

Newsletter 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023



# **Message from Mrs Christopher**

Welcome back to a brand new academic year at Oakhurst Community Primary School! We hope you and your children had a restful and enjoyable summer break.

We are pleased to announce that Oakhurst Community Primary School has now officially joined the Grove Learning Trust. This exciting partnership will provide us with even more opportunities to enhance the education and well-being of our pupils and staff.

We would like to remind you that our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions will be taking place on Wednesday 13th September. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to meet your child's new teacher, ask any questions you may have, and gain a better understanding of the year ahead.

We encourage you to stay connected with us through our monthly newsletters, Schoop and Seesaw.

We are looking forward to a fantastic year ahead, filled with new experiences, growth, and success for all our pupils. Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

### **Schoop updates**

Please remember to update your Schoop settings to match your child's new class and year group. Schoop will continue to be our main method of communicating information to parents. If you are not receiving Schoop messages, please contact Schoop directly so that they can look into the issue.

You can contact support via support@schoop.co.uk, or via telephone on 029 2078 2975

#### **Uniform and PE kit**

We would like to take a moment to celebrate and express our gratitude for your efforts in ensuring that all our pupils are wearing the correct uniform and PE kit. Your support in maintaining our school's standards is greatly appreciated.

## **Year 6 Residential Trip**

I am delighted to share the news of the successful Year 6 residential trip to Pencelli. Our students had an incredible time exploring the great outdoors, building friendships and creating lasting memories. Don't forget to check out our Facebook page for a glimpse into their adventures through the wonderful photos captured.

We will be in touch with all Year 5 families soon to explain how you can secure a place for your child to attend the September 2024 residential trip.

We would really value any feedback from our Year 6 parents regarding the trip. Please email the school office with any feedback.

#### **Pride of Oakhurst Award**

We will be returning to holding a weekly celebration assembly for the whole school. These assemblies will take place on a Friday afternoon. Each teacher will nominate one class member to receive a 'Pride of Oakhurst Award' for demonstrating one of our values (Unity, courage & ambition).

### Oakhurst needs you...

Our Academy Committee are recruiting for a new member.

Governors offer strategic guidance, rather than getting involved in the operational aspects of a school. This involves:

- Working with other board members to plan the school's strategic direction.
- Having oversight of the standards reporting.
- Holding the headteacher or school leadership to account.

A governor's relationship with the school's leadership team involves challenging existing processes to drive school improvement. Governors usually attend around six meetings per year. Although becoming a governor requires drive and commitment, you'll enjoy many professional and personal rewards, including career development opportunities and the chance to support young people's futures.

If you are interested in finding out more about the role, please contact Mrs Christopher via the school office.

### Clubs

In response to parent feedback, we are pleased to be offering a wider variety of clubs this year. Please look out for our 'Club offer letter' which will be published later this week.

Allocation of club places will be managed by our Business Support Officers via the school office.