



I write my final Principal's newsletter for Oak Hill Academy with very mixed emotions! I started here as Deputy Headteacher for Feltham Hill Junior School back in January 2002 as Miss Ashford! At that time, we were a large junior school with 90 children in each year group, a very different set of children to those who attend an even larger Oak Hill Academy today.

During the past almost 15 years, I have seen the school change enormously, for the better! I have enjoyed growing with the school and seeing it develop into the fantastic place it is today. In the words of Frank Sinatra, 'mistakes? I've made a few...', however, as we instill in the children here, mistakes are good as we learn from them! I have certainly learnt a lot here and I know that I am leaving Mrs Saim, the new Principal, a flourishing, happy, amazing school that I feel very proud to have been a part of growing!

So, time to look back over the last half term:

Curriculum and Events

This half term has given a wealth of opportunities for children to experience fun and excitement in their learning! The first OHA Summer Festival was a great success, with all year groups performing Shakespeare plays. The Drama club and Choir collaboration of the Wicked Wizard of Oz was a joy to watch, giving children from all year groups the opportunity to experience a moment of fame! The Year 6 performance of The Tempest was a complete treat, with all of them giving their best efforts to bring this rather complicated plot to life in our school hall! Well done all!



There have been lots of trips this half term, from sporting activities to the Globe theatre to Thorpe Park, children have been given a wide variety of experiences to remember. My particular favourite was the year 3 visit to Bournemouth, our first venture into an overnight trip for our youngest children!



The fun and excitement was certainly apparent at our Summer Fayre. The queen would have enjoyed our Royal Street party, I'm sure! We raised £1200 during the afternoon. Transition week gave everyone a chance to try out their new classes and teachers! Y2 joined us during the week and are now super excited for September!

Our **attendance** for this year is 96.2%, above our target of 96%! Well done to 4U, 6U, 3C, 5L and 6D who have come top of the leader board for attendance and to **5L, 4GR, 4O,4U and 5D** who have been recognised for having 100% punctuality during some weeks this half term.

Competitions

Our Athletics team have once again proved that OHA are the best at athletics in the borough! They brought the Hounslow Primary Schools Athletics trophy back after competing against schools from across the borough earlier this month – fantastic!

Year 3 Athletes came first in the Aspirations Academies Athletics competition held in Bournemouth in June – well done team 3!

The term ended with **Sports Day** on the hottest day of the year so far and it was lovely to see lots of our children being joined by their families for the family picnic that followed. Congratulations to **Unicorn house** on their success in Sports.

Celebration of Achievement



Many congratulations to you all!

I held my last **Principal's Tea Party** for those children who have gained the most Aspirations points this term, I was joined by Demi and Sara from Y3, Jody, Riley, Jahanavi and Nikodem from y4, Balveen, Andreea, Kye and Javid from Y5 and Skye, Juliette and Melisa B from Y6.



Juliette Searle, from Y6, was presented with the **Gerry Becke Cup** for her brilliant contribution to school life during the past four years. Mr Becke's great nephew came to an assembly this week to

present Juliette with her award in front of her parents and the whole school. A very worthy winner!

Emma Brown, Y6, was awarded an **Attendance trophy** for having 100% Attendance and Punctuality for the entire time she has been at Oak Hill Academy. Four years of coming to school every day is something to celebrate and be proud of! Well done Emma.

Aspirations Awards were given to the following children and staff who have shown a particular commitment to developing the 8 conditions this year:-

Self Worth: Alice Brown and Miss Penycate

Engagement: Paige Rendell and Miss Monks

Purpose: Emily Tsubouchi-Holten and Miss Darkes

We are very proud of all of you!

The following children were given **Principal's Awards** for this half term for being great role models and heroes to their peers:

Y3-Louis Simon, Layla Hurley, Alba Bleata, Maisie Butterworth, Hnin Yee, Yusuf Mohammed, Tiffany Rowles, Melody McCarthy

Y4- Louiza Ali, Dobromir Godlewski, Yannik Bamba, Rhianna Sisodia-Hammond, Kirstie Adams, Alice Brown, Aaliyah Awodeji, Darren Kudjoe

Y5- Sacha Shipani, Madison Hart, Hennie Digney, Samaa Hussein, Elouise Hopkins, Kye Manns, Khalid Macallim-Nuur, Abigail Muiriri

Y6- Kitty O'Farrell, Nafisa Ackah, Joshua Somers, Manal Al-Raoosh, Holly Checkley, Cassidy Lewis.

Mrs Mitchell awarded her **Mathematicians of the Year** this year to Vlodya in Y6 and Shelby in Y4 who have shown a fantastic attitude towards their Maths learning this year. Well done both!

