



#### Dear parents and carers,

I hope you all had a good half-term break, ready and refreshed for the coming learning. You will all have received your Autumn 2 Class Newsletter today. If you have not, please ask your teacher for a paper copy or take a look on our website where you will find them all on the class pages (Academy Life/Class Pages then select your class).

#### **Christmas Season**

We are coming up to the largest time of celebration in the United Kingdom and many people are already busily making preparations for Christmas. At our school, we work hard to ensure everyone feels included and a wanted, loved part of our school. We do understand that Christmas is not celebrated by everyone, however we hope that we can all join in the seasonal spirit and help others to celebrate. Have a look at the diary dates section on the final page for all the exciting activities in the lead up to the Christmas Holidays.

#### Year I Tea Party

We hope that many of our parents/carers in Year I will join us on Wednesday I7th November I.45pm for a forum with Dawn and Paul, 2.15pm for a tour of the school (as many parents/carers from this year group did not have the opportunity due to COVID) and then join the YI Tea Party at 2.30pm. Please do let the office know you are able to come so we can provide enough sandwiches and cake!

Have a great weekend, Dawn Principal

## Oasis Academy Johanna Newsletter

Friday 5th Nov 2021

www.oasisacademyjohanna.org

#### Pumi's visit

On the last day of term I, Pumi visited Year 5 Indigo Class to answer their questions about South Africa: What was it like growing up in South Africa with apartheid? They asked, how many children were there in your class? What was it like when Nelson Mandela became president? We found out all sorts of interesting details like Pumi's favourite song about Nelson Mandela that people used to sing, how it felt to live with white people in charge and how everyone celebrated when apartheid was no longer allowed. It was very interesting to hear her stories and we all learnt a lot.



#### JFV needs you!

#### Volunteers needed for the Santa's Grotto

JFV and Santa need your help to ensure Santa's Grotto is a fun, exciting experience for our children.



Are you able to help on Saturday 11th of December at 2.30-5.30pm at the Oasis farm? Or help prepare things in advance?

If you would like to volunteer please fill in the form at <a href="https://forms.gle/xcakmqzLQnQly7EQA">https://forms.gle/xcakmqzLQnQly7EQA</a>, scan the QR code or talk to your class rep.

Please see page 4 for more information on JFV, who they are and how they support school.



Reception Admissions 2022-2023

Thursday 11th November 1.30pm for 2pm Tour and Talk

#### Consultation for our new building and community facilities

Please join us at one of the sessions below to find out more how we can provide state of the art facilities for our children and our community.



## Consultation sessions on the Oasis Johanna Development Scheme

Lambeth

Oasis and Lambeth Council invite you to a consultation session regarding the Oasis Johanna Development Scheme in Waterloo.

We last spoke to you some years ago about the opportunity of creating a joint educational and community facility on the Oasis Academy Johanna site. Within that time, we have been moving forward and we're now excited to bring you the updated indicative plans, ideas, and concepts for discussion. These will be displayed during our four repeated consultation sessions outlined below.

We want to give our children and the whole Waterloo neighbourhood enhanced opportunities for education, training and increased business, through a new 'state-of-the-art' educational facility.

We want to create a 21st Century school, a dedicated SEND Resource Base, as well as a Multi-Use Games Area (which will be available for use to the community outside of the school day). Other facilities to be included are a library and restaurant offering training opportunities to local people. The scheme will also deliver new connections from Baylis Road to Lower Marsh increasing safety and vibrancy, as well as responding to and respecting the wider needs of the Waterloo community.

Tuesday 16th November Monday 6th December

Session 1: 11:00 - 12:00 Session 2: 18:00 - 19:00

Oasis Hub Coffee House,
Upper Floor, 1 Kennington Road,
London
SE17QP

If you would like to attend one of the above sessions to find out more, please RSVP via the email below with your name, address & contact number. If you are unable to attend but would like to share your views, visit www.oasisacademyjohanna.org/consultation





# Extra-Curricular Activities Your School Needs You!

Are you a secret baker? Do you enjoy football, netball, multi-sports? Have you got a secret skill or passion you could share? Could you volunteer for a weekly session in the Spring Term (Jan/Feb/Mar/Apr)? We are currently looking at how we can increase our offer after Christmas. If anyone connected to school would like to help us run a club, please do contact Dawn via the school office. We need a little time to process volunteer DBS checks (Disclosure and Barring Service) so do let us know if you are interested as soon as possible.

We are really pleased to have an increasing range of extra-curricular activities take place once again. These invaluable experiences add a tremendous amount to children. We have welcomed the return of Judo on Wednesday mornings, keyboard/piano lessons from Eva and Steel Pan lessons live in school. Please help us to add many more exciting things to our list of activities on offer.

#### **Spring Cleaning**

Over the half term holiday, we have had some work done to help tidy up the school. We have been cleaning the white panelling and rain covers, painting the Early Years outdoor area, fixing some small potholes as well as the main gate. Our Reception and Nursery outdoor areas are getting a bit of a refresh with some lovely new equipment coming over the next few weeks - more pictures to come!





