Dates for your diary:

22nd September
11+ Examination

26th September
Meet the teacher
2.30pm Reception
3.15-3.30pm FIV
3.45pm FV+FVI

28th September
Meet the teacher
3.15-3.30pm FIII

5th October
World Space Day

15th-26th October
Half term

After school clubs have started and being enjoyed by all. Children will continue to go to the clubs after the half term break. Wednesday clubs will change to Christmas Activities!

Mrs Smith is starting a new Choir Club on Friday mornings at 8.30am. A letter will be sent out confirming the details.

As part of World Space Week, we will be holding a 'World Space Day' on 5th October. This will be a non-uniform day and children will be permitted to come to school dressed in a space themed outfit.

The first School Council Meeting took place today. This gave the ‘voice of the student’ an opportunity to discuss: break times, menus, charities, ambassadors and their role as School Council. They also discussed safeguarding and the safeguarding team. Miss Ardley is now the school’s Designated Safeguarding Lead.
Gentle reminders:

If your child attends an after school club, please can you collect your child promptly when the after school club finishes. Thank you

In the interest of safeguarding our children, parents/carers are not permitted to go in to the children's toilets. If you need to assist your child, please use the toilet in the lobby near the entrance. Thank you

Oxford House School's Attendance Policy states:

“Schools, not parents, authorise absence. Requests to the school for granting permission for leave of absence to a pupil during term time must be made in writing in advance directly to the Head. The Head is only able to authorise leave of absence where exceptional circumstances relate to the application. Authorised leave is unlikely to be granted for the purpose of a family holiday”.

School Policies are available on the website.

Fillpots Sunflower Competition

We’re delighted to announce that we came second in Fillpots’ annual ‘Tallest Sunflower’ competition - a fabulous result, especially with the added complications of the hottest summer for years!

84 Primary schools across North Essex were sent a pack, with seeds and instructions grow fabulous sunflowers. Our budding gardeners were awarded second place with a sunflower that was 208cm tall, earning the school a £40 voucher to spend in the Garden Centre. They wisely spent the voucher on a selection of herbs, some potting compost and some tulip, daffodil, crocus and snowdrop bulbs to be planted during Wednesday after school club.