



## MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

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Dear Parents and Guardians

It has been wonderful to welcome so many of you to our year group coffee mornings this week. I thank you for taking the time to attend. The coffee mornings are a very valuable opportunity for you to meet other parents, keep informed on current topics and most importantly observe your child in their classroom.

As a staff we recognise the value of parental engagement and the important role that you, our parents, and we as teachers play in developing our children's positive attitudes towards education whilst fostering their enjoyment of learning. We know that the culture of our school is imperative to Oakfields success.

It is clear that when our children have a positive feeling towards their life as an Oakfields learner, they tend to achieve better. With your support we are continuing to strengthen our sense of community, shared aspirations for each child while working together to realise their full potential in both academics and extracurricular endeavours.

I would like to personally thank our Year 6 children for their very professional explanations regarding school life during our open morning on Thursday. All prospective parents commented on them being happy, keen to learn and great ambassadors for the school.

Enjoy your weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday.

Kind Regards

Mrs Carroll  
Headteacher

# Celebrating Success

## HEAD TEACHERS AWARDS

- Year 6 - All of Year 6
- Year 5MB - Harry H and Rhiannon D
- Year 5UN - Olivia F
- Year 4CB - Alifia M
- Year 4JM - Charlie H
- Year 3 - All of Year 3
- Year 2 - Mia G
- Year 1 - Emerald F
- RJW - Dillan J
- RNC - Tate R



## WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

- Y1 - 98.3%
- Y2 - 99.3%
- Y3 - 97.8%
- 4JM - 98.1%
- 4CB - 99.1%
- 5UN - 95.5%
- 5MB - 94.4%
- Y6 - 95.8%

## HOUSE POINTS

- 1st: Chestnut 630
- 2nd: Beech 589
- 3rd: Elm 515
- 4th: Oak 461

# Year Group Highlights

## KINDERGARTEN

The children were very excited to hear the wonderful news about the royal baby. They remembered Prince Harry and Megan from their wedding and couldn't believe they had a baby. To celebrate the arrival of Archie Harrison Mountbatten Windsor, the children made crowns and pretended to be part of the royal family for the day. The children had to follow lots of instructions and share resources with their friends. Well done everyone!



## YEAR 4

On Wednesday, Year 4 had a wonderful day at Rainham Marshes. We began the day feeling rather nervous that we would all get washed away in the rain but thankfully the program was adjusted for us and we all managed to stay dry! We began our day in a classroom looking in trays for mini beasts. At first we thought there were only worms but as we became more patient we were amazed to discover millipedes, centipedes, beetles and many more creatures right beneath our fingertips. We had to look carefully at the living things to identify what they were on our classification key and explain to each other what we knew about them.

After lunch we ventured outside to marvel at the amazing bird life on the marshes. It was amazing to learn how the cows and birds live in harmony together with the cows keeping the grass short enough for the birds to take flight but leaving longer areas for them to build their nests and to hide.

By the end of the day our minds were full of exciting facts about the amazing creatures that are all around us and how important it is for us to protect their natural habitat.

# Year Group Highlights

## YEAR 6

Over the Easter holidays, Abigail T and Emily I worked very hard over several days on an application for the 'Girls Who Change The World' competition sponsored by IBM and Marvel, aimed at getting 11-14 year old girls into STEM.



The competition required them to come up with an idea to use Artificial Intelligence to make the world a better place, by recognising a problem and coming up with a clear and innovative solution using AI to help with it.

After an incredibly enthusiastic Sunday afternoon brainstorming session covering all manner of crazy ideas, they narrowed it down to something for the world of education and submitted it just before they returned to school.

