



Newsletter dated : 17th March 2017



OXFORD HOUSE SCHOOL



Dates for your diary:

- 23rd March (Thursday) Second Hand Uniform Sale in School Hall. 3 - 4pm.
- 24th March (Friday) Mothers Day Tea and Cake. Session timings as per invitations.
- 29th March (Wednesday) Easter Bonnet Parade. Please see information attached.
- 29th March (Wednesday) Term Ends at NOON
- 25th April (Tuesday) Summer Term commences.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Leyshon on the birth of their daughter. Aurora Leyshon arrived safe and well on 16th March 2017, at 11.05am, weighing 5lb 8oz!



Mothers Day Tea and Cake

Thanks to those who have responded so far, it looks set to be a lovely morning. Please can all replies be brought back ASAP. Apologies to Form III and Form IV Mums, their children are taking part in school trips on that day, for this reason Mums from these classes have not been invited this time - we will look to ensure this does not clash with planned trips next year.



Thank you to all those parents who attended our open evening. We had some very positive feedback, and it was wonderful to see so many of our existing parents and welcome some new parents too. Form VI did an excellent job of hosting, and were praised for their efforts and enthusiasm - well done!



Last week Julia Hayes (Thomas Franks **nutritionist**) visited school. Julia hosted assemblies for all year groups and discussed what constituted a healthy diet. The children thoroughly enjoyed her visit, these assemblies raised much discussion and the children asked some very interesting questions. I think we all learned something and it gave everyone 'food for thought!'.

Today 17th March is St. Patrick's Day. **St. Patrick** is the Patron Saint of Ireland. He is celebrated as being responsible for bringing Christianity to Ireland in the 5th century. It is believed today marks the date of his death. To mark the occasion, NII children made traditional soda bread and shamrock decorations.



readathon



Congratulations Boys and Girls!
Due to your efforts Oxford House School raised an amazing £1522.13 for this wonderful charity.





Please can we remind you of the importance of **labeling** all items of uniform, school bags and sports bags. With all our pupils wearing the same uniform, if items are misplaced it can be difficult and time consuming identifying the owner.



Oxford House School is committed to promoting the safe and responsible use of the internet and as such we feel it is our responsibility to raise this particular issue as a growing concern, due to the increase in inappropriate use of Social Media sites. Form III and IV Parents were invited to take part in an internet safety presentation. Thank you to those who were able to attend. The following websites offer useful help and advice for safer use of the internet: www.connectsafely.org <http://www.allsafesites.com> www.common sense media.org www.trendmicro.com/go/safety



May we remind all parents to please adhere to the parking regulations outside of school. These are in place to keep our children safe as they arrive and leave school each day. Illegal parking encroaches on everyone's safety.

On Wednesday 29th March we will host our annual **Easter Bonnet Parade**. Each child is welcome to bring their home made Easter Bonnet to school that morning. We have had some wonderful creations in the past. There will be prizes for the most creative girl and boy's bonnet. There will also be a small treat for everyone who brings their bonnet and takes part in the parade. We look forward to sharing some photographs of the children in the next newsletter.



Forms IV and V can purchase blue Berol pens for just £1 from the reception desk. These will be the ONLY pens the children can use at school. If they already have these pens they may bring them in to school.



Learn Mandarin Chinese

We are delighted to offer Mandarin Chinese classes as an after school club. These classes will take place on a Tuesday from 4 - 5pm, providing there is sufficient interest. They will cost less than £10 per session:

- At Mandarin Chinese Club you can:**
- Learn to speak Mandarin
 - Learn about Chinese culture
 - Gain a recognised Mandarin Chinese qualification

Please register any interest with Mrs Weir at reception by Tuesday 21st March.

Get ahead - learn another language



Dear Parents,

If you have an appointment with a member of staff, please arrive to school at the arranged time. Unfortunately we do not have a designated waiting area, should you arrive early.

Many thanks,

The Teaching Staff.

