



Newsletter Friday 11th October 2024

Goodbye Mr Beeby

We are sad to announce Mr Beeby will be leaving Oughtrington at the end of the month. Mr Beeby has been our Maintenance Office for over 5 years and is a huge part of Team Oughty. We would like to thank him for his dedication to school and we know he will be missed by the school community.

We wish him every happiness for the future.

Harvest

Our Harvest celebrations will be taking place next week and we will be accepting donations for Warrington Foodbank. We will be collecting throughout next week so if you would like to make a donation, please send these into the school office by Friday.

As part of our Harvest Festival, Father Michael will be coming to school on Thursday to deliver assemblies to EYFS, Key Stage 1 and Lower Key Stage 2 on the theme of Harvest.

For Year 5 and Year 6, we invite parents of these children to join us for our celebration at St Peter's Church, on Thursday 17th October, at 1:30pm. The children will be sharing readings, songs and dances with you.

Parking

The staff car park and drive way is for staff use only (this includes before and after school) unless you have a registered Blue Badge or permission from SLT. We have had a number of parents parking in the car park or driveway this week and it is restricting access to the school site and makes it dangerous for pedestrians. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

School Meals

Please see the below information from the Warrington School Meals Department.

Dear Parent/Carer

Please be advised that the cost of a school meal is set to increase from £2.60 to **£2.80** per meal from 28th October 2024. This will result in an overall weekly increase of £1 per child.

This does not affect children accessing Free School Meals. The government continues to support the universal infant Free School Meals (FSM) project and this means that all children from reception, year 1 and year 2 will be provided with a school meal free of charge. Any child in years 3-6 can also have a free school meal if you are in receipt of certain allowances. To find out if you are eligible, please visit: <https://www.warrington.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals>*

The council has been subsidising the service over the last few years to try and keep the cost of a meal down. However, increases in food and staffing costs mean that we unfortunately have no option but to increase the price of a school meal.

The three weekly rolling menu detailing each day's main course and dessert, with the additional daily offer of a vegetarian option and jacket potato will remain in place. The school meals service will continue to provide a high-quality service that delivers healthy, nutritious meals, caters for all allergens and dietary requirements, and is served in a safe environment on our school premises. We will continue to offer theme days, treat lunches and inviting families to join children for special lunches through the year.

*If your child is eligible for means tested free schools meals you could also be eligible for other funded support, such as [Household Support Fund](#) (funding for food and utility bills) and [Holiday Activities and Food](#) (summer holiday free activities and food). There are also other financial support schemes available, which you can find on the council website: warrington.gov.uk/localsupportscheme

Oughty Pumpkin Trail - Tickets are selling fast!

Please join us on Friday 18th October 3.30pm through the forest for Oughty Pumpkin Trail.

There will be games, autumn trail, treasure hunt, photo booth and prizes to be won not to mention that each ticket holder gets to hunt for a pumpkin within the forest. Refreshments will be on sale too in the hall.

So don't miss out on this ticket only event £4.50 per ticket (inc pumpkin). Tickets are available via ParentPay, tickets are selling fast with only a few now remaining.

*accompanying parent/guardian will go free but doesn't include a pumpkin.

*All children entering the trail must have a ticket (you don't need a ticket to visit the stalls and refreshments just the trail)

*tickets are limited depending on amount of pumpkins we can purchase

PTA AGM - Please join us

Here are the details for the upcoming PTA AGM. We hope to see as many of you as possible.

WHEN: *Thursday 24th October at 6pm*

WHERE: *Oughtrington Primary School*

There will be a review 2023/2024 and exciting plans made for 2024/2025.

See you there!

