

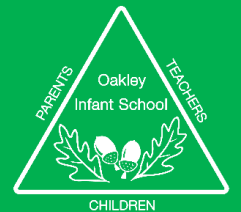
Oakley Infant School



Newsletter

Spring Term: Issue 12

1 April 2025



Strive, thrive and achieve together

Dear Parents,

The last day of term is this Friday, 4 April, and school ends at the normal time of 3.15pm. It is **non-school uniform day** in exchange for a £1 donation to Friends. Don't forget Celebration Assembly is after drop off this week and we will celebrate any out of school achievements and the birthdays from this week and over the holidays up to 22 April. School returns on Tuesday 23 April when the summer term starts.

We are really looking forward to the Easter Egg Hunt on Thursday, please see the next page for details about the afternoon.

The photo on the front of the newsletter is of our newest school members, many of you will have spotted them when walking past the pond. For the first time ever our school pond has it's own ducks! The ducks turned up 2 weeks ago and seem to be very happy in our pond.

With sadness we are saying goodbye to Mrs Holland and Miss Lambert on Friday 4 April. Miss Lambert has been supporting the children at school for 3 years and is moving onto a new role outside of education. Mrs Holland is retiring, having worked at Oakley Infant School for the last 9 years. We are wishing her well as she starts her new chapter.

Jennie Clarke
Deputy Headteacher

Easter Egg Hunt- 3 April
Non-Uniform Day- 4 April

Easter Holidays- 7 – 21 April 2025
Summer term starts 22 April 2025

Year R People Who Help Us Day- 30 April

VE Day- 8 May

Sports Day- 16 May

Reserve Sports Day- 20 May

INSET Days 2024-2025
27 June 2025



Article 28
A right to an education.



Easter Egg Hunt – 3 April after school



The Easter Egg Hunt will start at 4pm, giving time for the last bits to be set up. You will see cones along the edge of the field this is a reminder to not go on the field until the Easter Egg Hunt begins. Due to a lack of volunteers this year the only stalls available will be refreshments.

Tickets will go home with the children on Thursday. When children come out of school please attach the ticket to your child's coat or jumper with a safety pin.

If your child is entering the Easter bonnet competition please bring it at the end of the day on Thursday, unfortunately we do not have space in school to store all of the bonnets.

GOL after school club

For the summer term GOL football club is open to all children, including Year R. It runs on a Friday evening until 4.30pm. Please follow the link to register your child and then pay for their space on Arbor. <https://forms.office.com/e/t3ZG7LNquj>

If your child is currently taking part in the club **please re-enrol them for the summer term, it is not automatic.**

Reading

Well done **Cherry Class** who won Harvey Bear this week!



Apple	Cherry	Sycamore	Maple	Hazel	Willow
59%	83%	64%	61%	59%	59%

Active Me 360

Active Me 360 provide wrap around care at the Infant School for children from both the infants and juniors. Breakfast club runs from 7:30-8:45 and after school club runs from 3:15-6:00pm. To make a booking please use this link <https://bookings.activeme360.co.uk>

Active Me are also offering an Easter holiday camp in the second week of the Easter holidays, 14 April – 17 April at . To make a booking please use this link <https://bookings.activeme360.co.uk/project/65368>

Year 1 and 2 spellings

Please see the separate email shared today about spellings for the Summer term.

Included with the Newsletter

New Menu
Reading Round Up

To Do

Read with your child
Check school uniform labels

Naming Clothes

The PE kits will come home this week. Please take this opportunity to check that names are still in all the items and that they still fit.

Please also check school uniform is named and belongs to your child, jumpers and cardigans do seem to be the main ones that get mixed up.

Year R – People who help us day

As part of Year R's "Everyday Heroes" topic next half term we are having a "People Who Help Us" day on Wednesday 30 April. For this we ask for the children to come to school dressed up as a person that helps us, this can be anything from doctor to builder, chef to firefighter, or anything the children would like to do. We will be learning about how all jobs are important and that all of these help us in different ways.

Dates

30 April – Year R People Who Help Us day

8 May – VE Day 80th Anniversary – come to school wearing red, white and blue

16 May – Sports Day (afternoon)

20 May – Sports Day (reserve date)

Lunches

If your child is late arriving at school or has an appointment in the morning, then they will need to bring a packed lunch to school that day as the dinners are made to order.

New Menu

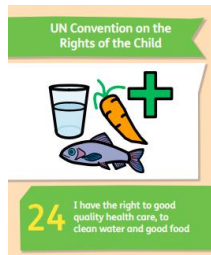
After Easter Hampshire Education Caterers will be launching their new menu. (Attached to this newsletter). Please remember to talk to your child about their choices each morning so they can make a confident choice each day.

Packed Lunches

A reminder about lunch boxes. There is to be no nuts in lunchboxes due to allergies in school. This includes Nutella/hazelnut spreads in sandwiches.

Reading Round Up

Please find this term's Reading Round Up from Mrs Mears with all the book news attached to this newsletter.



Oakley Infant School has been supporting and fund-raising for the ‘Supporting Educational Projects in Africa’ (SEPIA) charity for several years. Michael Clarke is the founder of this amazing charity and he visits our school annually to talk to us about their current projects. Each year, we work together to fundraise for this great cause. On Monday, Michael visited the children to talk to them about how our past contributions has helped to purchase several water drums to provide clean water for hand washing, paying for every child in the school to have a free school meal for the whole term, play equipment and a water pump for the village. The most recent project has been to replace a school roof and replacement of furniture and exercise books lost due to storm damage.



Watch this space ..

We are very excited that plans are already in place for the summer fund raising and we hope that once again, with your support, that we can contribute to this very worthy cause.

