

Dear parents/carers

As the school year comes to an end I would like to thank you all for your continued support. We have had an amazing year with lots of activities, trips, events and celebrations. None of these things would be possible without the support you give to your children and the school.

We hope to have a very exciting year again next year with lots of fun. I am extremely proud to be the head teacher of such a great school serving our very diverse community. Despite the pandemic our children have achieved extremely well in their academic assessments, in fact we are higher than Newham and higher than National which is an amazing feat.

I am very sad to be saying goodbye to our Year 2 children as they move on to Year 3 in their next schools. You will all be missed and I wish you all the very best for the future. Never forget that you were once Odessa pupils and that means that you will always be a part of our community. I am also glad to be welcoming our new reception and nursery children and families to Odessa and I wish you all a very smooth transition into the school.

Have a great summer break and I look forward to welcoming you back in September.

Clare Barber — Head Teacher



Year 2 Camping Visit 2022

We were so pleased to be able to return to Debden campsite with the year 2 children. We camped under the stars, made our own food and toasted marshmallows on the fire. Everybody had a fantastic time climbing trees, exploring the environment and collecting wood. We also sang songs around the fire and enjoyed a story in our tents before bed. We learnt about the best wood to use to start a fire and how to enjoy ourselves without a screen in sight! A great time was had by all!



Camping crew 2022





physical confidence



Imaginative play



Cooking skills



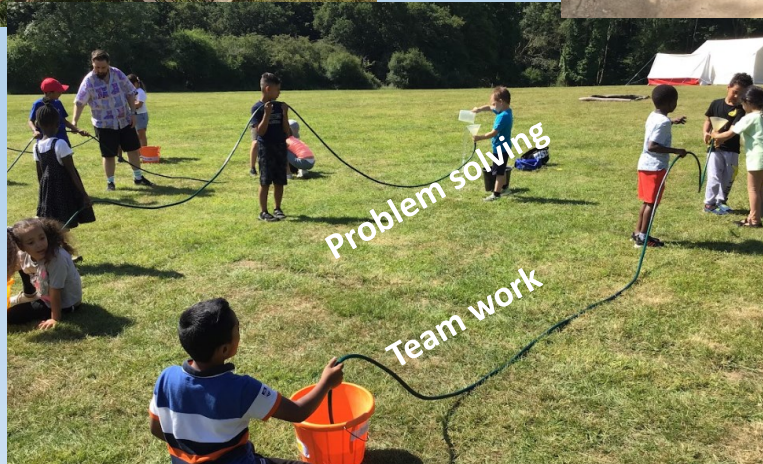
prepping safely



Barbequing at its best



Taking turns



Problem solving

Team work

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

We celebrated the Queen's platinum jubilee in style. The children and staff dressed in red, white and blue plus some came as royalty! We had an alfresco picnic in the sunshine. The children also had the opportunity to burn off some energy on a bouncy castle. It was wonderful to mark this historic occasion.



Jubilee Parent & Carer Jubilee Coffee Morning

We also held a parents & carers coffee morning to also mark the Queen's platinum jubilee. It was lovely to see the community come together. Our Educational Mental Health practitioner also attended and spoke to about transitions in preparation for September and how to support their children in this process.



Summer Educational Visits



Nursery went on a bear hunt in West Ham park! Lots of parents and carers came along to join in the hunt! Happy to say they found the bear after much hunting.



Reception went for a picnic in the park with thier parents and carers. They played on the equipment where they practiced their balancing, climbing and swinging skills. It was lovely to bring our school community together to make use of our local leisure facilities.





Year 1 explored Tumbling Bay in Stratford. The children had the chance to explore the sand, water and climbing areas , which gave them the chance to be physically challenged and enabled lot's of imaginative play!



Year 2 visited Hampstead Heath and walked to the top of parliament hill and took in the views of London. They also went and explored the forest area before heading over to the playground .



Goodbye to Year 2!

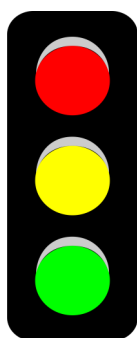


We had a fun packed end of year disco for our year 2 children. There were bubbles, music, dancing & some magic! We would like to wish them all much happiness and success in their next stage of education. They will be missed at Odessa.



Attendance Matters

Let's see which class has the best percentage. The class with the highest receives certificates to celebrate.



Ms Tai class 1	88%
Mrs. La Ronde class 2	84%
Mrs. Harvey (Mrs. Reshma covering) class 5	90%
Ms. Anwar class 6	93%
Mr Mineiro class 4	98%
Mr. Richards class 7	95%
Mrs. Codjoe class 8	89%



Important Dates

- Monday - 5th September - School open for year 2, 1 and nursery
- Wednesday 7th September - Children from Odessa nursery starting in reception
- Monday 12th September - all new reception children start school



Farewell

We will be saying farewell and good luck to Mrs. Harvey (teacher), Sandra (teaching assistant) & Nosheen (teaching assistant). We would like take this time to say a big thank you to them for all their hard work and dedication to the pupils at Odessa.



Sun Safety



We wish all our families a lovely summer. Please keep practising sun safety as the heatwave is set to continue to into next week. It is essential children have sun cream, applied and wear sun hats if going out. Also make sure they are drinking plenty of water to keep hydrated. Try to avoid being in the sun between 12 and 2pm when the sun is at its hottest.

Happy, safe holidays to everyone.

