



Message from Mrs Moore

As we approach the end of the first half term, I would thank all our parents and carers for their support with the transition back into school and to all the teaching and support staff who have worked with our pupils to ensure they feel safe and happy at school.

To comply with the Track and Trace requirements, parents and carers are required to notify the school, via email office@ormistonmeadows.co.uk, of any suspected or confirmed cases of Covid 19 during half term week.

Finally, I hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable half term break. I look forward to welcoming you all back on Monday 2nd November.

Term Dates and Events

Due to the current restrictions, we have had to revise the events we had planned for the new half term. We still look forward to welcoming parents to events virtually whenever possible.

Date	Event	Group
Monday 2 nd November	School Open	All pupils
Thursday 5 th November	Bonfire Lunch	All pupils
Week commencing 16 th November	Anti-Bullying Week	All pupils
Thursday 26 th November	Flu vaccinations	Pupils who have pre- booked
Friday 11 th December	Christmas Lunch	All pupils
Monday 14 th December	Christmas Jumper Day	All pupils
Monday 14 th December	M&M Theatre Company	All Pupils
Wednesday 16 th December	Christingle	Reception pupils and parents
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term	All pupils

Further details for the events listed above will be shared at the start of November.

Flu Vaccinations

The school nurse team will visit school on Thursday 26th November to administer the flu vaccination to any pupils who have pre-booked.

The closing date to book your vaccination was 30th September. If you have missed the cut off date, you will now need to contact your GP to take up the offer of a free flu vaccination for your child

ICT survey

In the event of a bubble having to close or individual pupils needing to self-isolate, teaching will move online.

We have recently issued an ICT questionnaire to ascertain pupils access to ICT equipment at home.

Can you please complete and return the survey at your earliest convenience. A separate reply is required for each child attending our school.

PTA

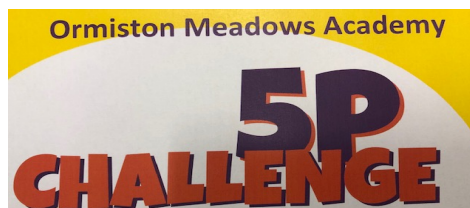
We haven't forgotten about the fantastic response we had earlier this year when parents got together with a view to setting up an Ormiston Meadows PTA. The inaugural meeting took place in March – only for things to be put on hold due to the coronavirus pandemic. We're hoping that you're all still as keen as before to support OMA by raising funds for those 'little extras' that enhance your children's learning experience. When the time is right, we look forward to working alongside parents in what we hope will become a thriving PTA community.

In the meantime, until we are all able to meet again, we would like your support in some fundraising activities that we are organising for the next half term – details of our first venture are below:

Our '5p Challenge'

Are you ready for a challenge? We're hoping to change spare 5p coins into an end of term treat for our pupils – and we need your help! After half term we're laying down the gauntlet and issuing a challenge - each class has an empty bottle just waiting to be filled with 5p coins. A two-litre bottle can hold over £100 in 5p coins so please start collecting your small change now - half term might be the ideal opportunity to look deep into the corners of your purse/wallet and down the back of your settee and see if you can find some long forgotten coins! Fundraising starts on Monday 2nd November and will finish just before we break up for Christmas (yes, only 8 weeks to go until Christmas!). Please send any coins in with your children and fingers crossed we can fill those bottles.

Keep your eyes and ears for some other fundraising ideas for next term



Bonfire Lunch

We have a special lunch menu for Bonfire Night on Thursday
5th November



Sizzling Hot Dog or Quorn Dog

Chips

Baked Beans or Sweetcorn

Donut



All pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals provided free of charge. Other pupils will be charged £2.30 unless they qualify for income based Free School Meals.



We have a new lunch menus starting from week commencing 2nd November.

Please visit the school [website](#) for full details of the new menus.