



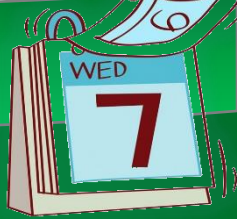
Oakley Infant School



Newsletter
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Strive, thrive and achieve together



Dear Parents,

Thank you to Friends for organising Movie Night for the children last week. A huge Thank You to the volunteers who gave up their time to shop for the event and assist the children during the event, it is very much appreciated by the community.

Please note that all event bookings should be made via Arbor so that the registers are correct. This allows us to ensure the correct children are at events and to ensure that allergies etc can be checked by staff before the event. Safeguarding the children is the most important thing and I can only fulfil that duty properly when the correct process is followed. It may sound difficult but for future events there will be no exceptions once the deadline has passed. We give plenty of notice on the newsletter which is why it is so important that you book in plenty of time.

This is a pre-warning that the next big event will be the Christmas Fair and you will not want to disappoint your child by missing the deadline for Santa's Grotto, tickets will be on sale soon.

Please remember that this Friday is an INSET day and the children will not be in school, unless they are using the Active Me cover. The first half of the autumn term will finish at the normal time of 3.15pm on Thursday 23 October.

This week it is Parents' Evening. Please come in through the **Office entrance** to make your way down to the classroom. While After School Club is running I ask that you walk around the Hall, through Year R, to get to the Year 1 classrooms.

Niamh Hutchings Headteacher

INSET Days 2025-2026

24 Oct 2025

5 Jan 2026

13 Feb 2026

26 June 2026

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Rotary Donations

Thank you for all the donations for the Rotary boxes. The boxes have been put together and together we managed to make 30 boxes and they are ready to be dispatched. Each box requires a £2 donation, if you would like to make a donation to go on each box, please drop the donation off to the Office.

Thank you.

Bake Off

Congratulations to the winners for their bake off entrants, Bodhi – spookiest treat, William – most creative and Lydia – future star baker. Thank you to everyone who took part and contributed to the bake sale. There will be plates/bags of cakes available to buy after school today in the school hall. If you contributed cakes please collect your containers.

ABM Pumpkin Competition

Our new caterers want to see your pumpkin creations. Over half term if you are carving pumpkins for Halloween please send a photo to their special email address on the poster which has gone out with this newsletter. There is a prize for the winning entrant.



Reading

Harvey Bear was won by Hazel Class this week so Year 1 are smashing it so far this term. Have a look to see how your child's class did this week.

Sycamore	Hazel	Cherry	Apple	Holly	Willow
57%	67%	37%	52%	66%	64%

Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be available after school from today 21st October to Thursday 23rd October! The fair will run in the school hall after school each day. It will also be open during Parents' Evening on Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd October.

This is a fantastic opportunity to stock up on books your children will love – and every purchase helps support our school! A portion of all sales goes towards buying new books for our school library.

Bookmark Design Competition

Congratulations to Adam and Poppy in Year 2, Darcy and Henry in Year 1, Ruby and Elsie in Year R who were the winners of the Bookmark Competition. They have all received a book voucher.

School Nurse Drop In – 5th November

The school nurse will be holding a drop in session on Wednesday 5th November in room 2 from 9am. Poster on the next slide.



Health Advice Clinic in school

Come along and have a chat
with a Community Nursery Nurse
from the School Nurse team on:

Date: **Wednesday 5th November 2025**

Time: **9am**

Location: **Room 2 (in between Hazel and Sycamore
Class)**

This is a free advice clinic.

They can provide advice and sign posting for toileting,
sleep, behaviour, eating and healthy lifestyles for all
children.

There is no need to book an appointment. Please just
turn up and someone will talk to you!

Photos

Don't forget to order your photos so that they are delivered in plenty of
time for Christmas gifts.



Job at St Leonard's Pre School

St Leonard's are currently looking to recruit a new member of staff to join
their team.

If you're interested or know someone who might be, please see the
attached advert for more details.

Remembrance Poppies

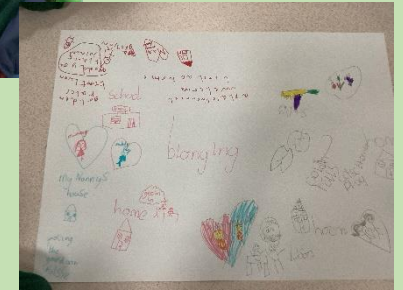
Poppies are now available to purchase from the school office. Please see
separate email for further details.

Reading round up

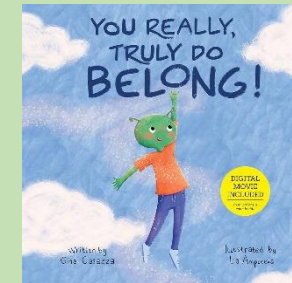
Mrs Mears has produced this term's Reading Round Up which is being
sent out with the newsletter today. Please take a read.



EARA Equality and Rights Advocates



Oakley Infant School EARA advocates attended their first meeting at Manor Field Junior School on Wednesday 15th October. The meeting was aimed at understanding 'Belonging' and the children shared different ways that they belong at school and in the community. We had a story called 'You Really Truly Do Belong' by Gina Casazza. We know that 'It is OK to be different' and that is what makes everyone special and unique! We also told everyone about our Rights Respecting Animals and sang our Oakley Rights Rap.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXCi_p_AQdk



On Thursday 16th October, the EARA children had another busy morning. We had been invited as guest speakers to attend a conference at Wildern Secondary School in Hedge End. We were asked to share how we begin our rights-respecting journey at Oakley, and the children put on another brilliant presentation in front of many children and adults.

We are very proud of our children for doing such a wonderful job representing our school. Great job Oakley!



Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
20-23 October	YR Bikeability
21 October	Book Fair in school- sale after school
21 and 23 October	Parents' Evening- please see your child's teacher if you have not booked an appointment
24 October	INSET Day- Active Me available for childcare
27-31 October	Half Term
3 November	Start of new half term
5 November	School Nurse Drop in (Room 2, 9am)
28 November	Non-school uniform day- in exchange for chocolates and bottles
28 November	Christmas Fair with Santa's Grotto
4 December	Friends Wreath Making- details to follow
10 December	Christmas Performance- 10am and 2pm Cast A at 10am- Holly, Hazel and Cherry Cast B at 2pm- Willow, Sycamore and Apple
11 December	Christmas Performance- 10am and 2pm Cast A at 10am- Willow, Sycamore and Apple Cast B at 2pm- Holly, Hazel and Cherry
16 December	Christmas Jumper Day and Children's Christmas Shopping
17 December	Children's Christmas Treat from Friends