



The Orchard Primary School

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18th October 2024

FREE Half Term Workshops!

Spectacular Science



Monday 28th Oct 10:00 - 12:00

Brentford Library (TW8 8DW)

What is required to join the session?

- These sessions are for adults and children to work together.
- Parents will need to supervise their children at all times.
- For health and safety reasons, children must be over the age of 5 to attend this session. No babies are allowed.
- Please note, we can only accommodate one adult to two children per family.
- We recommend you wear old clothes
- If you or your child need any extra assistance within the class, please be sure to let our staff know when enrolling.
- Please book in advance.

More free half-term workshops!

28.10.24:

Recycling: Home made bowling alley

28.10.24:

Black History Month

29.10.24:

Engineering: paper moving objects

29.10.24:

Pottery 11+

29.10.24:

Maths Scavenger hunt

30.10.24:

Clay

30.10.24:

Fun science experiments

30.10.24:

Diwali and fireworks arts and crafts

For more information on the free family activities, please visit:

www.hace.ac.uk or call 020 8583 6000 to book your free place!

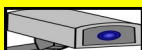
Secondary School Transfer

Leaflets have been given out to the Year 6 children with advice for parents on how/where to apply online.

Closing date for applications:
31st October 2024

Admissions link:
www.hounslow.gov.uk/admissions

These premises are under 24-hour CCTV surveillance!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday, 21st October 2024
Reception drop in session at 3:10pm

Thursday, 24th Oct 2024
Year 1 Drop-in session at 3.10pm

Friday, 25th Oct 2024
Year 2 Drop-in session at 3.10pm

School Processes
Term Time Leave

The law requires that ALL children of school age attend school every day unless s/he is ill or there are exceptional circumstances. For this reason, parents should always arrange visits to family, including those in other countries, during the school holidays. If you feel that you need to take your child out of school during term time please discuss this with the school before finalising any arrangements.

A 'Term Time Leave' form is available in the school office and we ask that this is completed with all details of absence/travel prior to leave being taken.

We monitor the absence of all children and you are likely to be required to have a meeting with the Headteacher or the Attendance Support Officer, either before or after time away from school, to discuss all term time absence. Where these term time absences are not authorised, the absence will be referred to the Local Authority and parents may incur a fixed penalty warning notice or a fine.

Your child's education is our first priority and each request is considered on its own merit, however, the availability of cheap flights or the length of time since children have seen relatives are not considered to be exceptional circumstances. We are also advised to remove pupils from the school roll if they do not return on an agreed date.

Badminton Racket Festival

Ten children from Year 4 had the opportunity to go to Osterley Sports Centre to take part in the Badminton Racket Festival! Sofia, Evelyn, Samira, Aadhya, Julia, Jan, David, Shayan, Abiram and Ayanveer thoroughly enjoyed their visit and thank Mrs McCaffrey and Mrs Mangat for taking them!



Congratulations

Juniper class and Sal class achieved the highest attendance for this week 14th – 18th October 2024. Keep up the good work of being in school and on time.

Special Mentions

Congratulations to Melissa who performed at the Welsh Aerobics Championships held last weekend. Fantastic achievement!



Attendance

If your child is unable to attend school, for any reason, please let us know.

Please email:

absence@tops.hounslow.sch.uk Or telephone the school on 020 8570 6247 and leave a voicemail message on the absence line by choosing Option 2. 'Sick' or 'unwell' cannot be accepted as a reason so please provide as much detail (symptoms) as possible. If your child does feel generally unwell in the morning before school, we encourage them to come into school, and if needed, the welfare officer will call you if your child is not well enough to stay in school.

Absence of a child due to parents ill health or that of a relative, is not an acceptable reason for a child to not be in school.

Please try to make GP and dental appointments outside of school hours so that your child is in school as much as possible. If your child needs to attend an appointment during the school day, we expect your child to be in school before and after the appointment.

If your child has a hospital appointment or needs to attend the hospital **please provide an appointment card, hospital discharge letter or email details (appointment & time) to the absence email.**

This is a requirement so that absences can be authorised.

Thank you for your co-operation and continued support with attendance.

***REMINDERS ***

Please ensure your child **does not** wear earrings to school on PE days as it is a safety hazard.

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