

Celebrating Brilliance

Well done to all the children and teaching staff of Oswald Road







Academic: Attainment and Progress



We are so proud of all of our children and all of our teaching staff.

Throughout school, the children have shown unprecedented levels of progress. This has been commended by external School Improvement Partners, our Governing Body and other external links. This progress has brought the attainment back to and above levels pre-pandemic, showing the catch-up models we have had in place to be particularly effective.

Progress across school has seen unprecedented levels of acceleration looking from the last assessment point pre-pandemic.

It is worth noting that at Oswald Road we do not narrow the curriculum – so these levels have been achieved whilst the children also have full access to a broad and balanced curriculum.



Curriculum Development



We are also so proud of the amazing curriculum developments happening across school. Again, this has been commended by School Improvement Partners.

Our subject leads have been working incredibly hard (on top of their class responsibilities) to develop their subject areas. We have invested heavily in mentoring for our staff to develop their subjects, truly tailored for our school, and to really develop subject specialists within school.

The outcome of this work has been clearer subject integrity with clearer progression across school in all subjects. The subject areas where this work started earliest (History, Geography, Design & Technology and Science) are now in a place with clearly embedded units of work and clear progression documents. These were



written by our own subject leads, with the support of our external School Improvement Partner and reviewed by our teaching team. Discussions with the children have shown a real development in their subject knowledge - they know more and remember more. Our next step is linked to further depth for the children so they can make deeper links across a subject.

We are currently investing in Religious Education and Physical Education – the same work is in progress with these subjects and we are in a position to launch with our enhanced curriculum work in September. This work has been happening across this academic year.





Behaviour and Attitudes Towards Learning



Our children are just amazing.

We absolutely love them to pieces and we're so proud of them. Their attitudes towards learning are fantastic, as is their behaviour for learning. We have recently completed work on movement around school and the children have most definitely risen to the challenge. So many people have commented on the difference it has made.



Year 6 SATs



Well done to Year 6 who completed their SATs this month.

I'm sure we all have our own opinions on whether the children should have been completing the tests on the back of missed schooling due to the pandemic, however I just wanted to congratulate the children for being amazing as always.

Your attitude was fantastic and we're very, very proud of you.



Other Things To Be Proud Of...



I remain really proud that we have a Governing Body who commit to our structure of having specialist Art and Design, specialist Music and a Sports Coach in PE.

In addition, this year they also committed to us having a specialist in Computing. The specialists are our very own teachers, who have taught in our classrooms over the years and are truly fantastic classroom teachers, as well as specialists in their areas.



It's fair to say, this model is expensive and I am so grateful that we have a Governing Body who commit to this spend, even in time of budget difficulties. It shows a real understanding of the importance of these subjects. The children talk so positively about the progress they have made in these areas due to the strength in teaching.

Computing has been an area we were keen to develop this year. Having our specialist working with class teachers in their lessons is a great way of building a depth in subject knowledge across our teaching team in this area.



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