

**Ombersley Endowed First School and Nursery**  
**E-Newsletter Issue 1**  
**07 September 2018**

**Diary Dates**

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	SEN Coffee Morning 8.45-9.45am @ Treehouse Friends Welcome Event For New Parents 2pm
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Friends AGM @7pm @ School
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Y2 Hartlebury Museum Trip
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon @ 2.30pm
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	Y1 National Space Centre Trip

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**Notices**

**Welcome Back**

Welcome back. I hope that you all enjoyed the summer break and it's wonderful to see everyone back in school. A special welcome to all our new children who have joined our school in Reception Class and the Nursery.

Newsletters are always sent out on Fridays, during the year, which will be numbered so that you can check that you receive them all. They are sent electronically, but if you do not have the internet, please contact the office and we will hand out a hard copy. A copy is always on the notice board by the school office. We look forward to working in partnership with you and your child during what we hope will be another successful and happy school year.

**Social Media**

Exciting news...we are now on Twitter! Please follow us @OmbersleySchool. Please follow our school Facebook page too to see all the exciting events and activities that are happening in school.

**SEN Coffee Morning Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

The first informal coffee morning of the new academic year for parents of children with additional needs will be on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018 from 8.45am-9.45am 2018 in the Tree House. Further details have been sent home in book bags. Please do come along.

**Year 2 Hartlebury Museum Trip Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Year 2 are going on a trip to Hartlebury Museum on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018. A letter with further details has been sent home in book bags. Please could you return the consent form and payment (£6.00) by no later than Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Thank you.

**MacMillan Coffee Morning Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

We will be having our MacMillan coffee morning (in the afternoon!!) in the school hall on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018 from 2.30pm. This is a great way for our families to get to know each other and raise money for a worthwhile cause.

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**Year 1 National Space Centre Trip Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Year 1 are going on a trip to The National Space Centre on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018. A letter with further details has been sent home in book bags last term. Please could you return the consent form and payment (£17.50) by no later than Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Thank you.

**Payments**

Please note that we can no longer receive cheques as payment for trips/afterschool clubs and any other payments that are requested by the school. From now on, the school will only accept cash or payment via the School Money website, which will be kept up-to-date with all the activities that are going on in school.

**NUT ALLERGY**

We have a small number of children in school who have a serious allergy to nuts. Would you please ensure that your child's lunch box, any treats that you send to school for the children to share and any resources e.g. cereal boxes for modelling, do NOT contain any nuts or nut based products.

**Dogs**

If you bring a dog to school in the morning/evening could we please request that you stand to one side away from other parents/children/other dogs. Some of our children are very scared of dogs (even friendly ones) and some of our staff are allergic to them. Dogs are not allowed on school premises so please could you stand outside the gate with them. We appreciate your help in this matter.

**Reminders**

Library books and wellies need to be brought into school for Fridays, as this is our library day and also, weather permitting, our 'Wellie Friday'. All children should have a water bottle available in the classroom. It is important that they need a drink to help them think, and we encourage the children to take regular drinks. Water bottles are for sale at a cost of £1.50 from the school office.

**Contact Details**

Please could you ensure that school has up to date and correct contact details for all emergency contacts. It has come to our attention that some parents have changed their address and have not yet informed the school, or have new mobile phones and have not updated numbers. Thank you.

**Weekly Thrive**



Welcome back! After a really fun and hard working week I'm sure that you are all, children and carers, exhausted! Why not **take time** to **cuddle up together** to **share** a story?

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### **Stop and Drop**

If you wish to drop your child off in a morning, **you must only do so after 8.35am**. No child should be left before this time, as the gates are not open and staff are not on duty until this time and the volunteers are not responsible for the children left. Please enter the layby from the front area and drive alongside the kerb in the drop off zone, where a volunteer will escort your child from the car to the playground. **Your child must be ready with bags and coats for a quick exit. DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CHILD BEFORE 8.35am. Within this area parents are requested not to get out of their cars, as this will have a knock on effect on the flow of traffic from the main road.**

If you are a parent in Reception Class or you wish to come into the playground can you please park on either side of the layby leaving the centre clear so parents dropping off can exit. If the layby is full there is also parking under the bridge and in the village.

Also to ensure that the scheme runs smoothly, if your child is brought to school by another relative or childminder/childcare provider, can you please explain the scheme to them. Thank you.

### **Friends update**

Welcome back! We're looking forward to continuing to fundraise for the School this year through a wide variety of events to enhance the learning experiences of all our children. We hope you can attend the following:

- Welcome for all new parents to the School - next Friday 14th September at 2pm. Whether you've recently joined Reception, Nursery or other year groups across the school, please join us for tea & cake next Friday afternoon, we'd love to meet you.
- The first Friends Meeting & AGM will be held on Wednesday 19th September @ 7pm in School. We really hope that you can attend and look forward to seeing you there.

### **100 Club**

It's renewals time for the 100 Club plus an opportunity to join! Only £12 per number for the year (October - September) with lots of opportunities to win cash through the year. Look out for more information coming out in book bags next week.

### **Ombersley village play area update**

We have exciting news! Over the summer, we received generous grants of £5,000 from Fortis and £6,000 from Ombersley Conservation Trust which tops up our funds to £16,000. So we are implementing Phase 1 of our plan very soon!! Watch out for new play equipment coming to the village play area at the end of September, including a new climbing frame, springy and basket swing! Thanks very much to everyone at Ombersley School for your support so far. We're pressing on now to raise funds for Phase 2 of our scheme which we hope will include a roundabout, a timber trail and imaginative play equipment. Please support our next events: contact [susannah\\_perkins@hotmail.com](mailto:susannah_perkins@hotmail.com) or via our Facebook group: Ombersley Play Area Action Group for further information.

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- **Sponsored Run:** Sunday 23rd September, 9am at Hanbury Hall. 10k, 6.6k or 3.3k options (1, 2 or 3 laps) - something for all the family, with match-funding promised for sponsorship raised!
- **Promises Auction:** we are busy gathering promises for our silent auction in October. Alongside businesses, we're asking everybody to pledge something for our auction, from dog walking, to car washes, to ironing, sewing, anything at all! Please get in touch by the end of September if you can offer something.
- **Murder Mystery** evening: Saturday 1st December, 7.30pm. Starring 10 local parishioners, an investigation into serious misdemeanours at Ombersley village fete. £12 per ticket, includes hot supper. Tickets are on sale and selling fast, request yours quick.

### **School Admissions/Transfer To Middle School**

If you have a child that was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014 or you are a parent of a child currently in Year 4 who is due to start Middle School in September 2018 or you have a child in Nursery who is due to start in Reception Class in September you need to apply online for a place by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. Please visit [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions) to apply and for further information.

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### **Congratulations to:**

Sam	Harriet
Zac	Joseph
Ethan	Pippa
All Of Year 1	
Finnley	Freya
All Of Nursery	

**For their Merit Certificate**