#### **COVID Reminder**

We are working on how we can all build our resilience to Covid-19, particularly in response to rising cases in some areas across the country.

The best way for someone to boost their immune system is to adopt a healthy lifestyle. Following general good health guidelines is the best step anyone can take towards keeping up their immunity naturally.

Whilst some of these things may sound quite basic, taken together, they contribute to the body being in the best health to be able to fight and recover from any infection. You and your child may wish to consider:

- Taking supplements such as Vitamin D, Zinc and Vitamin C which all have important functions including boosting the immune system.
- Eating a diet high in fruits and vegetables (<u>please</u> see the Eatwell Guide here).
- Dietary diversity a diverse diet increases "good" bacteria in the gut which is associated with reduced frequency of infection.
- Probiotic foods 70% of immune function resides in the gut and a healthy digestion is important for a healthy immune system.
- Exercising regularly.
- Getting a good night's sleep.
- Take steps to avoid infection such as washing your hands frequently.
- Stress affects your immune system yoga, meditation and breathing exercises can all help to reduce stress.

Thank you for considering what else you and your family might be able to do to build our resilience to Covid-19.

Our priority remains everyone's safety, and doing everything we can to keep the Academy open so that our students are where they need to be - in the classroom, learning together.



## Johanna Family Voice (JFV)

#### What is Oasis Johanna Family Voice?

IFV is a group of parents and carers who come together as a family to build a safe space through which to engage in the life of the school and community, and support our children's school experience. We do this in the following ways:

- · Develop effective relationships though clear communication between the staff, parents, pupils and others associated with our school such as Health Space & the Oasis Hub;
- To be a platform in engaging and listening to the views of parent/carers and their children in developing our school for the future though parent forums, class WhatsApp groups and Friday coffee mornings;
- · Arrange events and activities that raise funds for equipment and projects for our school to enhance the education and enrichment of the pupils;
- · Organise social events for the enjoyment of our children, families, staff and the wider community; and
- Create a safe space for school parents to enhance their confidence and speak their mind in a positive and creative way.

JFV believes "It takes a village to raise a child".

## What are JFV Class Reps?

Two people per class can become IFV class reps and act as a voice for the class parents and children, ensuring good communication about events and activities that families can be involved in. Reps also are approachable people whom other parents can approach with any concerns or queries that impact their class. They also manage their class WhatsApp group to ensure clear combustion between parents and the teacher as we will support parents.

### **Parent Class Representatives**





Year 1

Year 2

Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



If you would like to become a parent rep, please speak to your teacher, your class parent rep or our Chair of Johanna Family Voice - Bintu

Class rep have organised events in the past such as movie night, International Day and much more. They have supported parents in WhatsApp groups as well as in person with concerns and worries. We thank them all for their hard work!

We hope to continue to support all carers and parents in our community. All parents/ carers are welcome to volunteer and join in with conversation about school, events, fundraisers and more.

For more information on how to get involved, whether it is volunteering for events or a cupcake sale please speak to your class rep or Bintu ,Claire or Raquel (Leads of JVF).

#### JFV Tea-Towel Slip

Please complete this slip ONE PER FAMILY and return to a teacher at school by Monday 15th November.

I would like my child/ren below to take part in the IFV Tea Towel 2021. I understand my child's name and drawing will be sent to the publishing firm for processing, and their name/ artwork will appear on the Tea Towel for all other parents/carers to purchase. The final image will also be shared via the newsletter/school website.

Child/ren's name:	Year/Class
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	Year/Class
Signed:	Date









#### Singing Champion!

Congratulations to Ibtisam, who has been chosen to be a Singing Champion by Lambeth's Singing Making SENse. This means that she meets with Kim and Kirsty, from Lambeth Music Service, and the other Singing Champions in a Teams meeting and they share their ideas and choose songs that they would like all the Lambeth Schools to learn to sing and sign in Makaton for this coming year. Ibtisam really enjoyed her first meeting and has another one up and coming in January. Well done Ibtisam, thank you for being Johanna's Singing Champion.



Drop off your unused food and Grab something on the Go at Oasis Waterloo OR pick up a fresh shopping basket of food at Playspace!

#### Oasis Hub Waterloo

Monday - Friday IOam - 3pm

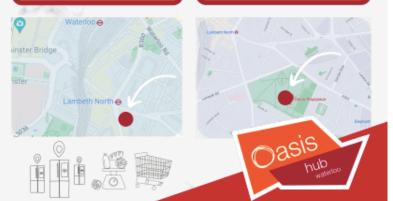
1 Kennington Road, SE1 70P

#### Oasis Playspace

Fridays

1pm - 3pm SMU Bark (Novit to Ima

GMH Park. (Next to Imperia War Museum). SE1 6HZ





#### **Phonesmart Licence**

Got your child a new phone? Thinking about getting one at Christmas? Or just want to help your child understand e-safety, particularly on their phone? Sign them up for free at <a href="https://eephonesmart.co.uk/">https://eephonesmart.co.uk/</a>. Take 5 short courses and learn how to keep themselves smart on their phones.

