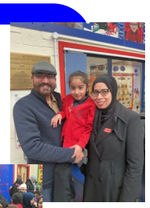




RRR Assemblies - Autumn 2026

Our RRR assemblies are a fantastic opportunity to see your child perform and find out about what they have been, and will be, learning about in school!
Our assemblies will last approximately 40 minutes.

Thursday 10th September – new Year 6 at 8:30am
Thursday 17th September – new Year 5 at 8:30am
Thursday 24th September – new Year 4 at 8:30am
Thursday 1st October – new Year 3 at 8:30am
Thursday 8th October – new Year 2 at 8:30am
Thursday 15th October – new Year 1 at 8:30am





Sports Afternoons 2026

Oxford Grove always hold Sports Afternoons at the start of every school year.
We are proud to have a policy of never cancelling due to the weather, as we know that this would cause disruption for our families.
Therefore, if the weather is bad for a Sports Afternoon, this will be held in the school hall instead.



Tuesday 1st September – new Year 6 at 2:00pm
Wednesday 2nd September – new Year 5 at 2:00pm
Thursday 3rd September – new Year 4 at 2:00pm
Friday 4th September – new Year 3 at 2:00pm
Monday 7th September – new Year 2 at 2:00pm
Tuesday 8th September – new Year 1 at 2:00pm



Punctuality

Reminder—our school day starts at 8:30am.
Our school gates are open from 8:25am so that children can start to enter from this time.
Please ensure that your child arrives punctually to school as lessons start straight away at 8:30am.
Our free Breakfast Club starts at 8:00am so your child can enjoy a healthy breakfast and some fun games before school starts and they will always be at school on time.
Please speak to the School Office if your child does not currently attend Breakfast Club but you would like them to start.

Important Diary Dates

Please remember - you can check the Calendar section of our school website for important diary dates, too!

Summer Term 2026

Monday 25th May - Friday 5th June – School closed for half term (2 weeks)
Monday 8th June - Friday 19th June – New Year 6 swimming lessons daily
Tuesday 9th June - Wednesday 10th June – New Year 4 textiles workshop
Monday 22nd June - Friday 3rd July – Old Year 6 swimming lessons daily
Monday 6th July - Friday 17th July – New Year 3 swimming lessons daily
Friday 17th July – Year 6 Leavers assembly at 10:00am (Old Year 6 parents/carers invited)
Friday 17th July – School closes at 1pm

Autumn Term 2026

Tuesday 1st September – School reopens at the usual time of 8:30am
Thursday 22nd - Friday 30th October – School closed for half term (1 week and 2 days)
Monday 30th November – School closed (1 day)
Friday 18th December – School closes for Christmas holidays

X

If you would like to receive updates on safeguarding, school information and your child's learning on X, please follow

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Oxford Grove Newsletter

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Contact Details

An important reminder that you must inform the School Office immediately if any of your contact information changes. We must have the correct information so that we can contact you in an emergency.

This includes your:
- **address**
- **mobile phone number**
- **landline phone number**
- **email address**

If the details of any of your child's emergency contacts changes, please inform us of this immediately as well.

New Year 3

If your child is moving into Year 3 and you would like them to walk home on their own from September, please let their new class teacher know.

Children in the new Year 3 classes will still need to be collected by an adult for the rest of this term.

Transition and New Classes for 2026-2027

As is tradition at Oxford Grove, we will soon be starting our transition arrangements for children moving up to their new classes. This supports our children's wellbeing by letting them get used to their new classroom and new teacher before the summer holidays, and helps children to adjust more confidently when they return to school in September as they are already familiar with their adults and routines.

Children will be spending time in their new classes with their new class teachers from Monday 8th June. We will continue to use flexible grouping for Maths and English in some classes, as we currently do, and children will experience working with their new base class teacher and their flexible grouping teachers over the rest of the term.
Every day from Monday 8th June, all children will come into school through the main entrance as usual.
At the end of the day, children will leave school through their new classroom exit doors.

