



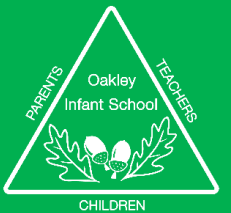
Oakley Infant School



Newsletter

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13 May 2025



Strive, thrive and achieve together



Dear Parents,

A very warm welcome to our new parents and families who will be joining us from September 2025 and will be included on the newsletter from here onwards. It was great to see so many of you at the pre-school library meeting last week and we look forward to seeing you in school visiting the library over the next few weeks.

In yesterday's assembly we introduced the school theme of Safe and Sound for the next fortnight. It is an opportunity to discuss being safe in a variety of contexts. Yesterday we reintroduced Buddy the NSPCC speech bubble who encourages children to speak out and stay safe. We reminded the children about their safe adults and who they should go to if they are worried about something.

We had a busy week last week with YR participating in bikeability. All the children learnt about how to be safe when cycling. They learnt about wearing their helmets and checking they fit well, checking their tyres and brakes before using their bike and then worked on having good control of their bike with good balance by playing lots of fun games. We also celebrated VE day, the children had a great time and enjoyed getting their ration cards stamped for a biscuit, making decorations and a lovely picnic on the field, see the last slide for some photos from the day.

This week we have sports day on Friday, please see the next slide for further details.

Jennie Clarke
Deputy Headteacher



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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A right to an education.



Sports Day – Friday 16 May

With sports day being on Friday afternoon this week there will be no celebration assembly. Sports day will start at 1:30pm on the school field. Children will be able to go home once the event finishes, this may be before 3:15pm. The children will come home in their PE kits, please return these to school on Monday 19 May.

Please ensure that children's **PE kits** are in school; green PE shorts, white PE t-shirt, socks and trainers. The weather is looking sunny for Friday, please ensure your children have a **sun hat** and a **water bottle** in school.

Walk to School Week- 19-23 May 2025

The final week of term is Walk to School Week. During this week we encourage everyone to make a big effort to walk to school. If you usually drive please think about parking further away so that your child gets to walk further. Perhaps you could try Park and Stride. The children will share each walk in the classroom culminating in a certificate.

There is a Big Walk planned for 23 May starting in Kennet Way park, please join us on Friday 23 May at 8:30am.

Reading

A reminder that the expectation is that children should read little and often. We expect the children to read 4 times a week at home and for the adult to sign the reading diary.

Well done to Sycamore class who won Harvey Bear last week.

Apple	Cherry	Sycamore	Maple	Hazel	Willow
80%	70%	81%	76%	64%	56%

Peter Houseman Recreation Ground

We have been asked to share a reminder from the council that the track up past Peter Houseman Recreation Ground is a footpath and not a road. The road ends at the gates of Peter Houseman and no vehicles should go further than this.

Included with the Newsletter

Walk to School Week

To Do

Read with your child

Trip forms for all year groups

Trip deadline

Please remember to complete the school trip consent form, select your child's lunch option, and make the payment via Arbor by Wednesday 14 May. This will allow us to update the kitchen with lunch orders in time.

Census – Thursday 15 May

As part of the school census taking place on Thursday 15 May, we have swapped the lunch menus for Wednesday and Thursday this week. An email with full details was sent out this morning. Children will not need to pre-order lunch on Thursday, but please remind your child of the lunch choices for that day to help them prepare.

Water bottles

Please ensure your child has their water bottle at school everyday. Water bottles should have **water** in only. This prevents sticky spills and avoids allergy risks from flavoured drinks. Thank you.

Safety fortnight

This is a good opportunity to remind parents about e-safety. While we do discuss the subject in school often, young children still need to be supervised to ensure they are not watching inappropriate content for example on You Tube which is very easy to do as it skips through content. Please remember that games and content have age limits for a reason and not keeping track of your child's usage is exposing them to dangers and strangers you would not expose them to in real life. We are always surprised at some things children in our school had been watching on You Tube but more so at children who have unsupervised access with devices in their bedrooms. Please take this opportunity to review how your child is using the internet ensuring it is used for the great things it can provide.

Date	Activity	Date	Activity
12 May	Safety Fortnight- visitors in school to talk to the children- Network rail, PCSO etc..	10 June	Class Photos
13 May	Year 2 trip to Sea City- details to follow	27 June	INSET Day- school closed to children
16 May	Sports Afternoon- parents welcome from 1.30pm- children can go home when the event finishes, may be before 3.15pm (no celebration assembly)	1 July	SEPIA fundraiser – details to follow
19 May	Walk to School Week	5 July	Friends Summer event
19 May	Mini First Aid – Year 1 and 2 – funded by Friends	8 July	Rock Pool School- Year R treat funded by Friends
20 May	Alternative Sports Day- parents welcome from 1.30pm- children can go home when the event finishes, may be before 3.15pm	14 July	Pirate Workshop - Year 1 treat funded by Friends
23 May	Big Walk (walk to school week) – 8:30am from Kennet Way Park	18 July	Year 2 Leaver’s Assembly at 10am- all parents welcome for assembly and to stay for tea afterwards
26- 30 May	Half term	21 July	Year 2 treat funded by Friends
3 June	Year R trip to Wellington Country Park- details to follow	22 July	Last day of term
4 June	Year 1 trip to Hillier Gardens- details to follow	23 July – 2 September	Summer Holidays
6 June	School Disco	3 September	INSET Day- school closed to children

