

## OLDFLEET PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

As the school year draws to an end, there are some staff changes that I would like to make you aware of.

Mrs White has decided to explore other avenues of work which will allow her to spend more quality time with her family. She has thoroughly enjoyed working with the wonderful children that we have at Oldfleet Primary school for the last two years. We all wish Mrs White well and thank her for all of her hard work at Oldfleet Primary School.

We are also saying goodbye to Mrs Libera who has been at Oldfleet for nine years. Mrs Libera will be missed by the staff and the children. We wish Mrs Libera well as she continues to teach and take care of her young family too. Miss Percy is also going to be leaving us on Friday and is going to be starting a new role at another primary school on the other side of the city. We wish Miss Percy the best of luck as she continues to support children with their learning.

In September we will have an Interim Headteacher at Oldfleet. I am delighted to share the news that we have appointed Mrs Mounsor to this role. She will be well supported by Mrs Seddon. Miss Garner and Mrs Welburn Tallis will also be Assistant Headteachers and will join the school leadership team next year.

I will be continuing to work closely with Mrs Mounsor and her leadership team next year as the Trust School Development Lead. I am excited about the further development work we have planned for Oldfleet to ensure that we give your children the best possible learning opportunities.

We are all hoping that the summer sunshine is going to arrive for us when we all break for the summer holidays on Friday. We have a final celebration for the Y6 children with all children clapping as they leave the building through the King Charles Coronation Garden at 2.45pm. Year 6 parents please join us at these gates if you are able to and be ready to collect your children at this time.

We will be welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 3rd September at 8:45am. It is really important next year that we improve attendance at our school, breakfast club will be open as usual from 7:45am. Please make sure that you read the attendance section carefully as there are some important changes which will be implemented nationally including increases to fines for term time holiday and fines for parents whose children fall below attendance expectations. Please remember that we will always support first at Oldfleet.

We hope that you have a very happy summer holiday with your children

Mrs Julia Mitchell Executive Headteacher

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#### **Moments Matter - Attendance Counts**

Attendance has been a big priority at Oldfleet this year and will remain so next academic year!

Every moment in school counts and days missed add up quickly. Evidence shows that pupils who have good attendance enjoy better well-being and school performance. We want to make all our parents aware of the Department for Education (DfE) new attendance legislation that will come into effect from August 2024 regarding term time holidays and unauthorised absences in school. The fine for term-time holidays will be issued per parent, per child of £80 (if paid within 21 days) or £160 (if paid within 28 days) If a parent receives a second fine for the same child within any three-year period, this will be charged at the higher rate of £160. If a parent receives two fines in a 3 year period, prosecution will be considered, resulting in a fine of up to £2,500. If your child's attendance is below 90% and they are absent from school for five days or more then prosecution will be as above.

If any of our parents/carers feel that they need support with their child's school attendance then please speak with Mrs Seddon or Mrs Leonard and they will support you.

### **Nature Park Grant**

Gardening has been busily happening over the summer term. The gardening gang have enjoyed planting seeds, growing vegetables, making birdhouses and keeping on top of watering.

The children are eagerly awaiting the growth of their Christmas dinner vegetables of peas, broccoli, parsnips, carrots and turnips. The creation of painted birdhouses was another great project, we looking forward to seeing which birds nest in them.

The new members are excited to start their gardening adventure,



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It's hard to believe that your time at Oldfleet is already coming to an end. It feels like just yesterday you were little faces in Foundation, and now you're about to embark on the exciting adventure of high school.

We've had the pleasure of watching you all grow and learn throughout the years. You've tackled challenging projects, made amazing friendships, and filled the classroom with laughter (and maybe a few silly moments too!).

Secondary school may seem a little daunting at first, but remember, you are all capable of achieving great things. Embrace the new challenges, make the most of every opportunity, and never stop learning. Don't be afraid to step outside your comfort zone and discover what you're truly passionate about.

Most importantly, never forget the friendships you've made here. Keep in touch with your classmates, share your successes, and support each other through life's ups and downs.

We, the teachers and staff at Oldfleet, are incredibly proud of each and every one of you. We'll miss having you around, but we can't wait to see all the amazing things you accomplish in the future.

Good luck, Year 6! Go shine bright!

Don't be strangers! Come back and visit us whenever you get the chance.

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# School Uniform

Wearing the correct uniform helps to create a positive and focused learning environment, promotes a sense of belonging.

**Uniform Details** White, or blue polo shirt Black or grey - trousers, shorts, pinafore or skirt royal blue - sweatshirt, cardigan or fleece. Blue gingham dress

**PE kit** Black shorts, white t shirt

**Jewellery and Accessories** One pair of studs to be taken out for PE

**Uniform Suppliers** Branded Oldfleet uniform can be bought at Rawcliffes in the city centre.



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# **Term Dates**

#### Autumn 2024

School opens - Tuesday 3rd September 2024 School closes - Friday 25th October 2024

#### Half term holiday

School opens - Monday 4th November 2024 Christmas holiday

School closes - Friday 20th December 2024

### Spring 2025

School opens - Tuesday 7th January 2025 School closes - Friday 14th February 2025

#### Half term holiday

School opens - Monday 24th February 2025 School closed - Staff training day - Monday in March (TBC) Easter Holiday

School closes - Friday 4th April 2025

#### **Summer 2025**

School opens - Wednesday 23rd April 2025 School closes - Friday 23th May 2025 Half term holiday

School opens - Monday 2nd June 2025 Summer holiday

School closes - Friday 18th July 2025

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