From the start of transition, all classroom doors will be labelled with the new class name and teacher.
Please come onto the KS1 playground and find your child's class door for home time.
New Year 6 children will walk around the side of the school building onto the KS1 playground.
Old Year 6 children will leave school through the main entrance at the front of school.
You will receive a text message to remind you of the new arrangements.

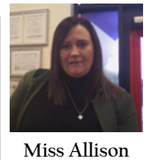
Towards the end of the final week of term, children will return to their old class teacher in order to spend time with them before breaking up for the summer holidays.

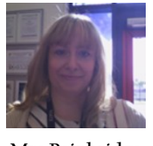
Joining Oxford Grove this year we have two new teachers to Oxford Grove — Miss Allison and Mrs Bainbridge.

The Foundation Stage teaching team will be Miss Allison, Miss Ball and Miss Simpson.
The current Reception 1 (Miss Simpson) will by taught by Mrs Thompson (1 Grove)
The current Reception 2 (Miss Ball) will be taught by Miss Ridgway (1 Oxford)
The current Year 1 Grove (Mrs Thompson) will be taught by Miss Cowell (2 Oxford)
The current Year 1 Oxford (Miss Ridgway) will be taught by Miss Brewer and Miss Jarvis (2 Grove)
The current Year 2 Oxford (Miss Cowell) will be taught by Mrs Johnston-Sweeney (3 Grove)
The current Year 2 Grove (Miss Turner) will be taught by Miss Bimson (3 Oxford)
The current Year 3 Oxford (Miss Bimson) will be taught by Mrs Bain (4 Grove)
The current Year 3 Grove (Miss Tunstall) will be taught by Mrs Bainbridge (4 Oxford)
The current Year 4 Grove (Mrs Bain) will be taught by Miss Austin (5 Oxford)
The current Year 4 Oxford (Miss Affleck) will be taught by Miss Nixon (5 Grove)
The current Year 5 Oxford (Miss Austin) will be taught by Miss King (Year 6 Grove)
The current Year 5 Grove (Miss Nixon) will be taught by Miss Lowe (Year 6 Oxford)

Additional teachers will work alongside class teachers to support teaching and learning across the curriculum:
Mr Kelly and **Mrs Bevin**.
Mrs Claire will be working within the Foundation Stage supporting teaching and learning.
Miss Howcroft will be working across Key Stage 1 supporting teaching and learning.
Mrs Taylor-Johnson will be working across Key Stage 2 supporting teaching and learning.

We would also like to wish all the best to Miss Turner.
Her contract to cover Mrs Johnston-Sweeney's maternity leave has now come to an end and she will be moving on to work at another school.
We would like to thank her for all her hard work and wish her good luck at her new school!


Miss Allison


Mrs Bainbridge

Support for Our Families

Oxford Grove are once again able to offer a range of essential school items FREE OF CHARGE.
This is through careful oversight of our school budget, and we hope this will be a big support our families.
Information regarding free uniform ordering has already been sent out.
Any further items that are required will need to be purchased from one of our uniform suppliers.

School Trends (online)

Smart Clothing, Bolton Market

Whittakers Deansgate, Bolton



Uniform

Oxford Grove will be providing **one** branded school jumper and **one** branded school polo shirt.
In addition to the school jumper and polo shirt, all children need to be wearing BLACK trousers, skirts or shorts — parents/carers will need to provide these items.





PE Kits

Oxford Grove will be providing **one** branded school PE t-shirt and **one** pair of branded PE shorts.
In addition to the PE kit, all children need to be wearing black pumps — parents/carers will need to provide these.



We are hoping that our supplier will have the uniform items that have been ordered ready for the last week of term.
Please ensure you write your child's name clearly into **ALL** items of school uniform. Please remember to check your child's name is still clearly visible after washing uniform. If these items are lost or misplaced, parents/carers will need to replace these themselves.
Oxford Grove are unable to replace any items of missing uniform.

