – Pupils do not attend	Friday 14 th October 2022
	Term ends	Friday 21st October 2022
Autumn Break (2 weeks)	Monday 24^h October – Friday 4th November 2022	
Term 2	Term begins	Monday 7th November 2022
	Term Ends	Tuesday 20th December 2022
Winter Break	Wednesday 21st December 2022 – Monday 2nd January 2023	
Term 3	SS Inset Day 3 – Pupils do not attend	Tuesday 3 rd January 2023
	Term begins for pupils	Wednesday 4th January 2023
	Term ends	Friday 10th February 2023
February Break	Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2023	
Term 4	Term begins	Monday 20th February 2023
	Term ends for pupils	Friday 31st March 2023
Spring Break	Monday 3rd April – Friday 14th April 2023	
Term 5	Term begins	Monday 17th April 2023
	Early May Bank Holiday – Pupils do not attend	Monday 1 st May 2023
	Term ends	Friday 26th May 2023
May Break	Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2023	
Term 6	Term begins	Monday 5th June 2023
	OCL Inset Day 2 – Pupils do not attend	Friday 23 rd June 2023
	Term ends for pupils	Friday 21st July 2023
	SS Inset Day 4 – Pupils do not attend	Monday 24 th July 2023

* The Academy has 4 Inset days and OCL Trust has 2 Inset Days.

Whilst we have taken every care to ensure these dates are accurate at the time of publication, there may be occasions when we need to change dates for reasons outside our control.