



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Friends of Oakfields

As always Oakfields has enjoyed a very busy and productive week; we are very happy to have opened two new rooms for our children to enjoy!

Firstly, our well-being room is now open for drop-in sessions 3 days a week and children have already been making the most of this. It has been lovely to see so many of them taking the opportunity to chat with members of staff, play games with their friends, draw or colour in, all of which we hope will help reiterate the message that we at Oakfields truly want to listen to our children and ensure that they are happy and well looked after whilst at school.

Secondly - the library! I am pleased to announce that it is now open to all classes. It has been wonderful to see the teachers and children making the most of this fabulous new resource. I would personally like to thank Miss Brewster for giving up her weekends to ensure the quality and organisation of books are appropriate for our children. The library is now a bright, fresh space that reflects the children's requests when questioned within our student representative conversations - I really hope they are all as excited as I am to begin using this special place.

As educators we are very aware that today's children will need to be good readers and lifelong learners who can gather, evaluate, and use information to create new knowledge. It is our hope that our beautiful, sparkling new library will help our teachers to support with the learning of these skills

The National Literacy Trust has reported:
Our school libraries research review shows that school libraries have a positive impact on all areas of pupils' learning, including the development of reading and writing skills, their wellbeing and overall academic attainment ...school libraries also contribute to the development of a reading for pleasure culture. Let's all get reading!

Best wishes for an enjoyable weekend.

Mrs Carroll
Headteacher

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HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

- Year 6T - Whole class
- Year 6W - Tomiwa F
- Year 5S - Ileri A
- Year 5B - Gabriel O
- Year 4 - Jay O
- Year 3 - Ranvir M
- Year 2 - Rajveer N
- Year 1G - Imisi A
- Year 1N - Peter N
- Rec Holmes- Gabriella O & Anaya P
- Rec Stubbs - George - Lawrence E



HOUSE POINTS:

- 1st - Elm - 371
- 2nd - Beech - 329
- 3rd - Chestnut - 267
- 4th - Oak - 258

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE:

- Year 6T - 92.9%
- Year 6W - 100%
- Year 5S - 98.8%
- Year 5B - 96%
- Year 4 - 98.9%
- Year 3 - 100%
- Year 2 - 98%
- Year 1G - 95%
- Year 1N - 100%

Reception Reading Award Winners!



Year Group Highlights

RECEPTION

Reception enjoyed taking part in a virtual reality workshop. They knew lots of facts about the planets already and recognised many of the planets they were seeing. Reception wowed Mr Dan as they knew the names of the planets and their order from the sun. The children blasted off into space and explored all the planets in the solar system. As they explored each planet they learnt new facts about them.

These are some of the facts the children remembered:

- Mercury has no moons and takes 80 days to orbit the sun.
- Venus has over 1000 moons and is the hottest planet.
- Mars is red in colour and has 2 moons shaped like potatoes.
- Jupiter has 79 moons, is a gas giant and is the biggest planet in the solar system.
- Saturn has a ring of ice and dust and over 150 moons.
- Uranus is the coldest planet in the solar system.
- Neptune has many storms.



YEAR 2

The Land of Spells

This week we have been learning about instructions. We used our knowledge to write clear instructions for others to follow.

To inspire the children's writing we made a potion at the beginning of the lesson.

Can the children remember the ingredients?

The practical task engaged the children and furthered their understanding of imperative verbs.



TEAMS RESULTS FOR ISA CROSS COUNTRY

On Thursday 23rd January our Year 5 & 6 MIXED NETBALL TEAM attended the first round of the Havering Sports Collective netball league at Noak Hill Sports Complex.

Our first match was against Hylands Primary School where we played a 3 x 7 minute game. The first third was really tough with the score at 2-2 but in the 2nd third we scored 2 more goals and in our last third the final score was 5-2. So we were delighted with the start.

In our second match we played St Peters School where we started off much stronger at 6 -1 and we were delighted that the final score was 12-1!

We are now through to the next round of the mixed netball league as well as the mixed netball cup and the boys football cup.

Congratulations to all of our hard working, committed and dedicated pupils!

Thank you parents for all your support and help with transport and cheering our teams on!

Kind regards

Miss C Peacham
Head of PE



UPCOMING FIXTURES

- Wed 29th Jan – The I.S.A girls netball rally at Alleyn Court School
- Wed 29th Jan – Years 1 / 2 Indoor Sportshall Athletics at Hornchurch Sports Centre

ENRICHMENT CLUB HIGHLIGHT

Spanish Club had a great start this past few weeks. I popped into say hola and they were learning their colours and please and thank yous and using them in conversational Spanish! Well done Year 1s!



Student Achievements

Isabel F was awarded 1st place in the Essex Roads Go-Ride Racing competition. Well done Isabel!



Joshua B has achieved the MARKCUP award for his violin at the Stratford & East London Music Festival. Well done Joshua!



Gabriel O worked studiously and got a distinction with a score of 92% in his Grade 1 Music Theory exam! Well done Gabriel!



Well done to Amirlan and Sharon for achieving their pen licenses!



ONLINE SAFETY



The annual Voice of the Parent “Deep Dive” survey launched on Tuesday 14th January and will remain open for 3 weeks.

Your views are important to us so please take the time to complete the survey if you have not done so already.

Thank you.

SCHOOL COATS

Can I please remind you that all children must be wearing the school coat (available for purchase from Bespoke Schoolwear).

Please ensure that your child wears the agreed school coat to school each morning. I have asked teachers to ensure children are wearing their coats home each evening. I hope this will avoid coats going missing, ensure children are warm and dry for journeys home whilst also representing our school in a manner which we can all be proud of.

I thank you for your ongoing support with our uniform expectations



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Upcoming Events



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JANUARY

- MONDAY 27TH - English Presentation for parents (K2, Rec, Y1) 6 - 7pm

FEBRUARY

- MONDAY 3RD - English Presentation for parents (Years 2-6) 6 - 7pm
- TUESDAY 4TH - Year 1 coffee morning 9am
- WEDNESDAY 5TH - Year 2 coffee morning 9am/Young Voices
- THURSDAY 6TH - Year 3 coffee morning 9am
- MONDAY 10TH - Year 4 coffee morning 9am
- TUESDAY 11TH - Year 5 coffee morning 9am
- WEDNESDAY 12TH - Year 6 coffee morning 9am/Reception Stay and Play 2:15 - 3pm
- THURSDAY 13TH - Kindergarten Stay and Play 2 - 2:45pm
- 17TH - 21ST - **HALF TERM HOLIDAY**
- THURSDAY 27TH - Reception Transition Presentation (Current K2 parents) 9 - 9:45am

MARCH

- MONDAY 2ND - Secondary School National Offer Date
- TUESDAY 3RD - Reception trip to Discovery Centre/PTA MEETING
- THURSDAY 5TH - World Book Day
- THURSDAY 12TH - Year 5 trip to British Museum
- WEDNESDAY 18TH - Year 1 trip to Colchester Zoo
- TUESDAY 24TH - Parents Evening 4-7pm
- WEDNESDAY 25TH - Year 6 Houses of Parliament Trip
- THURSDAY 26TH - PTA Easter Egg Hunt/Parents Evening 4-7pm
- MONDAY 30TH - Year 4 Destination School Meetings
- TUESDAY 31ST - Year 4 Destination School Meetings

APRIL

- WEDNESDAY 1ST - MONDAY 20TH - **EASTER HOLIDAYS**
- TUESDAY 21ST - CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL

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