



OLD TOWN INFANT SCHOOL & NURSERY

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WEEKLY BULLETIN: Friday 10th October 2025

Monday 13 th October 2025	<p>Drama club after school – bookings made via Arbor. <i>Children to be dismissed from the hall.</i></p> <p><i>Tickets on sale for the PTFA Halloween Disco in the back playground after school</i></p>
Tuesday 14 th October 2025	<p>Year 1 P.E day – children to attend school in their P.E kit</p> <p>Football Club after school – bookings made via Arbor. <i>Children to be dismissed from the hall.</i></p>
Wednesday 15 th October 2025	<p>Reception and Year 2 P.E day – children to attend school in their P.E kit</p> <p>Archery Club after school – bookings made via Premier Education. <i>Children to be dismissed from the hall.</i></p> <p>Open Evening - For Reception 2026 intake 1600-1730</p>
Thursday 16 th October 2025	Nursery and Year 2 P.E day – children to attend school in their P.E kit
Friday 17 th October 2025	Reception and Year 1 P.E day – children to attend school in their P.E kit

Spellings for week commencing 13.10.25

Year 1	can, see, fish, frog
Year 2	Group A: night, bright, cried, untied, shine, slide, hour, everybody Group B: river, town, join, fear, chair, pure, by, my

Headlines

- This week our attendance from Monday – Friday is 94.59%. The winning class is Angelfish with 98.47% attendance this week.
- Every two years, Coastal Learning Partnership (CLP) runs a parent survey. This is so that every parent has a chance to share their views about their child's school. It provides each school with really useful information to help them keep improving. It also allows CLP to think about any 'themes' which can be seen across the family of schools. We would be grateful if every parent could complete the online survey for their child's school – just click the link [here](#). The survey is not very long and each question can be answered by a single click (with an option to respond more fully if you wish). Parents can respond anonymously if they would like.

Companies House Number:

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We value the openness which comes with named responses as schools can then respond to specific queries. To encourage as many parents as possible to respond, we will put all named responses into a draw and send a £30 Amazon gift voucher to four lucky winners! I do apologise for those families who recently completed this piece of work for our Ofsted Inspection back in March – however as always, your feedback is greatly appreciated.

- This year we will be supporting Poole Foodbank with our Harvest donations, please could children bring in one non-perishable item (that must be in date) anytime from Monday 20th October until Thursday 23rd October.
- Year 1 and 2 Art Club begins again following the half term break. Here, the children will have the opportunity to complete a range of different arts/crafts activities. Limited spaces are available on a first come, first serve basis and go live this evening at 1700.
- It was great to welcome the team from {my} dentist into school this week. Riaz, Phoebe and Hannah led a whole school assembly, telling the children how to look after their teeth and to remember to brush their teeth regularly.



- Please remember that only assistance and approved therapy dogs are allowed inside school grounds -all other dogs must wait outside or if small enough, can be carried.
- Several years ago, we agreed that as a school, if on children's birthdays, they wanted to give a 'sweet treat' out to other children in their class, this would be managed/arranged by parents/carers. School would not accept or distribute sweets in the classroom. We would instead leave this up to parental discretion. In the past, parents/carers have chosen to give out 'sweet treats' at the end of the school day (in the playground) as the children are dismissed. It is then up to individual families if they want to accept a treat or not – this is not the responsibility of the school. Following a concern raised this week, if you are planning on giving treats out to celebrate birthdays, please can you ensure that you have consent from other parents and also ensure that the treat is in date.
- Please remember that if your child is absent from school to let us know on a daily basis. There are a variety of ways to let us know if your child is absent: (a) via telephoning the school office, (b) by emailing oldtown.absence@coastalpartnership.co.uk , (c) recording a message on our absence line(which can be accessed by telephoning 01202 673966). Please do keep us up to date on a daily basis. We have recently seen an increase in the need to complete welfare checks/visits due to non-contact.

- Can we say a big thanks to parents/carers/Nans who gave up their time on Wednesday morning to assist with the Year 1 Messy Harvest Trip. We had great feedback from the church on how kind and respectful the children were – well done Year 1 😊

Key dates *Please check as new dates/events added*

- Wednesday 15th October 2025 Opening Evening for Reception 2026 intake 1600-1730
- Monday 20th October 2025 Thursday 23rd October 2025 -Harvest donations
- Tuesday 21st October (am) Year 2 to United Reformed Church for Harvest Showcase
- Tuesday 21st October (pm) Harvest Assembly
- Thursday 23rd October 2025 PTFA Halloween Disco (see details overleaf)
- Half Term: Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October 2025.
- Tuesday 4th November BCP Road Crossing Team working with all year groups in school.
- Tuesday 4th November PTFA Fireworks Scavenger Hunt after school
- Oakdale Junior School Open Evening Tuesday 4th November at 1700
- Monday 10th November Angelfish class phonics lesson/parent workshop in the school hall at 0900
- Tuesday 11th November Seahorse class phonics lesson/parent workshop in the school hall at 0900
- Tuesday 18th November Year 1 Parents Phonic meeting/workshop in the school hall at 0900
- Parents Evenings: Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th November 2025
- Friday 21st November 2025 Non-uniform day
- Christmas Fayre: Saturday 29th November 2025. Time TBC
- Wednesday 3rd December 2025 Year 2 visit to The Spire for Christingle workshop
- Monday 8th December 2025 Reception to visit United Reformed Church for Christmas Experience.
- Reception Nativity: Monday 15th December 2025, 0915am
- Year 1 and 2, 'An Old Town Christmas' at St James' Church: Tuesday 16th December 2025
- Trip to Lighthouse Pantomime: Wednesday 17th December 2025
- Visit from Santa: Thursday 18th December 2025
- End of Term at 1315: Friday 19th December 2025 – Nursery is open as normal.
- Health Week: Week commencing 14th April 2026
- Sports Day: Friday 17th April 2026: Nursery and Reception (am), Year 1 and 2 (pm)
- Old Town Community Picnic: Friday 1st May 2026, 1200-1400

Old Town Infant School and Nursery



Open Evening

Wednesday 15th October 2025 from 4pm- 5.30pm
Come and see us – children welcome!



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We look forward to meeting you!



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Halloween Disco Party



WITH DJ PHIL
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ENCOURAGED

**THURSDAY
23RD OCTOBER**

RECEPTION: 3.30-4.30PM

YEARS ONE AND TWO: 4.45-5.45PM

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