



Newsletter

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Message from Head Teacher

Following Prime Minister Mr Johnson's statement yesterday, New Oscott Primary School will be closing to the majority of pupils at the end of the day tomorrow, Friday 20th March 2020 until further notice.

We will be emailing out a survey to parents (hopefully today) to identify which pupils are children of parents in the 'key workers' group and who may wish their child/ren to continue to attend school from Monday 23rd March to enable us to plan staffing and provision for these pupils. As I write, we are still awaiting this information from Government.

Please see the letter emailed out to parents this morning for more information about our enforced closure. This is also available on our school website.

I would like to send best wishes to all our pupils, families and staff in these difficult and challenging times. I will send relevant information by email and text during the school closure and I am looking forward to welcoming everyone back once schools are instructed to reopen.

Stay safe and take care of yourselves.
Mrs Walklett

Year 6 Secondary Schools

Please could Year 6 parents let Mrs Kerr (School Office) know by email if your child will be attending a different secondary school to the one originally allocated on 2nd March. Thank you.

Nursery September 2020 Applications

A reminder that **all application forms** for Nursery in September 2020 must be received in the school office by **Friday, 20th March**. This year, there are 20 '30-hour' places available for eligible families, as well as part-time morning or afternoon places. Please speak to Mrs Kerr in the School Office. The Nursery Admissions policy is available on the school website.

Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust

If you require the support of the Trust's School Clothing Award Scheme, it can be applied for now. To be eligible to apply, you must be a permanent resident of one of the four Wards of Sutton Coldfield and in receipt of:

- Income Support
- Job Seekers Allowance
- Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit
- Universal Credit
- Working Tax Credit (please note that minimum income levels may apply)

Application forms can be collected from the School Office and need to be returned with proof of benefit by **Friday 20th March**. Only one form needs to be completed per family.

Inter-House Fun Run



Well done to all our Junior pupils who took part in last Friday's Inter-house Fun Run. Congratulations to our individually placed pupils and to the overall winning House: Oak!



Staff News

Congratulations to Miss Coleman who has been appointed as Assistant Head Teacher leading on Pupil Well-being and Behaviour and will join our senior leadership team in this role from after Easter.

If school is re-opened before the end of the summer term, Mrs Lacey will teach the class for most of the time, although Miss Coleman will continue to teach her writing group until the end of the school year and will continue to support with planning etc.

I would like to congratulate Miss Coleman on this promotion to our senior leadership team and wish her every success in her new role.

Mrs Devine, Year 4 teacher, will be leaving New Oscott at Easter. If school is re-opened before the end of the school year, Miss Gledhill and Mrs Downey will be teaching 4D until the end of the summer term. Both teachers are very experienced in Phase 2, having taught Years 3 and 4 for a number of years before their maternity leaves last year. Miss Gledhill will teach the class on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesday mornings; Mrs Downey will teach the class on Wednesday afternoons, Thursdays and Fridays.

I would like to thank Mrs Devine for all her hard work as class teacher over the last two terms and wish her every happiness for the future.

If you have any queries regarding any of the above, please do not hesitate in contacting me or Mrs Budden.

Yours sincerely

Alison Walklett

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