

OXFORD SPIRES ACADEMY

PRIMARY LIAISON DIARY
2018-2019



**Events for and in collaboration with
Primary Schools**

OXFORD SPIRES ACADEMY



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Open Evening - Thursday 11th October
6:30-9:00pm



Meet our students, teachers and colleagues



Look around our Academy



Open Morning - Friday 12th October 8:50-10:40am

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Welcome from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers, Pupils & Teachers,

We have put this programme of Primary events together for you so that you can plan which events are appropriate knowing what is on offer this year. We hugely value our Primary Liaison activities and find that it makes such a difference on transition to Oxford Spires. In particular, we notice increased confidence and a very positive attitude to learning. We have drawn up this list of opportunities based upon what we know has been popular in previous years and based upon what teachers have said that students would find valuable.

We are always willing to take further feedback about what else we might offer and about how we can improve the provision further.

Primary students can access the events either through their school or directly through parents. We look forward to working together with you and your children.

With very best wishes

Marianne Blake
Principal

Message from the Primary Liaison

Dear Parents/Carers, Pupils & Teachers,

We are incredibly excited to be expanding on last year's programme of events with a selection of new master classes and workshops.

Details of all events are posted to the primary schools approximately two weeks in advance. Teachers will select students to invite – the method for this varies from school to school, so please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any queries about this.

If you see something within this programme that your son or daughter would be interested in attending, please feel free to contact me directly by emailing JSheppard@oxfordspiresacademy.org as we would love to accommodate you.

Please could all reply slips be returned to Oxford Spires Academy by the date noted in the letter of invitation? Due to high demand on some courses, places are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

We look forward to welcoming you over the course of the year.

James Sheppard
Primary Liaison Coordinator
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	TIME	EVENT		
2018				
October				
	Wed 10 th	3.30pm – 6.00pm	Primary Mathematics Challenge	Years 5 & 6
	Thurs 11 th	6.30pm – 9.00pm	OPEN EVENING	All Years
	Fri 12 th	8.50am – 10.40am	OPEN MORNING	All Years
November				
	Tues 6 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Humanities - History Investigation	Year 5
	Weds 22 nd	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Science Master Class	Year 5
December				
	Wed 12 th	9.15am – 2.45pm	Primary Pantomime Workshops	Year 5
	Weds 19 th	9.15am – 12.00pm	Primary Pantomime Performance	Year 5
2019				
January				
	Tues 15 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Literacy Master Class	Year 5
	Tues 22 nd	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Humanities – Geography Master Class	Year 5
February				
	Wed 6 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Mathematics Master Class	Year 5
	Tues 26 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Science Master Class	Year 5
March				
	Tues 5 th	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Language Course for beginners	Years 4 & 5
	Wed 13 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Art Workshop	Years 4, 5 & 6
	Wed 20 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Humanities - History Investigation	Year 5
	Thurs 21 st	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Literacy Master Class	Year 4
May				
	Wed 8 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Mathematics Master Class	Year 4
	Tues 14 th	3.45pm – 5.00pm	Music Workshop	Year 5
June				
	Mon 10 th	10.00am – 2.30pm	Design and Technology Day	Year 5
	Tues 18 th	10.00am – 2.30pm	Shakespeare Speaking Competition	Years 5 & 6

OCTOBER 2018

Event 1 - Primary Mathematics Challenge

Current Champions: St. Andrews Primary School

Date: Wednesday 10th October 2018

Time: 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Target Audience: Years 5 and 6

Purpose: Teams from different primary schools will compete against each other on a series of mathematical challenges.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 2 - Open Evening

Date: Thursday 11th October 2018

Time: 6.30pm – 9.00pm

Open Morning

Date: Friday 12th October 2018

Time: 8.50am - 10.40am

Target Audience: Year 6 pupils and parents / carers

Purpose: To show Oxford Spires at its best and to give parents / carers of year 6 primary school pupils information about OSA as the best secondary school choice in East Oxford.