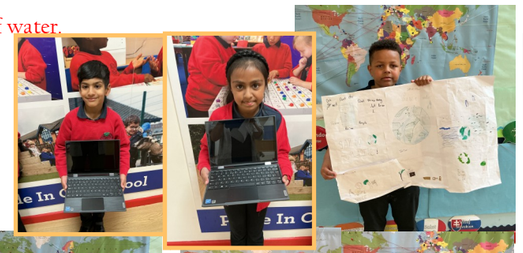


Water Bottles

We will also be providing a FREE branded Oxford Grove water bottle for ALL children.
These FREE water bottles will be given out to all children on the first day of term in September.
Please ensure your child's name is written clearly on the water bottle. Please check that your child's name is still clearly visible after washing the bottle.
If the FREE water bottle is lost or misplaced, parents/carers will need to replace this at a cost of £2.50.
If you would not like your child to have a water bottle, they can access water fountains in school regularly for drinks of water.

Competition Winners!

A huge well done to our Earth Day competition winners!
It was such a hard choice that we ended up choosing a winner from KS1 and a winner from KS2.
Well done to everyone who entered and worked so hard on these beautiful creations!





Family Learning—Digital Skills with Bolton College



Our Family Learning course with Bolton College has been a huge success!

Our tutor has a regular group of adults who she is working with to improve their digital skills and build confidence with technology. Our initial four week course has been so successful that this will now continue for a further five weeks.

Well done to all of our families who are attending and we are glad that this is supporting you.



A Visit From Our MP

On Friday 23rd April, Oxford Grove was very fortunate to receive a visit from our local MP, Kirith Entwsitle.

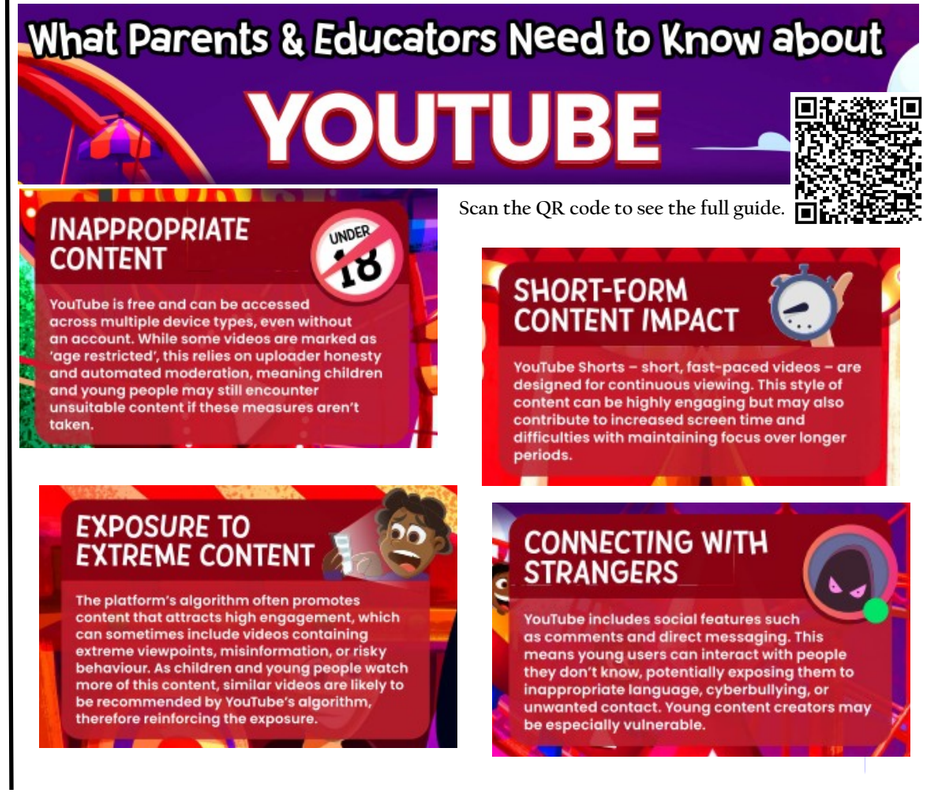
She visited our classrooms to see the high-quality provision that we have in place for our children across the whole school. She also enjoyed time in our excellent music lessons with Mrs Hudson, just one of our specialist music teachers.

She spoke to our School Council, who told her all about our school life and their ambitions for the future.









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