



NEWSLETTER

Friday 18th November



From Mrs Silke and Miss Patel

Dear Parents/Carers,

In our new roles as Head boy and Head girl, we would like to inform you about **Anti-Bullying week**. Along with Mrs. Williams, we had the opportunity to present a special ‘Power for Good’ assembly, both to KSI and KS2. The main message was to encourage children to not be a bystander but instead be an UPSTANDER, which means to report any unkind behaviour to us or a trusted adult.

Our role as Head boy and Head girl is to look out for our pupils and make sure that they feel safe and happy. With the help of our deputies and the school council representatives, we strive to ensure that no one is a victim of bullying.

We believe that children learn better through examples and although we are much older than them, they might feel more confident to speak to us. Some progress has already been carried out. If you aren't already aware we have a program set up by Maria, Oval's Place2Be manager. If pupils are worried about anything, they can go to a Place2Be counsellor at lunch time for support. All children have to do is fill out a slip and a meeting can be arranged. It is a great service, which has benefitted many of the children at Oval.

Kind regards,

Head boy - Joshua Ramasawmy
Head girl - Rym Daoud

The **building project** continues to make good pace. The drainage work on the field has now been completed. This week we will see the main electricity supply connected. The main hording has been removed to allow for external ground work to be fully completed. We hope to be able to share some views of the inside of the building with you next week.



Miss Lawlor

We love Reading!



Staff from Ark Oval visited Waterstone's bookstore in Croydon to buy books to read to their classes. We can't wait to read these wonderful books to our pupils!

Keep our children safe and neighbours happy in Oval Road.

We have received a number of complaints and expressions of concern regarding children's safety from neighbours and parents regarding cars being parked on yellow zig-zags and in front of driveways in Oval Road, at drop off and collection times. Please could you refrain from doing this, so that we do not inconvenience our neighbours, and most importantly, keep our children safe. **Mrs Silke**



Dates for your diary

'Meet the Principal' tea party



Monday 28th November

Time: 2:30 pm & 5:30 pm

Tuesday 29th November

Time: 8:45 am

Venue: Lower Hall

Winter Concerts and Performances:

9:15 am

Please join us before the concerts (from 8:30 am) for minced pies and treats. All parents to be seated for 9:15 am

EYFS: Tuesday 13th December



Year 1: Wednesday 14th December

Year 2: Thursday 15th December

Year 3: Friday 16th December

Year 4: Monday 19th December

Years 5 and 6: Tuesday 20th December

Friday 9th December

Inset day- academy closed to pupils

Wednesday 21st December

End of term: home time 1 pm

Parent evenings have been moved to January so that we can report on the progress of your child's entire autumn term. A progress report will be sent as usual in December 2016.

Tuesday 17th January 3:40 – 6:30 pm

Thursday 19th January 3:40 – 6:30 pm

Our SPIRIT value of the week was:

Independence

The following children demonstrated this value this week and each received a certificate in assembly.

Swansea	N'Zinga Des Santos
Warwick	Xanthi Brett- Crowther
Bath	Thomas Burke
Manchester	Anas Ashraf
York	Alexia Dadzie
Roehampton	Ayoki Gray-Thorne
Exeter	Rayihan Kibuye
Liverpool	Julia Lendo
Winchester	Aidan Daldin
Canterbury	Rosie Formoso
Brighton	Roshni Rajasekaran
Dundee	Taylon Bell
Durham	Sydney Patel
Aberdeen	Aradhana Ramesh
Glasgow	Joshua Malik
Westminster	Roopal Chakraborty
Oxford	Tonisha Crosdale
Cambridge	Letisha Caldwell-Ozigbo



This week's attendance awards

The highest attending class in KS1 (including EYFS) is: **Warwick**

The highest attending class in KS2 is: **Brighton**

These classes get to display the attendance cups proudly in their classrooms for all to see.

As you can see there are lots of exciting things to look forward to this half term. We are particularly excited about the winter concerts, which will be a great opportunity for our pupils to show off their singing talents.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Silke and Miss Patel