Information to be sent to primary schools week commencing Monday 11th September 2017

NOVEMBER 2018

Event 3 - Humanities History Mystery

Date: Tuesday 6th November 2018

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5

Purpose: An original master class, during which pupils will look at artifacts and work together to uncover a historical mystery.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 4 - Science Master Class

Date: Wednesday 22nd November 2018

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5

Purpose: To provide exciting and challenging scientific activities.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

DECEMBER 2018

Event 5 - Primary Pantomime Workshop and Performance

Date: Wednesday 12th December 2018

Time: 9.15am - 2.45pm

Performance Date: Wednesday 19th December 2018

Time: 9.15am – 12.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5

Purpose: To provide exciting and educational performing arts workshops for primary students and participate in a pantomime! Drama Prefects from OSA will run workshops at local primary schools on Wednesday 12th December and participating schools will be invited to watch the Oxford Spires Panto on Thursday 15th December.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

JANUARY 2019

Event 6 - Literacy Master Class

Date: Tuesday 15th January 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5

Purpose: To provide fun, challenging literacy activities to really stretch the literacy imagination of pupils.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 7 - Humanities Geography Masterclass

Date: Tuesday 22nd January 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5

Purpose: An original master class, during which pupils will look at world Geography and how it effects both themselves and the world around them.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

FEBRUARY 2019

Event 8 - Mathematics Master Class

Date: Wednesday 6th February 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5 pupils

Purpose: To provide challenging, engaging mathematical activities to stretch the more able mathematician.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 9 - Science Master Class

Date: Tuesday 26th February 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5 pupils

Purpose: To provide exciting and challenging scientific activities.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

MARCH 2019

Event 10 - Language Course for beginners

Date: Tuesday 5th March 2019

Time: 3.30pm – 4.30pm

Target Audience: Years 4 & 5

Purpose: To provide fun and challenging activities for the more able Years 4, 5 and 6 pupils. **You do not have to be able to speak another language, just to have an interest in learning something new.**

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 11 - Art Workshop

Date: Wednesday 13th March 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 4, 5 and 6

Purpose: To challenge and stretch able artists and offer them the opportunity to learn some new creative techniques.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 12 - Humanities History Mystery

Date: Wednesday 20th March 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 5

Purpose: An original master class, during which pupils will look at artifacts and work together to uncover a historical mystery.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 13 - Literacy Master Class

Date: Thursday 21st March 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Year 4 pupils

Purpose: To provide fun, challenging literacy activities to really stretch the literary and imagination of pupils.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

MAY 2019

Event 14 - Mathematics Master Class

Date: Wednesday 8th May 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Years 4 pupils

Purpose: To provide challenging, engaging mathematical activities to stretch the more able mathematician.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 15 – Music Workshop

Date: Tuesday 14th May 2019

Time: 3.45pm – 5.00pm

Target Audience: Years 5 pupils

Purpose: A new workshop for students to engage musically and have fun.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

JUNE 2019

Event 16 – Shakespeare Speaking Competition

Date: Tuesday 11th June 2019

Time: 10.00am – 2.30pm

Target Audience: Years 5 & 6

Purpose: To provide fun and challenging activities using skills in both Drama and English for year 5 and 6 pupils. Pupils will be selected by their primary school for participation.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Event 17 - Design & Technology Day

Date: Monday 17th June 2019

Time: 10.00am – 2.30pm

Target Audience: Year 5 pupils

Purpose: An opportunity to learn new Design and Technology knowledge, whilst demonstrating your skills as a team player and working under pressure to a deadline. This will be a ‘Build a Buggy’ style competition.

Each pupil will receive:

- Fun, challenging and educational activity workshops
- Certificate of participation
- Opportunity to receive House Points and Commendations
- A reward card (if not already received one)

Message Regarding Oxford East Sports Partnership Primary Events

The partnership offers a full calendar of competitions and festivals specially designed to allow children to access a range of different activities as they progress from Year 1 through to Year 6, including Games, Athletics, Dance, Gymnastics and Outdoor Adventurous activities.

We offer Level 1 inclusive sports events as the foundation to City Level 2 and County Level 3 events which promote the sports values of Determination, Self Belief, TeamWork, Passion, Honesty and Respect. Children have the chance to compete both intra and inter school. The program is largely aimed for teachers to bring the whole class, thus entitling every student to experience the benefits of taking part in sports events.

We are delighted to be in a position to promote sport within the school and to support our feeder primary schools in getting children more active. Attendance is coordinated directly with class teachers and PE coordinators for associated partnership schools.