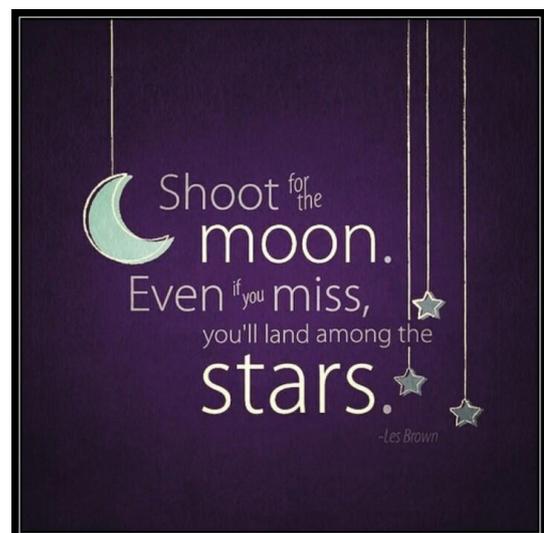
The girls have now been notified that out of nearly 200 applications received, the judges from IBM, Disney (Marvel) and STEM Learning have decided their idea is good enough to have their team included in the ten finalist teams!



Abby and Emily will be attending an Education Day where they will work with AI specialists to develop their prototype. After this, there will be a final day on Thursday 4th July, where the winning team will be announced. The winners will receive a whole host of exciting prizes and have their AI concept put forward to IBM to move from prototype into development.

Best of luck to Abigail and Emily in the competition, you have already come so far and have made us all very proud!

*(See a short video of Emily and Abby sharing their big news on our Twitter and Facebook pages)*



## SPORTS UPDATES

**Golden Mile Club** - Unfortunately due to the extreme weather this week it had to be cancelled hopefully I can run it next Wednesday lunchtime at 12.45pm. It is open to any pupil (Years 1 - 6) who wish to improve their stamina and run, jog or walk for 15 minutes.

**Year 6 Boys Cricket Tournament** - Wednesday 22nd May - 9.30 - 3.30pm - Rainham Cricket club - Parents welcome to watch!

**Sports Day** is on Friday 14th June -  
Infants (Kindergarten/Reception/Year 1 & 2) -  
10am -  
Juniors (Years 3 to 6) - 1.30 - 4pm  
This is a house event where pupils perform 'their best' to score points for their house. All pupils will receive a medal to recognise their efforts. Sports Day records will be recorded for Years 1 to 6.

**Junior Inter House Swimming Gala** is on Wednesday 10th July Years 3 - 6. Parents will need to collect their child from Coopers Coborn at 3.30pm but have to park on side roads, walk and collect them from the pool area. Parents are not allowed in the school car park.

**Quad Kids Events** - These are run by The Havering Sports Collective at Hornchurch Athletics Stadium. Quad kids event involves 4 athletics disciplines : A Sprint / Long Distance Sprint / Standing Long Jump and throwing (mega howler/ nerf).

All pupils are currently being trialed during PE lessons for these activities, unfortunately only 4 girls and 4 boys from each year group can represent Oakfields at these events. Therefore, I need to take the strongest teams out to the events. I would welcome parents support and assistance with the training and preparation of this by doing additional running, throwing and jumping at weekends which will also improve your child's performance at The Annual School Sports Day where school records can be achieved. If your child receives a letter to represent our school please keep the following morning free to come and watch.

Years 5 & 6 - Thursday 6th June

Years 3 & 4 - Tuesday 18th June

Years 1 & 2 - Thursday 27th June

**Wanderers Netball Club at Coopers Coborn School** - Wednesdays Years 3 & 4 - 5.30 - 6.30  
Years 5 & 6 - 6.30 - 7.30pm

Please contact Patricia Massam -  
patriciamassam@hotmail.co.uk if you wish your child to join this club

**Many Thanks,**

**Miss Peacham**  
**Head of PE**

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## UPCOMING SPORTS FIXTURES

- Monday 20th May - Years 5 & 6 Tennis  
Tournament at Cranston Park  
Tennis Courts
- Wednesday 22nd May - Years 5 & 6 Boys Cricket  
Tournament at Rainham Cricket Club

# Student Achievements

Gabrielle S in Year 5 has been awarded her Grade 1 Piano certificate. She passed with distinction!

Well done Gabrielle!



Isabel F and Olivia F in Year 5 competed in a durathalon and 3k races this past weekend. They both put in great effort which paid off as they won medals for 1st and 2nd places in their races!

Well done girls!



We would love to hear more about the activities in which our students are involved.  
Send your information to [office@oakfieldsschool.co.uk](mailto:office@oakfieldsschool.co.uk)

Parents for the safety of our children please be mindful of the 5 mph speed limit whilst driving through the car park.

