



Oasis Academy South Bank Primary Newsletter

Friday, 25th April 2025

Dear South Bank Primary Family,

What a memorable and significant week it's been in school! After much anticipation, we officially became Oasis Academy South Bank Primary as part of a special renaming event held on Tuesday. The whole school came together for an inspiring assembly, where we were honoured to welcome Steve Chalke, the Oasis founder, as a guest speaker. Steve shared memories, vision, and pride in the school and its place in the community – it was a moment that truly connected our past with our future.

It was fantastic to have parents join us for the event, and to see the children so engaged and excited about this new chapter in our school's story. As part of the change, our new school colour is blue and it's been great to see many children in their new uniforms. You will have noticed updated signs around the school, and children have already been involved in creative activities linked to the new name.

This week also saw our summer term parents' meetings take place. Thank you to all the families who came in to talk with class teachers – those conversations are a valuable part of supporting each child's learning and progress. We really appreciate your time and involvement.

Alongside all this, I've spent time this week in pupil progress meetings with teachers across the school. It's a vital opportunity to look in detail at how each child is doing and what steps we can take to support them further. There's been a real sense of drive and shared purpose from staff in helping every child move forward.

Thank you as always for your ongoing support. This week has been a powerful reminder of the strength of our school community and the exciting path ahead.

Paul C



Newsletter changes

We have been reviewing how we communicate with parents and families and we're keen to innovate, for example using social media such as Instagram and updates to our website offering.

This term we are going to trial publishing a school newsletter once a fortnight instead of weekly. This will allow us time to invest in other communication forms whilst also making sure our newsletter is of high quality.

If you have any ideas or suggestions of regular sections you would like added to our newsletter, or other communication methods the school uses, please let us know via the office email:

info@oasissouthbankprimary.org

The next newsletter will be published on Friday, 9th April.



Inset Days

Just to give lots of notice and reminder, we have two inset days planned this term.

The first is on Friday, 23rd May. The second is on Friday, 27th June.

School will be closed to children on both these days so please mark these dates in your diaries.

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Key Dates

Date	Activity
5th May	May bank holiday
8th May	VE Day 80
12th May	Start of Year 6 SATs
19th-23rd May	Walk to school week
22nd May	Last day of half-term
23rd May	Inset day—school closed
2nd June	Start of summer 2 half-term
27th June	Inset day—school closed
10th-13th July	Waterloo Festival (provisional dates)
22nd July	Last day of term

Oasis Encounter



Oasis Encounter is an eight-week programme which uses the principles of Non-Violent Resistance (NVR) to support parents and carers with aspects of their child's behaviour challenges. The course is designed to support with behaviour management and wellbeing.

What do parents say about Oasis Encounter?

"This was labelled to me as a parenting course from school which offended me, and I was apprehensive. It is no such thing. Everyone involved is lovely, kind and understanding and also some of them have issues with their own children which is really refreshing to hear and be given advice from professional people that actually do understand. I am ending this course feeling like I am a different kind of parent, and I have a different child. The dynamic is different, and calmer and we are both much happier. School attendance is more than it's ever been. Thank you so much to all involved"

New courses are starting from 12th May 2025. You can sign up via the website and find a video explaining more about what to expect there:

www.oasisuk.org/oasis-encounter/

You can also email: oasis.encounter@oasisuk.org

Attendance

The last week of the spring term saw a big dip in attendance, but this was understandable as many families celebrated Eid on the Monday.

Looking forward to our attendance figures shooting back up in the coming weeks.

Nursery Rainbow	93%
Reception Red Class	89%
Y1 Orange Class	80%
Y2 Yellow Class	91%
Y3 Green Class	82%
Y4 Blue Class	86%
Y5 Indigo Class	93%
Y6 Violet Class	82%

Our Renaming Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who took part in our special renaming afternoon on Tuesday. Special thank you to all those who supported the planning, from delivering leaflets to sending out whatsapp messages to blowing up balloons.

It was fantastic to see so many people come into the school including parents, carers, past students, representatives from South Bank Secondary and Oasis staff from lots of different teams.

