

# Bulletin

Monday 9th October 2023



Message from  
Head of School



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Welcome to our newsletter!

It has been a wonderful start to our Autumn Term with the children experiencing Welcome Week, the introduction of our new Spotlight assembly, new learning and our Superhero and Princess day! We had some wonderful costumes and it was lovely to talk to the children about their favourite characters. We have also welcomed some new families and children to our Short Heath family which is fantastic.

Our Head boys and girls have been working with Mr Darnley and me to interview some potential new members of staff and are enjoying our weekly meetings where we share hot chocolate and biscuits whilst discussing future events. We have ordered them a blazer so all of the children know who they are and can identify them if they want to speak to them with an idea.

We have a large number involved in many pupil groups and their roles will be developed as the term continues.

I have loved my first few weeks as Head of School – your children are fantastic and an absolute credit to you. Thank you!

Attendance <i>wb</i> 25.09.23	
Class	Percentage
RT	96%
RS	95%
1M	98%
1L	97%
2L	97%
2M	96%
3J	95%
3Q	93%
4H	96%
4D	94%
5R	93%
5A	96%
6G	97%
6D	89%
School	95%

**Target 97%**

## Pupil representatives

We now have pupil representatives for the following roles:

**Academy MPs, Wellbeing champions, Physical Health champions, 9 Habit champion and HiCS** (Horizon iPad creativity squad). We also have **mini SLT's** (senior leaders) I am delighted to inform you all that the following children were nominated:

Role	Academy MP	Wellbeing Champion	Physical Health Champion	9 Habits	HiCS	Head boys and girls
Year 2	Smeera Jason	Vivan Brianna	Elijah Lexi-Leigh	Shukri Muhammad- Abdullah	Safiyah Kareem	
Year 3	Qasim Josh	Felicity Eliza	Louie Abdul	Janelle Charlie	Louisa Nura	
Year 4	Frankie Nasim	Imaan Freya	Jerrell Riley	Victor Estera	Thierry Isabelle	
Year 5	Reecia Alfie	Nawal Dior	Chirag Jude	Eshal Nancy	Rehan Sebastian	
Year 6	Oscar Maya	Ellie Alarna-Rae	Kye Danielle	Mariam Alice-Bianca	Maxim Mariam	Idrees, April Indie, Aisha

## Key Dates

### Happy Hat Day

Tuesday 10th October

To take part all we ask is for children to come to school wearing their favourite or silliest

hat and make a small donation of £1 (50p if from a multiple household where more than 1 child attends an Oasis school .

### Parent's evening– settling in

Thursday 12th October. Booking to be made on School cloud. See class dojo for the letter and guide.

### Training Day– School Closed

Friday 13th October

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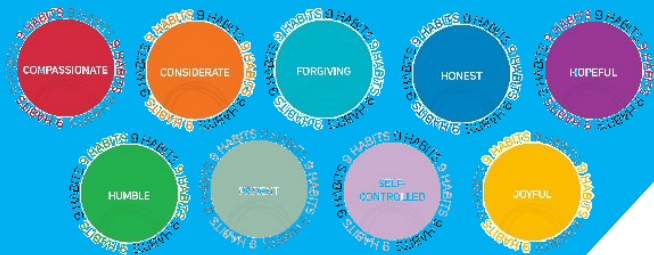


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## In the Spotlight

We have now launched a new assembly this year called 'In the Spotlight' which will be held every Thursday morning to celebrate individuals who have demonstrated the 9 Habits.

Every Friday, Mrs Darnbrough and I randomly select a child in each class (Year 1-6) who will be 'In the Spotlight' for the week. Their teacher and peers will capture ways in which the pupils have demonstrated the 9 Habits and will share these with everyone in the assembly. The children will also receive a special certificate. If your pupil is selected to be 'In the Spotlight', we will inform you of this and invite you to join the assembly on the following Thursday to celebrate your child's achievements with us. We have already celebrated many achievements and look forward to many more!



## Sporting Achievements

What a start to the year! From cross country, to football and rugby, we have started the year as we mean to go on. 2nd place finishes in both the football and rugby, with top 50 finishes in cross country. We love how much the children are invested in sports and we are looking forward to all the events going forward. Well done all!



