



# NEWSLETTER

Our Value for this half term is



Friday 28th March 2025

Welcome

This week has seen our Year 6 children and staff embracing the challenge and fun of their residential adventure to Robin Wood. They had an amazing time conquering fears and building their teamwork skills. Well done to everyone and a huge thank you to the staff who gave up their own time to accompany the children on this adventure.

We have had the pleasure of a visit from our OPAL mentor this week, who was so impressed with how our OPAL offer is developing at Webheath. What a joy to be part of such an inspiring programme! We have some exciting events to look forward to in the Summer term as OPAL continues to grow at Webheath.

It has been lovely to see Year 1 and Reception parents in school over the past week or so spending time with the children. Thank you to everyone for getting involved. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on **Monday (31st March) for our open classrooms** event straight after school. A reminder of the details is included later in this newsletter.

Please also take note of the **Parent Showbie log in** information and the updated information regarding **next Friday's Dare to be Different Day**.



## Values—Respect

It's fantastic to see how much respect the children have gained for one another and the outdoor equipment during OPAL play. Their teamwork in both playing together and tidying up at the end of the sessions carries over into their daily learning throughout the school.

Here is a reminder of our respect value story:

Respect at Webheath is at our heart, demonstrated in every act of every day through our careful actions. From the listening ear, to the care of our environment that we all cherish; small actions make the difference here at Webheath. All our community have strengths they bring to the collective team that are recognised and admired. Out of the respect for each other, we respond, coach, support, challenge and drive forward to enable the team.



# Attendance

Our whole school attendance this week is 96.7%.  
Some amazing attendance figures for classes this week, hot competition for the cup!

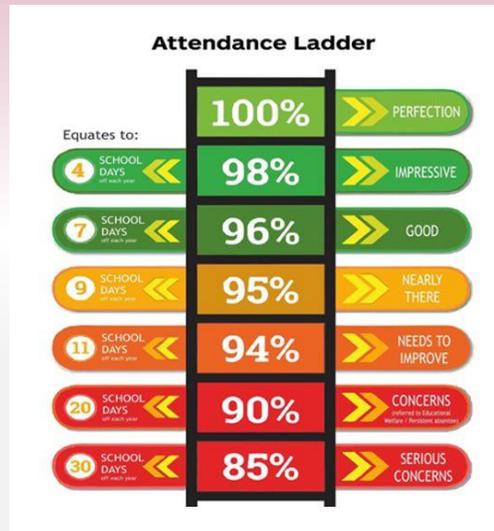
Congratulations to the Attendance Cup winners:

3KG and 6EW with 100% - WOW! 🤔🏆

Silver: 1ZP with 99.6% - 1 mark missing

Bronze: 2JRKE and 5SS with 99.2% - 2 marks missing

Well done everyone!



# Save the date!



Monday 31st March – Open classroom Year R – Year 6 – 3:30-4:30pm

Wednesday 2nd April – MAT Showcase Artrix Theatre

Thursday 3rd April – Rocksteady concert 10:30am

Thursday 3rd April – Nursery Easter Family Event (Info on an email dated 19/03/25)

Friday 4th April – Dare to be different day – Chocolate donations

Monday 7th April – Online parents evening 4-7pm

Tuesday 8th April – Year 5 Tudor World trip

Wednesday 9th April – Online parents evening 4-7pm

Wednesday 9th April – Friends Chocolate Tombola after School 3.15pm

Wednesday 9th April – Class photographs and Year 6 leavers

Thursday 10th April – Year 4 Alexandra Theatre Visit – Horrible Histories

Friday 11th April – Respect value day and ambassador assembly

Friday 11th April – End of spring term 2

Monday 14th April – Friday 25th April – Easter Holidays

Monday 28th April – School opens for start of Summer term



# Opal

OPAL's vision is that every child, in every school, has an amazing hour of high-quality play every day – with no exceptions. If one child is not enjoying playtimes, then things still need improving.

WOW!! What a week we have had for OPAL this week. We were finally able to open our brand-new sandpit up, to our very excited pupils on Monday. It is safe to say it has been a huge hit and it really has been wonderful seeing the children enjoying this so much. A huge thank you to our fantastic maintenance man Gary for all his hard work to get this finished for us so quickly!

Following the opening of our sandpit, we were then able to introduce our new chill out zone for the children. The chill out zone has been spruced up with cosy beanbags and a lovely outdoor mat. Here the children can read, chat quietly with friends or just chill out, again this has been a huge hit with students in all the year groups.