Achievements outside of School:

Bryn Tate-Burd - Year 3

Rugby – Bryn was selected by his team for the end of season award – (Player's Player). Bryn also collected a trophy as a season player. Fantastic achievements. Well done.

Palak Kapoor - Year 4

Swimming – Palak has progressed to Stage 5 in her swimming lessons. Fab news!

Music – Palak has progressed to Step 3 (with merit) in her music lessons. Well done!

Tap & Ballet – Palak has reached Grade 1 within her dance lessons.

What amazing achievements. A massive well done!

Alyssa Reynolds - Year 4

Tap Dancing – Alyssa was awarded the trophy for achieving the most points within her dance lessons. She was up against all the children, of all ages in her club. A massive well done!

Medha Kumar - Year 4

Tap & Ballet – Medha has progressed to her Pre-Grade 1 level in her dance lessons. This award was highly commended. In order to receive this, Medha had to achieve a mark of 80 and over. What an achievement! Excellent work.

Albanie Barrett - Year 3

Football – Albanie received a lovely medal/trophy which was awarded as the most improved football player by her football team. Well done. What a fabulous achievement!

Lucie Golding - Year 4

Gymnastics –Lucie has progressed to level 8 within gymnastics. Keep up the fantastic work!

Martial Arts – Lucie has worked hard to achieve her yellow belt in her Martial Arts club. What fab work. Well done!



Calling all Achievers!

We would like to continue the success of our Achievements out of School Board next year. We have enjoyed sharing all of the achievements and awards that our children have gained outside of school and do not want to miss a thing! If your child progresses or achieves in their clubs or hobbies or receive any awards, (especially in any holiday clubs) during the Summer Holidays, please encourage them to bring in their awards/certificates and see Miss Toulmin or the Health & Fitness Team in September to ensure we share the great news with all the school.

Staff News

As usual at this time of year, we have a few goodbyes to say.



We say Au Revoir to **Mrs Middleton-Clifton** as she starts her maternity leave and wish her and Mr Clifton every happiness with their new baby daughter who is due to join them in August!

On the baby front, Mrs A Thomson and Mrs K Williams returned from their maternity leaves this week - welcome back both! Mrs Berry is looking forward to her new arrival in December, congratulations to her and her husband on this exciting news!



We say goodbye to **Mrs Barnes** this term. After 2 years at Oak Hill Academy, developing our brilliant English curriculum, Mrs Barnes has decided her heart lies with younger children and so will be continuing her career as a Y2 teacher at Southville Infant School. Their gain is our loss and we wish her lots of happiness in her new role.



After 18 years as a Teaching Assistant and Higher Level Teaching Assistant, **Mrs Nicholas** has decided it is time to spend more time with her family. She is looking forward to a holiday in September and looking after her grandchildren. Mrs Nicholas has been a wonderful support to many children over the years and she will be greatly missed - we wish her well for the future.

We also wish any children who are moving away from us to join primary schools in different parts of the country lots of success for their future.

We are looking forward to Miss Prescott joining us as she starts her teaching career in September.

And of course, Mrs Saim will be returning in her new role of Principal next term.

Finally...

Our **SATs results** are at the end of this newsletter - no-one was quite sure what the tests would hold and what the national expectation would be in this first year of the new style tests related to the new national curriculum. However, the Year 6 children and their teachers have worked extremely hard during the year to make sure that they were able to do their best when it came to the SATs week in May. We are all incredibly proud of the year group and we wish all our Year 6 children continued success in the next stage of their journey.



So, another busy half term to round off a very enjoyable and successful year. I want to express my thanks to the staff, who daily demonstrate their commitment to every single one of our pupils and dedication to making OHA a fun and happy place to be for all who come through its doors. I am very proud of every single one of you! Thank you also to our Governing body who, under the faultless leadership of Mrs Dee Howley, the Chair, give up so much of their time to make sure that the children of OHA get the best deal possible. Thank you to you, the parents, who support the school in giving your children a great educational experience. Most importantly thank you to all of the children (I think it is about 1500) who have come and gone during my time at FHJS/OHA - you are all very special in your own unique ways and I know the future is bright for you all.

Mrs Lancy, Principal OHA 2007-2016



End KS2 Test results: percentage of pupils attaining expected standard

Total number of children at the end of KS2:

80

	Attained expected standard	Children disapplied	Children absent
English: reading	79%	1	0
English: grammar, punctuation and spelling	77%	1	0
Maths	80%	1	0

Teacher assessment results: percentage of pupils attaining expected standard

	Working towards expected standard	Working at expected standard	Working at greater depth within expected standard
English: writing	7%	93%	43%
	Working at expected standard		
English: reading	88%		
Maths	86%		
Science	Working at expected standard		
	91%		