



As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first week of school has been a huge success. The children have enjoyed their learning, behaviour is excellent and we have had good attendance!

Next week you will have the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher. This will be an informal drop-in session where you can come and see your child's classroom environment and talk to the teacher to introduce yourselves. You will also be able to take away a copy of the curriculum newsletter and homework documents and other information relevant to your child's year group. Please do attend if you are able to.

Volunteers needed for Trips

If you are interested in helping out with school trips, please go to the office at either the UTC or Cazenove Road. You will need a DBS certificate and will have a short interview with a member of SLT.

Please be aware that if you want to volunteer for a school trip, you will not be able to bring any small children with you on that day as you will be in charge of looking after a group of children.

Diary Dates

- Monday 9th—meet your teacher
UTC
- Tuesday 10th—meet your teacher
Cazenove
- Friday 13th – Roald Dahl Day
- Monday 16th – National TA Day
- Monday 16th—coffee morning for
new Reception parents
- Thursday 19th—coffee morning
for new Reception parents
- Monday 23rd—coffee morning for
new Reception parents
- Friday 27th Macmillan Coffee
Morning
- 1st October—Year 6 trip to Harry
Potter World
- 2nd October – International Day
of older persons

Perfect Attendance!

Last year we achieved 97% attendance overall at school. This year we would like to achieve Star Academies' target of 98% attendance. Please bring your child to school every day.

Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned



This year we will be working towards the Leading Parent Partnership Award where the school will work closely with parents and the community to raise standards in all aspects of the school.

At Olive, we want the very best for our pupils, regardless of their background and ability. Effective and positive parent partnerships can have very real and lasting impacts on improvements in pupil behaviour, attendance and achievement. Research makes it clear that effective partnership with parents has a major impact on the learning of children and young people.

We will be sending out a questionnaire to parents to get your feedback on aspects of the school and look forward to your contribution!

Celebration Assemblies



This year we will be inviting parents to attend the weekly celebration assemblies. If your child is going to receive a Best Conduct or Star of the Week certificate, you will be informed of this a few days before and invited to attend the assembly. We would like you to keep this as a surprise for the children so that they are excited and feel proud of their achievements on the day. I look forward to seeing you at the assemblies.

Celebration Assemblies take place on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the UTC and Fridays at Cazenove. We will let you know which day to attend.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is available to children from Reception to Year 6 at both Cazenove Road and the UTC. Due to the growing demand for this service we have set criteria in place in order to keep the numbers within a reasonable health and safety standard.

Breakfast Club starts at 7.30am, with breakfast served from 7.40am. Please ensure your child arrives before 7.50am in order for them to eat their breakfast before lessons begin.

If your child fails to attend breakfast club regularly, their place will be taken away and given to the next person on the waiting list.

Packed Lunches

Well done to all the parents and children this week—I have seen such healthy lunches! Please continue with this—we are trying to achieve the Healthy School's Award this year!

Please remember that we are a nut free school—we have several children who are highly allergic to nuts and may have a severe reaction.

Please use these links to help you with ideas for a healthy lunch:

<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes#4qWEXRPPUE4hRhPb.97>

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/12418/lunchbox-snacks>

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/eat-well/how-does-sugar-in-our-diet-affect-our-health/>

<https://www.bhf.org.uk/information-support/support/healthy-living/healthy-eating/food-labelling>

We Did It!



We are delighted to announce that we, Olive Hackney, have achieved the School Games Silver Mark Award for the 2018/19 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:
Competitions

A wide variety of sporting events - bikeability, swimming gala, athletics, football, cricket, table tennis, forest school to name a few!

With a total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to:

Mr Junaid Ibrahim for entering the Olive School for this award and his commitment to sports within the school.

We look forward to applying once again in 2020!