#### **Hub Hullabaloo**

If you have little ones (pre-school), join Wafaa and Yassin on Wednesdays, 2pm, in our community room. Come for a coffee, chat and a play!

## Sumdog

Have you logged into Sumdog yet? Lots have for the challenges we have been doing last half term. This replaces MyMaths and children's homework is often set on Sumdog. See your child's classteacher or Sharika (our Maths lead) if you need help or more information on Sumdog.

#### Attendance 95.8%

Congratulations to Y5 Indigo for 100% attendance - excellent news! We are almost at 96%, let's ensure we meet the national expectation next week.

Some families have now had their first warning letter. If attendance drops below 90% you are at risk of further action, including warning letters, meetings in school and

possibly fines. There may be a good reason for a child not attending school. If we have authorised all your absences, you will not be subject to further action. If there is a large amount of unauthorised absence, this quickly becomes a problem.

		Class	This week
	R	Red	97%
	ΥI	Orange	94%
	Y2	Yellow	94%
1	Y3	Green	98%
	Y4	Blue	94%
	Y5	Indigo	100%
	Y6	Violet	96%

Please make sure you have rung L school on the first day of abser

school on the first day of absence to explain why your child is not in school.

#### Dates for Autumn 2

Week 2							
Thurs 11th Nov	<b>2pm</b> Tour/Talk for New Reception Parents 2022/23						
Week 3							
Anti-bullying Week							
Wed 17th Nov	I.45pm YI Tea Party, Tour and Forum						
	<b>5.30pm</b> Tour/Talk for New Reception Parents 2022/23						
Thurs 18th Nov	Y5 Class Assembly: 9.05am in the School Hall. All welcome.						
Week 4							
Fri 26th Nov	Flu Spray day (will only be given if online consent form completed)						
Week 6							
Mon 6th Dec	Christmas Post Box opens						
Thurs 9th Dec	School Christmas Dinner						
Fri 10th Dec Christmas Jumper Day - £1 doi to Save the Children charity							
Sat 11th Dec	Winter Fayre at the Hub Farm, including our very own Johanna Family Voice Grotto - more details to come.						
Week 7							
Mon 13th Dec	Carol-a-thon at Waterloo Station (classes out during the day)						
Tues 14th Dec	2pm EY and KST Nativity Concert						
Wed 15th Dec 2pm KS2 Winter Concert							
Thurs 16th Dec	Christmas Post arrives!						
Friday 17th Dec	Last Day of School - finish at 1.30pm						
Christmas Holiday Mon 20th Dec to Mon 3rd Jan							
Tues 4th	INSET DAY						
Jan 2022	School closed to children						
Wed 5th   Children return to school   Jan 2022							

#### Stars of the Week

Stars of the week							
Z	Zidaan	For always being cheerful and joining in.					
Rainbow	Talia	For talking to adults.					
R Red	Tahsina	For working hard with her numbers and counting.					
I Orange	Stanley, Amina, Luna, Tyanna & Aiden	For finishing all their homework in Autumn 1.					
2 Yellow	Rani	For always trying hard.					
	Hanna	For being a kind and helpful member of Yellow class.					
	Galvin	For always reading at home.					
3 Green	Khalil G	For contributions to class discussions.					
	Jack	For trying really hard to improve his writing.					
	Chester	For great focus in his learning.					
	Carla	For positive attitude towards her learning.					
4 Blue	Dean and Mohamed	For earning their timestable badges.					
	Ruby	For participating in her learning.					
5 Indigo	Myah	For self-control and focus on learning.					
	Ikhlas	For concentraion in her timeline work.					
6 Violet	Mohamed	For contributing more to lessons.					
PE	Duha Y4 and Orion Y5	For excellent dribbling skills in PE/ Football.					

### Parent's Evening

We are looking forward to meeting parents and carers face to face for Parent's Evening appointments this half term. All families are expected to have an appointment for each child at school. We will do our best to schedule sibling appointments with a 10-20 minute gap between appointments. Appointments will be in your child's classroom and you will have a chance to look through their books before seeing the teacher. Jo and/or Dawn may also be in the meeting where we would like to discuss additional support for your child.

If you have any particular COVID concerns, please speak to your child's class teacher and we will do our best to accommodate.

Please complete the slip below to show when you would like to have your appointment. Teachers will do their best to schedule appointments in your first choice.

## Parent's Evening Appointment Slip

Please complete this slip **ONE PER FAMILY** and return to a teacher at school by **Monday I5th November.** Please indicate your first/second/third choice of day/time by using **I**, **2**, **3**.

	If you	need	a	before	or	after	school	slot	instead, rately.	please	tick
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Child/ren's name:	Year/Class
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Signed:	

	Thurs 25th Nov	Tues 30th Nov
3.30-4.30		
4.30-5.30		
5.30-6.30		
6.30-7.30		