

Newsletter dated: 4th November 2016

OXFORD HOUSE SCHOOL

Dates for your diary:

- •10th November (Thursday) Guest Speaker Brigadier Colin Weir for Remembrance Day.
- •14th November (Monday PM) Flu Influenza Vaccinations.
- •15th November (Tuesday) Parents Evening 4:00-6:00pm.
- •15th November, Voice of the Parent Pulse Survey.
- •17th November (Thursday) Parents Evening 6:00-9:00pm.
- •18th November (Friday) Children in Need.
- 23th November (Wednesday), deadline for Shoeboxes (Leaflet attached).
- •2nd December (Friday) FVI Visit Braintree Museum
- •5th 8th December Nursery & Reception Nativity. Information to follow
- •8th December (Thursday) Christmas Lunch.
- •9th December (Friday) Lion Walk Carol Service Rehearsal.
- 1 lth December (Sunday)
 Carol Service at Lion Walk
 Church at 2.00pm.
- •12th December (Monday)
 Christmas Parties.
- •13th December (Tuesday) TERM ENDS AT NOON.



Before half term we sent out a survey regarding the demand for a bike rack to enable pupils to cycle to school. The feedback has been varied and consequently we are researching into providing a small bike rack to accommodate the small demand. More information will follow in due course.

FOOD FORUM

The Food Forum on Thursday was a success and supported by many parents. This was a wonderful opportunity for you to discuss any concerns, sample meals, offer ideas and recommendations with our catering team, Thomas Franks. We were also requesting feedback regarding the introduction of fish onto the menu. If you were unable to attend this event please complete the attached survey from Thomas Franks.





Our Daily Breakfast Club charge is increasing from £2.00 to £3.00 from 1st January 2017.

Please find attached the calendar term dates from September 2017 - July 2018. A gentle reminder we do not encourage holidays to be taken during term time, if there is a genuine need you are required to seek permission from the Headteacher before booking holidays etc. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.





Parents Evening will take place over the two days to accommodate all working hours. Tuesday 15th November between 4:00-6:00 pm and Thursday 17th November between 6:00-9:00pm. Please liaise with your child's teacher to arrange a ten minute appointment. Alternatively staff can be seen before and after school if this is more accommodating.

SAMARITANS PURSE APPEAL

Once again Oxford House School will be supporting the Shoebox Appeal. Please see the leaflet which your child received today. The Appeal aims to provide a gift for those children at Christmas who may not otherwise receive one. It is entirely optional whether or not you choose to take part. If you do decide to, information on how to pack your shoebox and gift suggestions are available on the leaflet. Please bring your shoebox to school on or before Wednesday **23rd November**.



We are offering once again the opportunity for all pupils from Reception upwards to be vaccinated against Flu. This involves a spray rather than an injection and will take place on site during the afternoon of 14th November. Please complete the forms and return to Mrs Weir if you would like your son/daughter to be vaccinated. More information can be obtained on the official website:

FLU VACCINE

www.nhs.uk/child-flu

CHILDREN IN NEED APPEAL 2016



We shall be supporting Children in Need once more this year on Friday 18th November. Pupils are given the opportunity to come to school wearing non-uniform and to make a minimum £1 donation to the charity. A spotty theme is prominent this year!

Next Thursday 10th November we will be practising our Lock Down procedure. This is a mandatory requirement in schools, for implementation in the unlikely event of a major incident. All classes and staff will be involved on the day.

We have implemented a 'Worry Box' for pupils to use if they are worried or concerned about an issue and would rather not speak to anyone directly. This can be located next to Form 11.





