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Hadith of the Week

The Prophet Muhammed ﷺ said:

"The relationship of the believer with another believer is like (the bricks of) a building, each strengthens the other."

(Source: Bukhari & Muslim)

Teaching of the week: Everyone is important, and our unique skills and circumstances define our paths in our lives, but it is the bond between those that believe in the goodness and nobility of humans that create solidarity, a solidarity that focuses on similarities rather than highlighting our differences. Islam encourages solidarity and teamwork, and this entails building on each other's strengths.

Attendance

The overall attendance is **93.8%**

Year Group	% Present
Reception	92%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	97%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	99%
Overall	96%

There have been several letters sent out to parents/carers recently who have children with low/poor attendance. Just to give you an idea about the importance of attendance please look at the table below which shows how attendance percentage equates to time/days missed from school.

Attendance	Missed Days
100%	0
98%	Less than 4 days / 8 sessions
97%	Less than 6 days / 11 sessions (school target)
95%	9½ days / 19 sessions
90%	19 days / 38 sessions
85%	28 ½ days / 59 sessions
80%	38 days / 76 sessions

KS1 SATS

KS1 SATS will continue next week. Please ensure your child has had a good breakfast and is coming to school on time to avoid missing out on any SATS papers.

Online Safety

Kids love gadgets including smartwatches. Even though smartwatches make tempting gifts, they can pose risks to children unless they are used safely. The risks posed are receiving unwanted calls, cyber stalking, taking pictures without permission and distraction from crossing roads. We do not allow pupils to bring smart watches to school. If your child is using a smartwatch at home, please follow the top tips from the poster below to avoid any risks:

<https://bit.ly/10toptipssmartwatches>

Message from Principal (Mr. Mirza)

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Assalamu alaikum (peace be with you).

This week has been a busy week with Year 6 and Year 2 pupils sitting their SATS. Thank you to parents for supporting pupils through what would have been an anxious time. Congratulations to Year 6 pupils for completing their SATS! I know the completion of SATs will be a huge relief to them all. Year 2 will continue sitting their SATs papers into next week. Year 5 pupils will also be sitting summer tests next week to help us to put a support plan in place for all pupils. Please ensure your child does not miss any days from school.

Thank you for encouraging your children to take part in the Star Big Help Out Challenge. Well done to the children! 😊

We are moving into an exciting part of the year with lots of trips, special events and activities. We will publish a full list of all activities shortly.

New School Timings

Following our consultation last term, a decision has been made about the new school timings which will commence from September 2023. A letter will be sent out to all parents separately via SMS.

Parent Shura Council Meeting

The Parent Shura Council Meeting will take place on **Friday 19th May** at 8:45am – 10:30am. This meeting is for Parent Shura Council members only.

Please enter from the old Police Station entrance. You will not be able to enter after 9:00pm so please be on time.

Parents Coffee Afternoon

Our weekly parent coffee afternoon will take place on **Tuesday 16th May** at 1:30pm - 2:20pm. Year 3 parents are invited to attend and speak with our Year 3 teachers. Please enter from the old Police Station entrance. You will not be able to enter after 1:45pm so please be on time.

Reception September 2023 Admissions

If you have a child starting in Reception in September 2023, please could you return all documentation and forms, proof of ID for your child, current council tax bill and an additional proof of address to:

admissions@olivehackney.staracademies.org

Further correspondence regarding Reception Induction event and a student induction/ transition day will be sent out shortly to all parents. Please also accept your child's admission on the e-admissions portal.

If you have any queries about your child's admission and wish to discuss this further, please do not hesitate to contact the school office on 0207 683 7436.

Important Dates

- 15th May – 19th May – KS1 SATS Week (continued)
- 15th May – 17th May – Year 6 Kingswood Residential Trip

FREE School Uniform 2023-24

The Olive School will provide free uniform to each child who is entitled to Free School Meals which includes a school uniform, P.E uniform, P.E bag and a book bag.

CLICK HERE to complete a form to claim for your child's free school uniform voucher. The voucher will be a fixed amount of £70 per child. You can use this voucher with our uniform provider Stevenson's. www.stevenson.co.uk
Please complete and hand in the form by **26th May 2023**.

Olive's Got Talent

We have received marvellous entries for this competition. Due to our SATS exams in KS1 and KS2 some of our judges are occupied with either supporting pupils or invigilating exams. We apologise for the delay. We will be announcing the winners next week. Each winner will receive a certificate and a prize.



When you grow up, how will you use numbers in your life? Maybe you would love to do a cool job like a vet, teacher, engineer or footballer? Or do you dream of spending your days dancing, baking or saving the planet?

Create a picture of you doing your dream job or hobby and tell us how it uses numbers. Let your imagination run wild and win a fantastic prize for yourself and a prize bundle for your school.

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National Numeracy Day- 17th May

We are encouraging all our pupils to take part in the National Numeracy Day Number Heroes competition. There are many prizes to be won! Please see the link below for more information.

[Number Heroes competition](#) | [National Numeracy](#)

The deadline for all entries is 31st May 2023. Entries should be submitted online.

Y6 Kingswood Residential Trip

We are very excited about the Y6 Residential Trip, which will take place next week. Just over half of the Y6 children will go on the residential trip the rest of the pupils will enjoy a range of activities at school. If your child is going on the Residential, you will have already received all the information you need.

Here is a reminder about the timings for Monday (residential pupils only):

Time	Activity
10am	The children arrive at school.
11:15am	The children will have their lunch.
12pm	Children and staff leave the school to walk to Tesco's car park.
12:30pm	The coach will depart from the car park
2pm	Arrive at Kingswood

Here is an outline of the activities the children who are staying in school will enjoy:

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Morning	Pizza design	Preparation for trip	TBC
Midmorning	Pizza making	Bowling trip	Clapton Square Picnic
Afternoon	CT led activity	Bowling trip	CT led activity