



NEWSLETTER

DATE December 2019

UP COMING DATES

More information to follow for events throughout the spring term.

- Staff INSET 6th Jan – School closed
- School re-opens 7th Jan 2020
- Break up for half term on Fri 14th Feb 2020



A huge thanks to all the children and families who attended the annual Christmas Fair at OPAPH. We had a great turn out and the festive spirit in our wider community was clear for all to see.

OPAPH – Mutual Respect & Tolerance of all

This term, our academy, and wider community, has engaged with multiple charitable initiatives. We raised fantastic amounts for Children In Need, Save the Children (Xmas Jumper Day) and even launched our OPAPH Reverse Advent Calendar to send toys to our local Barnardos.



Being at the heart of our community is vital, so we love supporting St Swithun's Community Centre with their projects. Our children have attended over 55 groups and helped with the Christmas event. Our strong links will continue in to the New Year.

Your **Mental Wellbeing Team**

Mental Wellbeing Lead
Mr McInnara

Do you need to talk?

Mental Wellbeing Ambassador
Mrs Moore

We are always here for you

Mental Wellbeing Ambassador
Mrs Brazier

OUTWOOD mental wellbeing
#HappyHealthySafe

This term, we launched our Mental Health & Well-being strategy to support children staff and the wider community. Look out for these posters around the academy.



OPA Diploma – Keeping Myself & Others Safe

Across the academy, children and staff carried out activities that built awareness of safety. Y3 had a visit from the local Mayor to support their road safety campaign, Y6 were visited by Nuffield Health to work on first aid and Y4 made their own e-safety website. This was all rounded off with a huge celebration assembly to showcase the work of the children.



Festive technology can be a wonderful gift at this time of year, but please read the links below to ensure your child uses it appropriately in 2020.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/advice-giving-technology-gifts-christmas>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/parents-guide-technology>