



Oakley Infant School



Newsletter

Summer Term: Issue 7

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Strive, thrive and achieve together



Dear Parents,

This week our assembly focus is on being healthy, we started the week thinking about healthy eating yesterday and tomorrow our school nurse will be in for a session on handwashing. Finally we are welcoming Bright Bites, who will be sharing information with the children about oral hygiene.

The children's class photos were taken at school this morning. We will share the photographer's links when we have them, for you to be able to purchase a photo if you would like one.

Last week we had two school trips, Year R went to Wellington Country Park and Year 1 went to Hillier gardens. The children had a brilliant time on both of these trips despite the not so great weather. A big Thank You to all the parent helpers who accompanied us on these trips. Trips cannot go ahead unless we have enough adults to help so we are always very grateful for the help.

Thank you for all the donations and helpers for the Bags 2 School collection – £215.40 was raised to share between both schools.

On Friday 4 July we will have a Non-School Uniform Day-in exchange for chocolates and bottles, this is for the Summer fundraising event "OAK-FEST" (poster attached) on 5 July. Tickets are now on sale and can be bought through the link on the poster. Raffle tickets went home with your child yesterday for the summer raffle. Please buy or sell to family any tickets you can and return the stubs and money to the school office. Any books you cannot sell please return to school so that they can be redistributed.

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INSET Days 2024-2025
27 June 2025

INSET Days 2025-2026
3 Sept 2025
24 Oct 2025
5 Jan 2026
13 Feb 2026
26 June 2026

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Article 28
A right to an education.



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Reading- Summer Term 2- A message from Mrs Hutchings

As we enter the final six weeks of the school year, I would like to take this opportunity to emphasise the importance of maintaining your child's reading habits in the lead-up to the summer break. Sustaining this momentum will support continued progress and help prevent learning loss over the holiday period.

Reading is a key infant skill that enables children to develop their vocabulary, imagination and confidence. Studies show that children who read regularly perform better academically, develop stronger communication skills, and cultivate a lifelong love of knowledge. As parents, you play a crucial role in fostering a reading-friendly environment at home. Encouraging daily reading, discussing stories together, and setting an example by reading yourself can make a significant difference. Whether it's books, magazines, or even interactive stories online, every reading experience helps build comprehension and confidence.

Although we do ask you to read at least 4 times a week with your child (don't forget to sign the reading diary) we recommend that this is no longer than 10 minutes on each occasion, short bursts are more successful for young children.

I've included the reading ribbon below to help you see where your child is currently reading and to give a clear picture of the expectations for their year group. This can support you in encouraging their continued progress as they move toward the next stage of their reading journey.

To be on track for the next year group:

- Year R children should be reading Yellow band books
- Year 1 children should be reading Orange band books
- Year 2 children should be reading Gold band books



Thank you for your continued support

This week Maple Class were the reading champions. Since February half term Maple Class have won 50% of the time.

Apple	Cherry	Sycamore	Maple	Hazel	Willow
66%	50%	65%	74%	50%	54%

Date	Activity
10 June	Class Photos
27 June	INSET Day- school closed to children
1 July	SEPIA fundraiser – details to follow
4 July	Non-School Uniform Day-in exchange for chocs and bottles
5 July	OAK-FEST
8 July	Rock Pool School- Year R treat funded by Friends
14 July	Pirate Workshop - Year 1 treat funded by Friends
18 July	Year 2 Leaver's Assembly at 10am- all parents welcome for assembly and to stay for tea afterwards
21 July	Year 2 treat funded by Friends
22 July	Last day of term
23 July – 2 September	Summer Holidays
3 September	INSET Day- school closed to children

Year 2 reminders

The Year 2 children will be making fruit salads. On Tuesday 17 June please can the children bring up to 3 individual pieces of fruit to enhance the selection and make it more personal.

As part of our preparations for the Year 2 Leavers Assembly, we are asking each child to bring to school a costume of what they would like to be when they are older. This could be anything from a firefighter, teacher or vet- the possibilities are endless! Please bring in your costume by Friday 4 July.

Friends Sponsored Read – May half term

Last call for any sponsored reading forms and any money raised to be returned to school by Thursday 12 June.

New Parents-September 2025

A huge thank you to the parents who joined us last week for the information evening. Later this week there will be a separate email with the links we talked about and even more information attached. These are mostly things that you can peruse at your leisure.

Active Me 360

Please see the Summer flyer from Active Me 360 about their Summer holiday camps.

Included with the Newsletter

Summer Event Poster – OAK-FEST
Active Me 360 Summer flyer

To Do

Return reading sponsorship form
Read with your child and write in their diary