Debbie Turner
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Primary Sports Calendar 2018 – 2019

Participating schools: Larkrise, St Christopher's, SSMJ, St Francis, Church Cowley, East Oxford, plus OSA support.

Date	Event	Venue	Number	Description
SEPTEMBER				
Thurs 13 th	PE Coordinators Meeting – Staff	OSA	1 or more reps per school	Planning events /Sports calendar/aims of partnership 12.00- 1.00 p.m or school appointments.
Thurs 27 th	Multi-Skills Yr 3 – Outdoors Timings tbc: Optional Yr 5/6 leaders training session (9.30– 10.30) session 1: Morning 10.30 – 11.30a.m session 2: Afternoon 1.30–2.30 p.m	OSA	30 per school. Max 3 schools, 90 children Per session	Children complete a circuit of fundamental movement activities in small groups. Children will score points for their teams, with Winners and participation certificates awarded. Children work with own staff, yr 5/6 or OSA leaders. Opportunity for baseline assessment.
OCTOBER				
Thurs 4 th	Multi-Skills Year 3- Outdoor Timings tbc: Optional yr 5/6 leaders training session (9.30 – 10.30) session 1: Morning 10.30 – 11.30 a.m session 2: Afternoon 1.30 – 2.30 p.m	OSA	30 per school. Max 3 schools.	Children complete a circuit of fundamental movement activities in small groups Children will score points for their teams, with Winners and participation certificates awarded. Children work with own staff or OSA leaders. Opportunity for baseline assessment.
Thurs 11 th	Cross Country Year 4 Morning 10.00a.m – 11.30a.m n.b this is a level 1 event, SGO will organise city level 2 event.	OSA	Whole class X 6 schools max	Session will include: Warm up/walk course with own teachers/staff. Year 4 girls race, Year 4 boys race, Year 4 Mixed Boys and Girls Race. Plus relay races. All children to do at least one race. (900 metres) Staff needed to manage teams and collate results.
	Cross Country Year 5/6 Afternoon. 1.15 p.m – 2.30 p.m n.b this is a level 1 event, SGO will organise city level 2 event	OSA	Whole class X 6 schools max	Warm up/walk course with own teachers/staff. Year 5/6 girls race, Year 5/6 boys race, Year 5/6 Mixed Boys and Girls Race. Plus relay race. (approx. 1200 metres) Staff needed to manage teams and collate results.

NOVEMBER				
Thurs 1 st	Change For Life Festival Outdoor 10.00a.m – 11.30 a.m	OSA Yr 3/4 target years (flexible)	Max 15 per school	Target group – non active population. Those who are do not attend clubs or play for school teams – or those currently attending change for life clubs.
Thurs 8 th	Year 5/6 Indoor Athletics S Hall Session 1: 9.30 a.m – 11.00 a.m	OSA (Sports Hall)	Squad Min 9 boys and 9 girls, max 12 boys and 12 girls	Level 1 event. Practice/qualifier for city Level 2 Event.
	Yr 4 Indoor Athletics 1.15 – 2.30 p.m Track only	OSA (Sports Hall)	X 1 class per school Max 6 schools	Introduction to sports hall athletics. Track events only.
Thurs 15 th	KS 1 Gym festival 9.45 – 11.15a.m 1.30 – 2.30p.m	OSA (lower gym)	X 2 classes per session 2 different schools	Practice balance, rolls, jumps, travelling, gym games and fundamental movement. Option to show and share work/ pre prepared set piece.
Thurs 22 nd	KS 1 Gym festival 9.45 – 11.15 a.m 1.30 – 2.30 p.m	OSA (lower gym)	X 2 classes per session. 2 different schools	Practice balance, rolls, jumps, travelling, gym games and fundamental movement. Option to show and share work.
Thurs 29 th	Year 5/6 Tag Rugby Festival 9.45– 11.30 a.m 1.15 – 2.30 p.m	OSA field	30 per school per session	Mixed boys and girls games. Squads of 10 , play 7 aside. Teachers/Adults required to referee games and staff to manage teams(CPD).
DECEMBER				
Thurs 6 th	Year 4 Tag Rugby 9.45– 11.30 a.m 1.15 – 2.30 p.m	OSA field	30 per school per session	Mixed boys and girls games. Squads of 10 , play 7 aside. Teachers/Adults required to referee games and staff to manage teams(CPD)
JANUARY				
Thurs 10 th	PE Coordinator meeting	OSA	Staff	12.00 -1.00 p.m
Thurs 17 th	BISI Festival Year 3 S Hall Morning 10a.m–11.10 a.m Afternoon 1.15– 2.30p.m	OSA (Sports Hall)	X 30 per school. Max 3 schools Per session	Activity of badminton based skills and fundamental movements. Suitable as introduction to badminton or to complement net games schedule.
Thurs 24 th	BISI Festival Morning and afternoon times tbc	At your school Need Hall space	30 -60 children max	DT to assist class teacher to coordinate your own BISI festival in your own school hall.
Thurs 31 st	Year 4 modified handball Outdoor a.m and p.m	OSA Outdoor - field	30	Basic invasion game/development ball skills and teamwork. Throw and catch in teams and throw into goal to score. Goal keeper in area, shoot from outside circle. No other set positions/areas.

