



17th July 2025

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OTTERSHAW NEWS!

Summer Term 2025	
July	
18 th	Last Day Year 6 – Shirt and Leavers Yearbooks signing Nursery finishes at 1pm Juniors finish at 1:05pm Infants finish at 1:15pm
21 st	OPTA second hand Uniform sale 10am-noon at the Juniors

Dear Parents/Carers,

Here we are with one day to go before the summer holidays begin – the children have worked hard, have grown and are ready for some downtime now. This end of the week is always emotional as we say goodbye to some amazing colleagues and to some lovely children, especially Year 6 – we wish them all well and hope that they always hold a piece of Ottershaw magic in their hearts.

This week has been a true celebration of the children’s year in school and we all thoroughly enjoyed watching the Nursery, Year 2 and Year 6 Leavers’ Assemblies. It is such a privilege to see your children perform and realise just how grown up and ready they are for their next adventure and I was proud of them all this week, from the butterflies in Nursery those in graduation caps in Year 2 and to Year 6 for their very cool and funny reflections of school!

We know that the summer holidays will fly by and September will be here before we all know it. As always, we are already making our preparations for the year ahead. Thank you to everyone who completed our recent playtime survey – we will be slowly introducing even more outdoor play to the children’s lunchtimes from September. If you are clearing out cupboards over the summer, please keep us in mind before you donate unwanted things! We will be asking for more as the year progresses, but to get us started, we would really appreciate donations of the following in September:

- Tarpaulins and sheets for making dens and sitting on
- Dressing up clothes
- Complete board games
- Lego and construction toys
- Art and craft materials
- Soft toys, suitcases and any role play toys
- Any unwanted kitchen spoons, pots and pans (no sharp edges please)
- Any plastic sandpit toys
- Any soft pipe insulation and unwanted guttering
- Spare waterproof clothing and wellies
- Any large storage boxes with lids

Watch this space, we will be sharing more next year!

Thank you for supporting us and sharing the journey with us – it’s been a busy year with 3 inspections, all successful, and another year of fantastic exam results. For those who are returning, we look forward to the children returning on Wednesday 3rd September. For those whose time at Ottershaw is at an end, we will miss you.

Enjoy your summer,

Mrs J Hastings
 Headteacher