On Thursday there is a parents evening from 3.30-6.30. If you haven't yet done so, please can you access <https://oasisshortheath.schoolcloud.co.uk/> so that an appointment can be made. If you are unable to make an appointment, please get in touch with your child's class teacher using class dojo and they will be able to book on your behalf.



## Attendance updates

A huge thank you to all those parents who bring their children to school on time. Lateness can impact learning considerably over the year and we want our children to have the best life chances possible by being in school learning.

Each term, all children who have attendance of 98% and above will receive a certificate and will be put into a prize draw where they will have the chance to win a range of prizes.

We have launched a new virtual race-track to show the attendance of each class each week in our assembly.



## Boom Reader

I am excited to tell you that our whole school is beginning to use an app called BoomReader. This app is a record of your child's reading that is done in school and at home.

You should have received your own log in to BoomReader. You can access BoomReader through an app or through a website.

Once you receive your log in, please register so that you can record the reading that you do with your child at home.

Every time your child has a reading session logged, they earn gems on the app which they can use to change their avatar or earn virtual trading cards.

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## Learning capture!

### **Mrs Tipper (Associate Senior Leader) Nursery, Reception and Y1**

Nursery, Reception and Year 1 all had a fantastic start to the term. Their behaviour for learning has been excellent. How our children have settled into school and shown the 9 Habits is incredible. Our EYFS children come in with big smiles, ready to learn, play and develop their skills across all areas of learning. EYFS children have all completed baseline assessments and have adjusted incredibly well to the balance of formal teacher and continuous provision. All our EYFS children have amazed their teachers with their creativity and love of learning new skills. Year 1 have amazed all the teachers with how well they have settled into using iPads to complete their work. All the children are working exceptionally hard to improve their presentation. We couldn't be prouder of how well they have settled into classroom learning! Well done, Nursery, Reception and Year 1, you are all assets to the school, and we can't wait to see you learn, grow and develop this academic year.



### **Ms Lloyd (Associate Senior Leader) Y2, 3 and 4**

Year 2, 3 and 4 have settled well into school – there has been a real buzz around the 'Who am I and Who am I becoming?' theme. The children have loved learning about the history and geography of our local area whilst comparing it to other countries Oasis are based in. Year 2 have learnt all about India and have even created a dance linked to Bollywood music, Year 3 have created some art influenced by Ugandan culture and Year 4 have been learning all about discrimination and its impact.

### **Mrs Roche (Associate Senior Leader) Y5 and 6**

Year 5 and Year 6 have had a great start back to the academic year. Both year groups have been introduced to the Global Goal focus for their year group during this term's theme and have been working hard to challenge themselves in all areas of the curriculum. Year 5 have begun to learn some fantastic songs in preparation for young Voices 2024 in January and they are very excited about performing at the World Resorts Arena next year. As the oldest children in our academy, Year 6 been fantastic role models- demonstrating the positive attributes of our 9 Habits around our academy. Both year groups represented our academy at a recent tag rugby event and came away with a medal. Keep up the excellent work Year 5 and Year 6- we are so proud of you all!

## A reminder...

We operate a strict "NO NUTS AND FISH IN SCHOOL" policy, due to the life threatening nature of allergies. Any nut or fish based food will be removed from lunch boxes and returned to parents at the end of the day. This includes prawn cocktail crisps and Nutella.

Over the last couple of weeks, there have been a number of difficulties with some of the items coming in children's packed lunches. There is an increasing issue with childhood obesity and tooth decay and, as an accredited Healthy School, we want to support parents as much as possible to make healthy choices for their children's meals. There is also a clear link between a high sugar intake and poor behaviour, which we seek to protect our children from.

Please note that children are only allowed to bring one treat per day into the Academy such as crisps, sweets or chocolate. No fizzy drinks are allowed in the academy.

## Parent's Evening

**Thursday 12th October 3.30-6.30**

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## Walking home

As we move into Autumn and the darker nights and mornings begin to arrive, we remind you that we must have written permission from you as parents or guardian if you wish for your child to walk home alone. This should only apply to Years 5 and 6 under exceptional circumstances.

## Medical appointments

Where you can, we ask that you try and avoid making medical appointments for your child during the school day. If your child has a hospital or specialist appointment please bring the letter to the school office where a copy can be placed on their file as proof of authorised absence. All collections during the school day are via the school office.