Thank you!

## PTA SUMMER BALL

There has been a great response so far but there is still time for you to get the last few remaining tickets!

Please don't be put off from coming to the event if you haven't attended before, or perhaps only one parent is free to attend that evening. We will be putting tables together to ensure everyone is welcome and has a great night with other Oakfield's parents, friends and family.

If you have any questions about the event, or would like to secure one of the last few remaining tickets speak with your class PTA rep and we look forward to seeing you there for yet another fantastic evening.



OAKFIELDS PTA PRESENTS

£65 PER PERSON

# THE Summer Ball

Friday 14th June 2019 7PM

The Manor Hotel & Restaurant  
Berwick Pond Road, Rainham, RM13 9EL

*'Join fellow parents raising monies for our children, having great fun and dance the night away'*

**Night Includes**

- Delicious 3 Course Meal with Wine, Beer & Soft Drinks
- An Auction with many Prizes and Experiences to Bid for
- A DJ after Dinner

**Guest Comedian Ben Norris**

*'unbelievably brilliant'*  
★★★★★ Jason Manford

*'Hilarious - truly a sight to behold'*  
★★★★★ Ed Byrne

This event is open to **parents, family, and friends!**

**Dress Code**  
black tie or lounge suits

Full payment no later than **Friday 10th May 2019**

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT  
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## Oakfields Montessori School PTA Presents

### Summer Fayre

Sat. 29th June, 12 to 4 pm

Food and Drink

Raffle

Bouncy Castles

Apple Bobbing

Coconut Shy

Prize Stall

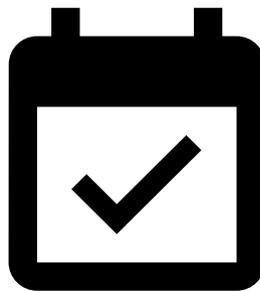
And much, much more ...



# Upcoming Events

## Dates for your Diary

- Monday 13th May - Year 3 Coffee Morning
- Tuesday 14th May - Class Photos
- Wednesday 15th May - Year 4 Coffee Morning
- Thursday 16th May - Year 5 Coffee Morning
- Friday 17th May - Kindergarten Coffee Morning/  
Reception Trip to Langdon
- Monday 20th May - Year 6 Coffee Morning
- Wednesday 22nd - Friday 24th May - Year 5  
BUSHCRAFT TRIP
- Monday 27th - Friday 31st May - HALF TERM  
HOLIDAY
- Friday 14th June - SPORTS DAY/PTA SUMMER BALL
- Thursday 20th June - Year 5 SHOWTIME at  
Brentwood Theatre
- Saturday 29th June - Summer Fayre
- Saturday 6th July - Prize Giving
- Friday 12th July - Kindergarten Graduation/LAST  
DAY OF TERM



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## Recent Social Media Post



**Oakfields Montessori School** @... 1h

Our reception garden has been taken over with superheroes and princesses. #CognitaWay



## Senior School Open Days

Brentwood School will be holding its annual Open Morning on Saturday 8th June 2019 and this will also be a chance to meet Headmaster Designate, Mr Michael Bond. This is the perfect opportunity for prospective parents and future Year 7 students to explore the school and learn more about applying for scholarships and bursaries. Tours of the Senior School campus will be held at 9:30a.m. and 10:30a.m. and Mr Bond will be addressing parents at 10:30a.m. and 11:30a.m. in the Wessex Auditorium. Parents can register online at [www.brentwoodschool.co.uk/open-morning](http://www.brentwoodschool.co.uk/open-morning)

An independent day school for  
girls and boys age 2 - 16 years



**St John's**  
School Billericay

Looking for a Senior School place for September 2020?  
Visit us on our next Open Day

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019 | 10am to 1pm**



96% of pupils achieved 5 or more A\* to C / 9 to 4 grade  
GCSEs in 2018

Join us for our Open Day to explore the exciting opportunities and small class sizes available to your child and to discuss admission details including the scholarship opportunities available for Year 7 entry.



Sign up for our Year 5 Senior School Taster Day  
1<sup>st</sup> July 2019

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