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#### Dear parents and carers

As we come to the end of another year at Odessa I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for all the support that you give to the school and to your children. Odessa children are certainly children to be proud of. Not just in their excellent academic attainment but also in the kindness and respect that they show to adults and their peers at school and out in the community when they go on trips. I am always so proud of our children and I know that all of the staff are too.

I would like to wish you all a very good summer break and I look forward to seeing you in September. I will of course miss the year two children who are moving on to their new schools but I know that they will always remember their time at Odessa and take the values that they have learnt here onto their new adventures.

Clare Barber

#### Year 2 Leavers Assembly

The children performed friendship and farewell songs to year 1, reception classes and parents/carers to celebrate the end of year 2 at Odessa. The songs were wonderful and the children performed with confidence. It was wonderful to see so many parents and carers come to watch. It was quite an emotional event for all!







# Year 2 Leavers Disco

The year 2 children celebrated the end of year by getting fully engaged with our 'Emoji' disco. They took part in dancing contests, limbo, bubble fun and enjoyed helping the DJ to make it snow! What a fun way to start saying our farewells to our years 2s.



## Summer Farewells





I am sure you will all join us in wishing Mrs. Harrison a very happy and well deserved retirement. She has served our community for over 3 decades and has been a wonderful teacher, mentor and invaluable member of the schools leadership team. We will miss her welcoming smile, but know her new adventure is going to be wonderful!

We would also like to thank Sandra Nyantakyi who has been supporting different children at Odessa for 2 years now. We wish her much success in the future.



# Year 1 visit Tumbling Bay Park

Year 1s visited Tumbling Bay park, they climbed, swang, run and explored the sand area. Much fun was had as well as challenging themselves physically. The visit was ended by a peaceful picnic.









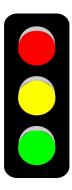
## Sports Day

The children took part in a variety of activities and were super focused while balancing, jumping, running and refining their aiming skills during sports day. The parents also got involved by taking part in races too! Thank you to all who came to support their children. We raised over £400 pounds from families sponsoring their children, this money will be used for enrichment resources for the children of Odessa, so a BIG thank you from us.



### Attendance Matters

All classes need to improve their attendance. We understand that sometimes children may need time off of school if they have something like chicken pox, but a common cold is no reason to keep them home. We need to work together to improve our attendance as a school.



Ms Tai class 1	87%
Mrs. La Ronde class 2	90%
Ms. Anwar class	96%
Mr. Mineiro	100%
Mr. Richards	84%
Mrs. Codjoe class 6	93%



#### **Important Dates**

Monday 17th July - class parties - children to wear their party clothes and bring food contributions: sandwiches, salad, fruit, samosa, crisps - speak to your child's teacher about food ideas. If you are making your own food please note the ingredients. Please avoid foods that contain or may contain nuts.



- Monday 17th will be the last nursery session for children who attend in the afternoon
- Tuesday 18th July last day of school. School will finish at 1.30pm on this day.

#### September 2023

- Monday 4th September Year 1 & 2 back to school
- Wednesday 6th September Children who attended our Odessa nursery to start in Reception
- Thursday 7th September Nursery children back to school and new nursery children to begin
- Monday 11th September Reception children who attended different nurseries to start in Reception