In small world, we have brand new boxes to store our toys in, which will help the children with the tidy up process, at the end of each OPAL lunchtime.

We must say a massive thank you to our 'Friends' association, who have made all these wonderful additions to our play offer possible. They kindly paid for the sand, lining and cover for our sandpit. Furthermore, they covered the cost for all our beanbags and new outdoor mats. Aswell as paying for all the boxes in our small world area. They work extremely hard, benefitting all the children in school and are always looking for new members to join their team. Please contact the office if being part of this fantastic team is something you'd like to do.

## Donations:

We are always looking out for new resources to keep the children excited and engaged in play. This week we are in need of the following items:

- Old shirts and t-shirts for arts and crafts
- Large loose parts (piping, cable reels, planks of wood etc)
- Wet weather clothes, such as waterproof trousers or rainsuits



## Year 6 Residential Trip

Year 6 have had a wonderful time on their residential this week. We had lots of sunshine, smiles and laughs whilst children worked on developing their teamwork, problem solving and communication skills.

The children were keen to share their views with many agreeing that 'This is the best place ever!' 'This is so fun!' 'The food is amazing!' With all of these views being supported by the staff who accompanied the children on this visit- a special thanks to Mr Mellor, Miss Clifton, Mrs Allen and Mrs White and Mrs Waite.

## Open Classrooms

A final reminder about our open classroom event for **Reception to Year 6** parents after school on Monday 31st March. Please collect your children as usual and wait for the teachers to invite you back into the classrooms via the children's entrances. Year 1 parents, please collect your children then proceed down the service road to enter school via the Early Years (Nursery and Reception) gate.

Classrooms will be open until 4.30pm.

Please exit school after your visit via the main school reception or the service road gate by Early Years.



## Showbie Parent Invitations in Book Bags today!

We have been working hard behind the scenes to find ways to better share the children's learning and progress with parents. We are excited to invite parents to join Showbie, our online learning journey! Parent login instructions and details are being sent home in children's bookbags today; the codes are unique to each child. This platform provides a wonderful opportunity to stay connected with your child's progress and achievements. Once logged in, you will notice a 'My Proud Moments' folder which contains some key pieces of work the children and teachers have chosen together to demonstrate learning from this term. This, alongside visiting our open classrooms, will help to give you more information about your child's progress prior to parents evening discussions in the final week of term.

If you have any difficulties logging in to Showbie as a parent, please contact your child's class teacher who will be happy to help.



## Year 1 Reading Café

It was lovely to see so many Year 1 family members join our Reading café to build on and share a love of reading with the children. There was a real buzz in the room; it was lovely to share what reading looks like in Year 1 and to chat with parents about their child's reading. It certainly demonstrated Year 1 love a book!



## Y4 Ogden Trust Science

A small group of year 4 children represented Webheath on a visit to another Primary school for a day exploring everything linked to Sound. Lots of fun was had, and lots of hands on experiences.



## British Science Week

Across school we explored this years theme of 'Adapt and Change' from exploring the frogs in the pond, to looking at changing environments with a small line to Minecraft. The children also enjoyed carrying out the challenge I set which was which is the best biscuit to dunk in a cup of tea. I'm still awaiting results but there was lots of excitement and a buzz around biscuits this week.



## Lost property

We have a number of unnamed items in the office, can you spot if anything is yours?



## Parents Evening booking Deadline

The deadline to book your children's parents evening is 31st March at 9am.

## FRIENDS DARE TO BE DIFFERENT DAY

Friday 4th April

The Friends Association are excited to remind you about our upcoming Dare to be Different Day! This special event is all about celebrating individuality and encouraging everyone in our school community to wear whatever they feel most comfortable in, whether it's your school uniform or not! Whether it's bright colours, comfy clothes, or something a bit different - we welcome it all as we embrace and celebrate our unique differences.

In return, we kindly ask for a donation of chocolate for the Friends Association Chocolate Tombola, which will be held the following week. Please bring your chocolate donations to the collection points at each of the school gates during drop-off on Friday 4th April.

This event also coincides with Autism Acceptance Week, and we're proud to share that some of the funds raised from the tombola will go towards purchasing sensory resources that help spark curiosity and encourage exploration for all our children.

Thank you for your support - we can't wait to see everyone expressing their unique selves!

## Community News

### Parking

Please do not block driveways when dropping children at school. Particularly the houses opposite School from which we have recently received multiple complaints.

With two schools on the same road, we are aware of the challenge, but please be respectful of our local residents who may need to get off their driveways while your parked up.

Enjoy a restful weekend everyone!