Vacancies

Before & After School Club Play Worker

Before & After School Club Play Worker

Various hours per week. Term time only

Starting Date: ASAP

(£11.98 per hour)

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The Governing Body would like to appoint a caring, enthusiastic and dedicated Before & After School Club Play Worker to help in our wraparound provision, Oughty Owls. Duties will be varied and will involve running play activities; administering first aid; working closely with other school staff; cleaning duties and some administrative tasks. You must enjoy working with primary age children, be self-motivated and possess the ability to provide creative play activities in a safe, caring environment. Recent experience of working with children is required as is a willingness to undertake training related to the role. Applicants must have excellent interpersonal skills, be able to develop effective relationships with pupils, parents and the wider school community and must be highly motivated and committed to providing the highest level of service.

We can offer the successful candidate:

- An extremely welcoming, caring and fully inclusive ethos
- Pupils with exemplary behaviour and positive attitudes to learning
- Supportive staff, parents, governors and trustees

- Excellent professional development opportunities

The post is open to applicants who can provide ideally morning and afternoon cover. However, we are willing to consider just mornings or afternoons, or a combination of the two for the right candidate.

The hours of work will be working term time only, a combination of these sessions could be considered: morning hours will be 7.30am-9.00am; afternoon hours will be 3.00pm-6.00pm.

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. The successful candidate will be required to apply for enhanced disclosure from the Disclosures & Barring Service. Further details can be found at homeoffice.gov.uk/agencies-public-bodies/dbs/

If you are interested in applying, please download an application form from the school's website and return it to Mrs Proud in the school office via email.

More information about our school and Oughty Owls can be found on our website, the address is www.oughtringtoncps.co.uk

Email Address to return the application form to is: oughtrington.admin@thebeamtrust.co.uk

Closing Date: 12pm 4th November 2024

Shortlisting: 5th November 2024

Interviews: 6th November 2024

Maintenance Officer

Permanent Maintenance Officer

Required for Autumn 2024

Grade 5 SCP 8 – 14

£25, 030 - £27,329

37 hours per week on a split shift

Mon/Tue/Wed/Fri 7am – 10.30am + 2.45pm – 6.15pm

Thursday 7am – 9.15am + 2.45pm – 9.30pm

The children, staff and Governors are seeking to appoint a Maintenance Officer to join our friendly team working in a busy school environment.

Applicants need to have well developed inter-personal skills and be capable of responding flexibly to day-to-day pressures, demonstrating personal initiative, motivation and commitment. We are looking for a hard-working, cheerful person who will be proud to maintain our school and grounds to a very high

standard of cleanliness and safety. The ability to complete routine maintenance and the flexibility to deliver these hours over a split shift is essential. The successful candidate will also need to demonstrate a professional attitude and be capable of working accurately, showing attention to detail. Other essential skills include being empathetic, able to work as part of a successful team and having a sense of humour. Annual leave to be discussed.

The job is based in a Primary School with approximately 385 pupils on roll. The role is integral to the safe and efficient running of the school and its surrounding facilities. It is a full-time position at 37 hours/week, requiring the post holder to work their hours both during term time and in school holidays. The average working day will be on a split shift with occasional additional hours to be worked and claimed separately.

Oughtrington Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children and staff and expects all adults to share this commitment. Enhanced DBS clearance will be required. Further information about the Disclosure Scheme can be found on homeoffice.gov.uk/agencies-public-bodies/dbs. Visits to school are warmly welcomed and encouraged. If you wish to make an appointment to have a look around school, please telephone the office on 01925 752086.

Application forms and details are available on the School's website (www.oughtringtoncps.co.uk). All completed forms should be returned to school for the attention of Mrs Proud either via the school office or email to oughtrington.admin@thebeamtrust.co.uk and marked 'Private & Confidential'.

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Job Sharing: This post is not available for job sharing

Pumpkin Picking

AT PRIMROSE THIS OCTOBER

BIGGER PUMPKIN PATCH - HALLOWEEN TRAIL
 CARVE AND PAINT YOUR PUMPKINS
 CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT - PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES
 CAFÉ - TOILETS AND CAR PARK

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