FEBRUARY				
Thurs 7 th	Year 4 modified handball. Outdoor a.m and p.m	OSA Outdoor - field	30	Basic invasion game/development ball skills and teamwork. Throw and catch in teams and throw into goal to score. Goal keeper in area, shoot from outside circle. No other set positions/areas.
Thurs 14 th	Year 5/6 Dodgeball a.m and p.m	OSA outdoor	30	Fun end of term dodgeball festival.
MARCH				
Thurs 7 th	KS 1 Dance Festival Theme tbc. Am/Pm	OSA Lower gym	60 max per session.	Children work creatively to copy and choreograph simple movements to express dance idea. Work with teachers/leaders
Thurs 14 th	Quad Kids Year 3/4 tbc	OSA field	90 per session	Introduction to Athletics. Sprint, throw, jump, middle distance. Every child does 4 events. Team result
Thurs 21 st	Quad Kids Year 3/4 tbc	OSA field	90 per session max	Introduction to Athletics. Sprint, throw, jump, middle distance. Every child does 4 events. Team result.
Thurs 28 th	Class Introduction to Kwik Cricket Year 5/6 rules and game a.m and p.m	OSA field	60 max	Basic skills – bowling, throwing, catching. Learning and applying rules in pairs cricket practice matches. Teachers/Adults score and umpire. (CPD)
APRIL				
Thurs 4 th	Class Introduction to Kwik Cricket Year 5/6 rules and game a.m and p.m	OSA field	60 max	Basic skills – bowling, throwing, catching. Learning and applying rules in pairs cricket practice matches. Teachers/Adults score and umpire (CPD)
Thurs 25 th	PE Coordinators Meeting	OSA	Staff	1.30 – 2.30 p.m
MAY				
Thurs 2 nd	Year 3/4 Mini Red a.m 9.30 – 11.30 a.m p.m 1.15 – 2.30 p.m	OSA Subject to availability of tennis courts tbc.	60 max per session	Opportunity to develop skills on tennis courts. Learning and applying rules. Pupils do own scoring. Depending on numbers – intra school or inter school competition. Preparation for level 2 competition.
Thurs 9 th	Year 3/4 Mini Red	OSA	60 max	
Thurs 16 th	Year 3/4 Mini Red	OSA	60 max	
Thurs 23 rd	Year 2 Cricket All Stars	OSA Tbc	60 max	tbc

JUNE				
Thurs 6 th	YEAR 1 Multi-skills 9.30 – 10.30 a.m 1.30 – 2.30 p.m	OSA outside field	30 per school	Morning and Afternoon Session
Thurs 13 th	YEAR 1 Multi-skills 9.30 – 10.30 a.m 1.30 – 2.30 p.m	OSA outside field	30 per school	Morning and Afternoon Session
Thurs 20th or Thurs 27th TBC	IFFLEY ROAD ATHLETICS TBC YEAR 3 AND YEAR 6 – WHOLE CLASS			
JULY				
Thurs 4 th	YEAR 3/4 Modified Rounders Festival Am and Pm sessions	OSA	30 per school	Teams of approx. 10, mixed boys and girls. Play round robin of modified game. Emphasis fun and participation.
Thurs 11 th	YEAR 5/6 Modified Rounders Festival Am and Pm sessions	OSA	30 per school	Teams of approx. 10, mixed boys and girls. Play round robin of modified game. Emphasis fun and participation.