

E-Bulletin

5th November 2018

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the start of term 2 at Oasis Academy Longmeadow. Last term was incredibly busy and finished with our second Ofsted monitoring visit in the last week. We will be able to share the results of that inspection as soon as the report is finalised.

Thank you so much to all the parents and carers who came to our Sharing Our Learning event on the last Tuesday of term. It makes such a difference to children if you are able to come and see what they have learned. If you did not make it this time please do try your best to come and see the children in their Christmas performances this term, and for the next Sharing Our Learning event at the end of term 3.

This term's topics

We will be starting our regular topics in week three this term as we have two very special weeks of learning planned first.

This week we will be focussing on learning about World War One, and remembrance to commemorate the centenary of the 1918 Armistice. Each class will learn about a different soldier from Trowbridge who lost their life in that terrible war. Please ask your children what they are learning about.

In week 2 we will be holding our Science Week. This will start with an explosive assembly and a planetarium session in the Hall. We are very grateful to Bath University for their help with this event.

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FOALS

A huge thank you and well done to all the FOALs team who organised such a fantastic Autumn disco at the end of last term. An amazing amount of £262 has been raised through this event.

It was great to see all the children - and lots of the teachers - dressing up in spooky costumes.

FOALs have two more events planned this term. On Friday 23rd November we are running a Black Friday Film Night. This is a great chance for you to leave the children with us while you grab some bargains.

Saturday 8th December is our fantastic Christmas Fair. Please support these events!

Feeling Festive

Although Christmas is still a way off, we have lots of fantastic activities planned to celebrate the festive season. Here are some dates for your diaries.

- **Tuesday 20th November:** Pantomime in School– Robin Hood
- **Friday 23rd November:** Black Friday Film Night. A chance to leave your children with us for a few hours while you grab some bargains (see FOALS for tickets)
- **Saturday 24th November:** OALM choir singing at Trowbridge Christmas Lights Switch On.
- **Tuesday 27th November - Sat 1st December:** St James' Church Christmas Tree Festival
- **Saturday 8th December:** FOALS Christmas Fair
- **Tuesday 18th December:** KS2 Carols by Candlelight at St James' Church.
- **Wednesday 19th December:** Reception and KS1 Nativity at school.
- **Thursday 20th December:** Christmas Lunch and class parties.

Being Kind

This term, we are focussing on being kind. This is such an important habit.

We are going to work hard with children to help them understand and practise how to be kind throughout each day, for examples, in lessons, in the playground and in the dining hall.

We know that it isn't always easy to be kind and we will be helping children develop strategies through circle time discussions, assemblies and story time.

We are going to celebrate and recognise the acts of kindness that children practice in a number of ways:

Kindness stickers. Every act of kindness will be rewarded with a sticker and the stickers can be traded for presents at the end of each week. We will also celebrate kindness with our kind learner of the week certificate.

Ready for PE

It is fantastic to see the children looking so smart in the new PE T-shirts we gave to each child at the start of represent their House colours, with pride.

However, a few children seem to have mislaid theirs. Please could you have a good look for them at home as it is really important that children have the right kit and feel proud and ready to be active in PE lessons.

A reminder that for PE children need:

- **House colour PE Tshirt**
- **Shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms**
- **Trainers or plimsolls**

Children have PE twice a week (one indoor and one outdoor session). It is really important that they are fully able to take part in this important activity.

Please make sure your children bring their PE kit to school every Monday. They should then keep it in school until Friday, when they can take it home for washing.

All children should also have a water bottle in school. Thank you for your help with this.

Coming Up Soon

DATE	DETAILS
5th Nov	Remembrance week.
8th Nov	Y4 representing OALM in Trowbridge Schools' remembrance service
12th Nov	Science week
20th Nov	Whole School pantomime—Robin Hood
23rd Nov	Black Friday Film Night—Please see FOALS for tickets
24th Nov	OALM Choir Trowbridge Christmas Lights
28th/ 29th November	Parent/teacher meetings