OAK TREES MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

NEWSLETTER

"Achieving Excellence Together"

October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach half term, I thought it would be timely to write with an update on the Trust and on a few issues which I hope you will find of interest.

The summer holidays seem already in the distant past, and it has been lovely to see that the children have come back so positively and happy after their long break. I am sure we will have a fantastic term, and look forward to the many exciting things we have planned for pupils and staff throughout the autumn.

End of Year Tests and Assessment Results

Whilst there is no published data from the Trust and our schools this year due to the impact of Covid-19, we are very proud of how well the schools have performed in the 2022 external tests and of the impact being part of Oak Trees is having on our children. Next year, external data will be published as it was pre-pandemic, but I can assure you that our results this year are very positive and above both the Wirral and national results. Well done to our amazing school teams who work tirelessly for our children. We do appreciate you!

MAT Events

We continue to run MAT events to engage our children, and this term we have a number planned, including our MAT Diversity project, a Children in Need event in November and another MAT cross-country meeting. We were so fortunate on the October INSET day to have excellent training on Special Educational Needs and Teaching and Learning from some fabulous national and regional speakers. We are so lucky to be able to do these things together!

Attendance

Attendance is a key component of our Trust Business Plan this year, and I am thrilled to see the high and improved attendance



figures across our schools so far. It is so vital that your children are in school as much as possible, giving them every opportunity to succeed. The vast majority of our pupils attend well - we are so grateful for all that you do in supporting us in this area, and I would ask that all parents do everything they can to get their children into school as much as possible. Every day off means significant lost learning, and in light of the Covid-19 pandemic high attendance has never been more vital.

Greasby Junior School

As a brief update, Greasby Juniors are continuing to progress through the conversion process, and we are hopeful that, subject to legal details and staff consultation, the school will convert to join Oak Trees in January. This is an exciting development for our ever-growing Trust, and will mean we have around 2600 pupils and 330 staff across the Oak Trees schools! There is also significant interest from a number of other local schools at the moment, and we are hopeful that further schools will join us in the next 12-18 months, and will keep you updated at each stage of our development. It is exciting and very positive that other local schools are looking at the success of Oak Trees and are considering the possibility of joining our successful Trust, particularly as we are the only all-Wirral Multi Academy Trust!

Take care and thank you for all of your support.

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