

# OAKFIELDS WEEKLY

*Weekly Newsletter of Oakfields Online Learning Experience*



*A lovely message from Year 3*

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- *Highlights of Online Learning Kinder/Year 2/ P.E./Music*
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# MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, I want to thank each of you for taking the time to complete the parent survey; your comments mean a great deal to both me and the staff. We will be analysing the data over the weekend and providing you with an overview in the coming week. The Senior Leadership Team and I have been reviewing the comments as they have been coming in and reflecting on them in our conversations regarding online learning and the future opening of our school. We must learn from this pandemic and as a result reflect on how we teach, support each other and ensure the very best educational outcomes and pastoral support for the children in our care.

I am sure many of you watched the Prime Minister's address to the nation on Sunday evening and have since read the subsequent details about the plans to re-open schools. This news was as new to us as it was to you and we have since had four subsequent amendments to the original guidance. The most recent update, which contained some changes, was published at 7pm last night. The Early Years reopening guidance is yet to be published however we have been told to expect this shortly.

However, since the government announced its intention to re-open on the 1st June 2020, at the earliest if the scientific evidence allows, we have been putting plans in place. These plans may have to alter slightly once we receive the Early Years guidance but at present, we feel confident that a phased approach to reopening is possible whilst adhering to the government guidance.

To assist with our planning, if you have a child in Kindergarten, Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 we will be sending you a survey to ascertain the numbers of children returning to school. This survey will be sent to parents on Monday alongside information to support our decision. However much I would love to see all our children back to school, we must follow the guidance with phased year group returns. This is to ensure that we keep everyone safe which is without any doubt the most important aspect of our planning.

I wish you all a lovely weekend in the sunshine.

Mrs Carroll

# HEAD TEACHERS AWARD

- Kindergarten - **Mansimran L** for taking her time and really thinking about her work. Taking pride in what she does and continuing to work really hard at home. **Renée O** - for working hard and completing all the activities set for online learning.
- Reception - **Christian O** for working very hard in all of his online lessons and for making huge progress with his writing. Well done.  
**Jack S** for working very hard and for showing great enthusiasm in his learning. Keep up the good work!  
**Yaqub B** for being enthusiastic about all of his lessons and being inquisitive about his learning that he has thought of his own activities to complete linked to his learning. Good boy Yaqub, keep up the hard work.
- Year 1 - **Kiara R** for working incredibly hard and completing her tasks independently. Kiara's self-confidence has grown so much and it is fantastic to see her confidently sharing her ideas during our whole class live calls. You should feel so proud of yourself Kiara. Well done!
- Year 2 - **Scarlett E** for always being a positive and kind member of the class. Scarlett is always ready to learn and has engaged with all aspects of online learning. This week she has worked particularly hard in English to produce a fantastic story. It was an absolute pleasure to read. Great work Scarlett.
- Year 3 - **Ranvir M** - for being an exceptional learner and always going above and beyond to further extend his knowledge and understanding. Ranvir I am continuously excited to see the outstanding progress you make on a daily basis. Never stop being your curious and inquisitive self!
- Year 4 - **Maddie P** for her continuous participation, determination and fantastic effort in all subjects. Maddie has gone above and beyond in all pieces of her work and she has continued to impress me, keep it up Maddie!
- Year 5 - **Maria T**. Maria has impressed me with her continued efforts across all subjects. Maria ensures she takes her tasks one step further to reach her full potential and persists in every task she is given. Maria has been working tremendously hard on her RE, where she was asked to draw a temple, she really showed off her creative side with her beautiful drawings.
- Year 6 - **Dara A** for her consistently high standard of work submitted online.

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM KINDERGARTEN

BY MRS MURPHY

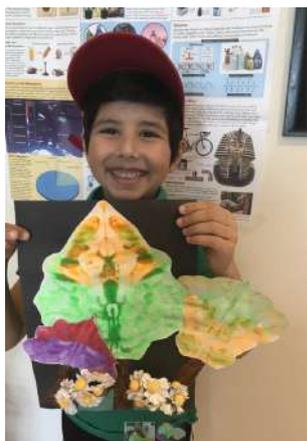
The Kindergarten children have worked their socks off during our online learning journey. The photos and videos I see uploaded onto Tapestry really do make my day. Keep up the fantastic learning at home and working hard for mummy and daddy!



# HIGHLIGHTS FROM YEAR 2

BY MISS EMIN

In Art this week the children were tasked to create a tree collage picture using materials from their house. Here are some lovely collage art work from Alexander, Kayhan, Scarlett, Demi, Sia, Aurelia and Isabella.



## HOME GAMES FUN!

Click below to watch some fab highlights of the children getting ready for our upcoming Cognita Home Games event!

## HIGHLIGHTS FROM P.E.



# HIGHLIGHTS FROM ONLINE MUSIC LESSONS

BY MISS MENDHAM

It has been wonderful to be able to continue offering music lessons to the children virtually. I was very pleased to meet everyone's parents and to have their support in the lessons. It's great that I can show them how to help their child throughout the week. It's lovely to see everyone keeping their spirits up. Keep up the great work!



