



# Oakfields Newsletter



Oakfields Montessori School

Dear Parents,

Winter Wonderland returns! This has been an amazing week; I am very thankful to all the children, parents and staff who have ensured that a challenging week has resulted in a show of true Oakfields' community spirit – coffee mornings, World Book Day, Indoor athletic events and happy children – what more could a Head teacher ask for!

It is always my intention to deliver outstanding teaching and learning – whatever the weather! However, we could not have done this without the help of our parents who kindly provided a packed lunch to ensure their children had the energy needed for learning in the snow! The pipes located in the school hall have been frozen for two days meaning that, due to health and safety, we were unable to prepare or serve food. Thank you to Mrs Clarke (Sophie's Mum in Year 6), and her team at The Sandwich Shop, Hornchurch, our children enjoyed a class picnic and many happy memories were formed as a result. Without this help we would not have been able to remain open.

Our week began with our Year 3 coffee morning. The hall was packed and it was such a pleasure to have the opportunity to speak with so many parents. This was followed by the Year 4 coffee morning on Tuesday; on both occasions the children were so pleased to have their parents in class; observing the teaching and learning that we are all so proud of. Thank you for your support with these events.

Communication is often mentioned as an area we need to improve upon and it is something that we will continue to work on throughout the year. Opportunities, such as the coffee mornings, where we can meet to discuss initiatives and learning are so important. We will endeavour to build on these positive interactions and look forward to future events.

Kindest regards,  
**Mrs Katrina Carroll, Headteacher**

## Theme of The Week

This week as a school we have been discussing eating a healthy and balanced diet.



## HEAD TEACHERS AWARDS

|           |                               |
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| Year 6    | Emma Friis                    |
| Year 5    | Roshan Panear                 |
| Year 4    | Jake Rochford and Daniel East |
| Year 3    | Neave Cable and Zoey Akinwumi |
| Year 2    | Halimah Pampam                |
| Year 1    | Deniz Gillbert                |
| Reception | Demi Cole                     |



Well done to everyone on your achievements.



## Sporting Events

Dear Parents,

I am delighted to inform you that some of our Year 1 and Year 2 pupils, participated in an indoor sports hall athletics competition at Harrow Lodge Park sports centre on Tuesday 27th February against 10 other schools.

All the children took part in a range of sporting activities, these included: jumping, throwing and relay races.

Our Year 1 girls' and boys' relay teams both won their heats and our year 2 relay teams came runners up. All the pupils tried extremely hard and did Oakfields Montessori school very proud displaying their enthusiasm, motivation and good behaviour at all times.

The overall results will be sent to the school by next week. A big thank you to all the staff that helped and congratulations to all of the children that took part.

Unfortunately our Rugby festival was postponed due to the poor weather conditions but luckily the organisers have moved this event to Wednesday 14th March. On the same day the Year 5 & 6 mixed netball team will be playing the second round of the netball cup against Gidea Park. We wish them all the very best of luck !

Additionally, we will be taking part in the Abbs Cross Academy swimming gala on Wednesday 7th March with Miss Mercury. Good luck to all of our 6 swimmers representing Oakfields Montessori.

Finally, our Year 5 and 6 girls' netball team are travelling to Bancrofts Prep for their yearly rally on Wednesday 7th March. This will be the first time our school has entered this event and we have no doubt that they will perform to their very best and have a thoroughly enjoyable day.

Have a great weekend but drive safely!

Kind regards,  
Miss C Peacham  
Head of PE

## Future fixtures:

Wed 7th March - Swimming gala at Abbs Cross - 6 pupils from Juniors

Wed 7th March - Bancrofts netball rally for year 6 girls

Friday 9th March - New Hall netball rally for year 5 girls.

Wednesday 14th March – Rugby Festival

Wednesday 14th March – Second Round of Netball Cup

Friday 16th March - New Hall netball rally for year 4 girls

Mon 19th March - 23rd - Sports Relief Week - whole school



## What's been happening this week !



### In Year ILK

Year 1 have been practising safe cutting and chopping skills in their Design & Technology lessons. They have been learning methods like 'The Bridge' and 'The Claw' grip to cut soft Play-Doh in a safe way.

**Miss Kitt**

### In Year 3NT

In Year 3, Design & Technology teaches the children, through a variety of creative and practical activities how to use a range of tools and equipment. They also will learn how to apply their understanding to strengthen and reinforce more complex structures. With these in mind Year 3 are combining History and D&T to build a model Roman catapult. The children have, so far, measured the wood and sawed the pieces to the required lengths. In the coming weeks the wooden pieces will be glued together and strengthened. We look forward to showing you the finished models at the end of term.

**Mr Trussler**



**Other News**  
**World Book 2018**  
**Winners**

- Kindergarten -- Alexander and Annabelle Coughlan**
- Reception -- Madison Hammersley**
- Year 1 – Zara Gill**
- Year 2-- Georgie and Frankie Watt**
- Year 3 -- Gabriel Olubanjoko**
- Year 4 – Freya Gill**
- Year 5 -- George Greenhalgh**
- Year 6 -- Atifah Pampam**





## Thank You

Finally, I want thank all the students, parents and teachers for joining in the fun on world book day. I was very impressed with the effort from the parents and saw many scary lions, magical wizards and Alice in Wonderlands walking around the school.

As always, please send in any out of school achievements so that they can be recognised in this newsletter.