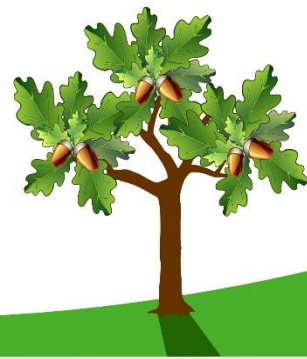




OMBERSLEY ENDOWED FIRST SCHOOL & PRE-SCHOOL

Reach for the Stars



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Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

I am delighted to be writing to you as the new Headteacher of Ombersley Endowed First School and Pre-school, and to be preparing to welcome your children into school on Thursday this week. A very warm welcome to all of the children and families who, like me, are beginning their journey with this lovely school. I am looking forward to getting to know our whole school community. Staff have worked hard to prepare for the children's return, and we are looking forward to an exciting year of learning and growing together.

Holiday Club Thanks

We welcomed lots of children to our holiday club this year and, as always, they had a great time - despite the challenges of the weather! Many thanks to Jo, Em and Hannah for doing such a fabulous job.

Communications

We will always endeavour to communicate in a timely and effective way with families and we want to work in close partnership with you to. Please direct any queries or concerns to your child's class teacher in the first instance. You can contact teachers through the school office or at the classroom door at drop off and pick up. Please keep longer conversations to the end of the day rather than the beginning, so that teachers and children can make a prompt start to the day. Mr Postans and I will be on the path at drop off and pick up times and always willing to have quick chat. For longer discussions, please make an appointment through the school office. We will keep you informed of school events through the newsletters and office communications.

School and Nursery Arrivals and Departures

The school gates will open at 8.30 am for pupils and children should be in their classrooms for our day to start promptly at **8.40am**. Gates will close at this time, and children will have to enter through the office.

Our departure time for main school (Reception to Yr4) is **3.10pm**.

Nursery timings are 9.00am - 3.00pm. Children should arrive through the office and will be brought to the gate at the end of the day.

Please park considerately and drive patiently when dropping off and collecting your children. Everyone's safety is our top priority. The car park can be accessed through the second gate at the top of the layby. The Parish Council have erected new barriers on the grass verge at the other end of the layby to improve safety around the main road and prevent damage to the verge.

Breakfast Club and Early Birds

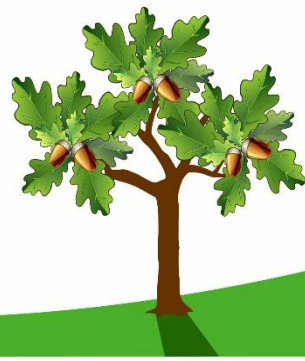
Children can attend Breakfast Club, After School Club and Early Birds (Pre-School). This must be booked in advance through the school office. Arrival and Departure arrangements will be communicated on booking.





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Attendance

Every day in school counts and it is important for children, not just academically but socially too, that they are in school as much as possible. We want to understand everyone's circumstances and support good school attendance, so will contact you if your child's attendance is a concern. Please let us know if there are things that we can do to help.

There is useful NHS guidance here about judging whether a child is too ill to attend school.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

In line with government guidance holidays in term time will not be authorised and may be subject to fines.

Allergy Safety and Medication

Please remember that we are a nut-free and kiwi-free school. It is very important that children do not bring nuts or kiwi fruit into school.

Please ensure that you update your child's details with the office making sure that school is aware of allergies or any other medical condition, so that care plans can be put in place or updated as necessary.

In line with new guidance, the school holds 'spare' auto-injector pens that can be used on any child in the case of an anaphylactic reaction.

If your child needs medication through the day, please bring this to the school office.

Enjoy the last day of the holidays and we look forward to seeing you all tomorrow.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Catherine Brogan
Headteacher.