## Book of Hopes: Words and Pictures to Comfort, Inspire and Entertain Children in Lockdown

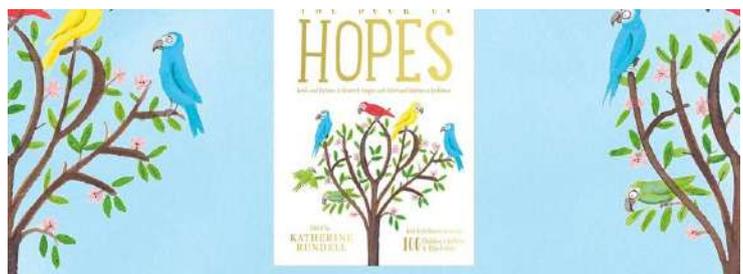
Completely free for all children and families, the extraordinary collection of short stories, poems, essays and pictures has contributions from more than 110 children's writers and illustrators, including Lauren Child, Anthony Horowitz, Greg James and Chris Smith, Michael Morpurgo, Liz Pichon, Axel Scheffler, Francesca Simon and Jacqueline Wilson.

The Book of Hopes aims to comfort, inspire and encourage children during lockdown through delight, new ideas, ridiculous jokes and heroic tales. There are true accounts of cats and hares and plastic-devouring caterpillars; there are doodles and flowers; revolting poems and beautiful poems; and there are stories of space travel and new shoes and dragons.

The collection, published by Bloomsbury, is dedicated to the doctors, nurses, carers, porters, cleaners and everyone currently working in hospitals.

*Click below to read*

Miss Gowing  
Head of English

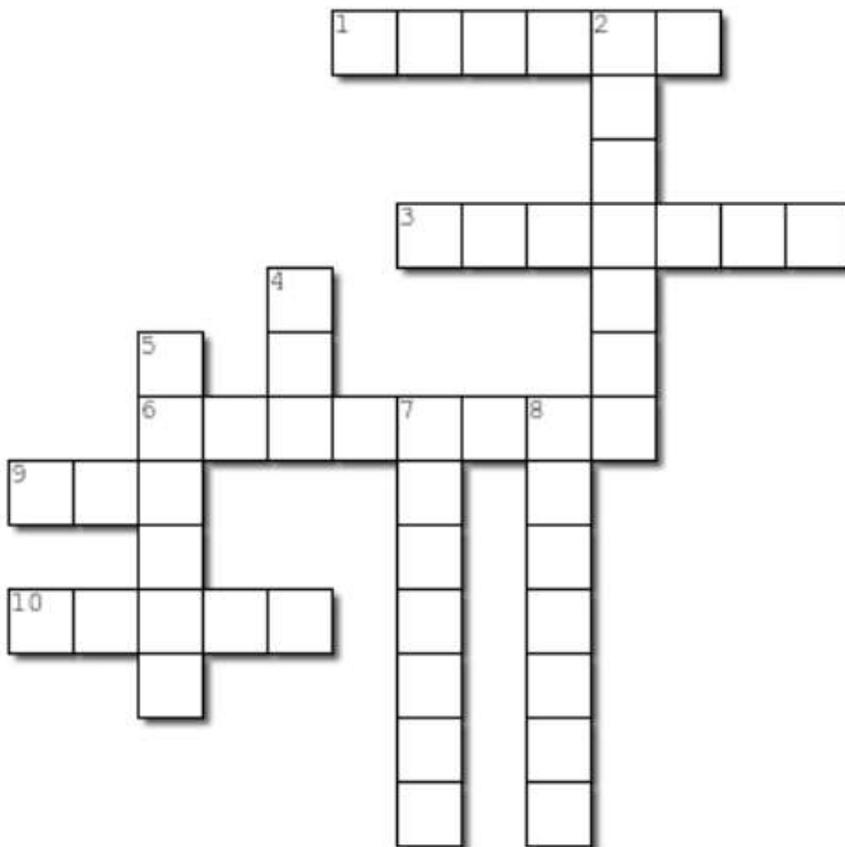


# WEEKEND FUN



## Bring on the Home Games!

Complete the crossword puzzle below



### Across

1. What team is Oakfields representing?
3. Make sure you \_\_\_\_\_ before you begin.
6. What big event is our Home Games based off of?
9. Make sure you have \_\_\_\_\_ while participating!
10. In what position is the body is held in a straight line from heels to shoulders.

### Down

2. Who can join in on the fun with the children?
4. What month is the Home Games taking place in?
5. What day of the week is the opening ceremony?
7. Surname of your fab P.E. Teacher training you for the events?
8. What is the missing title word ' \_\_\_\_\_ Home Games'?

# LOOKING AHEAD



HALF TERM HOLIDAY  
25th - 29th May



18 - 22nd May

The inaugural 'Cognita Home Games' is a series of fun fitness and skills challenges to join in with at home.



FELSTED Admission Process for Year 7 2021  
Entry:

Full details of the Admissions Process and key dates are now available on their 11+ Admissions Page

- **Registration Deadline: Tuesday 1 September 2020**
- **Application Pack Deadline: Friday 16 October 2020**
- **Entrance Assessments: Saturday 28 November 2020**
- **Places offered: by Friday 18 December 2020**
- **Scholarship & Award Assessments: 14-19 January 2021**

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**"Monday Music Live"**

with Mrs Wiltshire

*This live music session is for anyone in Years 3 to 6. We will explore vocal warm ups, practice singing assembly songs and learn new songs from films and the charts.*

*Please refer to school comms if your child is interested in joining.*

**Date and Time:**  
Mondays 3:30 - 4:00pm

