

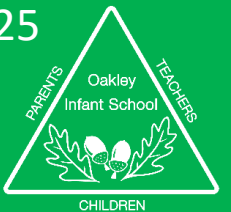


# Oakley Infant School



## Newsletter

Spring Term: Issue 2  
14 January 2025



Strive, thrive and achieve together



Dear Parents,

It is with sadness that I inform you that this Friday will be Mrs Sayers last day in the school office at Oakley Infant School. I am sure you will join me in wishing her luck as she starts a new role in a secondary school, we will miss her friendly and helpful attitude. A huge Thank You for everything you have done at Oakley ,our loss is most definitely their gain.

We did recruit for the role before Christmas and Emily Lockley will be joining us in February. In the meantime there will generally only be one member of staff in the office so I would urge you to use the Parent Messages email for absence reporting, inform the class teacher of changes to collection or try to make sure these are reported before 2.45pm to allow us to get messages to the classrooms before the gates need to be opened and please make a huge effort to get to school on time. There will not be enough staff to show children to classrooms as it will leave the office unsupervised. If you arrive at school and find the office unmanned please be patient, someone will deal with you as soon as they are free.

If your child would like to attend the School Disco on Friday evening you must purchase a ticket via Arbor by tomorrow night. So that I can ensure the registers are correct for Friends there will be no exceptions. Instructions for the Disco are on the next slide.

**Niamh Hutchings**  
**Headteacher**



**INSET Days 2024-2025**

14 Feb 2025

27 June 2025

**Half Term- 17-21 February 2025**

**Easter Holidays- 7-21 April 2025**

**Summer Term starts 22 April 2025**

**Article 28**

**A right to an education.**

## Disco- 17 January 2025

Tickets are still available via Arbor until tomorrow night, please make sure you have purchased as there will be no exceptions.

**A School Disco is not for everyone, it is not compulsory to attend. If your child usually does not like loud noise or busy places this is not the event for them and you will be called to collect them soon after the Disco has started.**

- Children enter via the School Office door. They will be checked in on the register when they arrive.
- Please take your child's coat away with you on drop off
- Collect your child by entering via the Year 1/Cherry entrance. We will open the door when we are ready. (Bring their coat back.)
- Please collect your child from the hall.
- Exit via the Year 2 door; every child must walk past me so that I can ensure they have been collected by an adult that I recognise.
- Please let the class teacher know if you are sharing drop offs and collections.

When you leave the school site the children for Disco 2 will be waiting at the Office, please do not try to enter to collect your child this way.

After all the children are in for the second session the Office entrance will be locked again and will not be opened again.

## NSPCC Number Day- 31 January 2025

We will be celebrating the NSPCC Number Day on 31 January 2025, a bit earlier than the national day due to an exciting event provided by Friends.

This is your advance warning that the children will be dressing up in anything with a number theme.

Please see the NSPCC letter sent home last week with the newsletter.

## Space Day- Year 2

This term the Year 2 children are learning about the moon landings and their topic will culminate in a dressing up day for Space Day on 13 February 2025. Again this is your advance warning to start thinking about what your child may wish to wear.

## Poppy Appeal

Last week the British Legion informed us that we collected £214.81 for the Poppy Appeal in November. They were delighted with our efforts. Thank you for your support.

### Included with the Newsletter

Disco poster

SEND support morning poster

## Spring Term Census- 16 January 2025

Don't forget your child has already ordered their dinner choice for this Thursday as it is Census Day. The meal choices will be pizza or bubble salmon.

## School Drive

Please remember that no parents should be coming up the school drive, the area is often busy with pedestrian traffic. If you are using wraparound care please use the car park at the bottom of the school drive, the staff car park is not to be used after 8am.

## Reading

Well done to Year 1 who are smashing the reading at home targets, an excellent effort, please keep it up. Well done to Sycamore Class who are the first winners of 2025. Apple, Willow and Hazel have a way to go to close the gap.

W/C	Apple	Cherry	Sycamore	Maple	Willow	Hazel
6.1.25	52%	70%	77%	72%	52%	56%

## Admissions 2025

The closing date for admissions for September 2025 is tomorrow 15 January.

If your child is 4 between 1 September 2024 and 31 August 2025 they will need a school place for next September and an application must be made by midnight tomorrow on the Hampshire website. Please remind your friends and neighbours as applications made after tomorrow night are considered late and will be considered after all the on time applications. Even if you are in catchment you may lose your space if it is late.

Applications for Year 3 should also be made for all the Year 2 children for next September 2025. Please do not miss the deadline.

## Parents' Evening- 11 and 13 February 2025

This half term we will hold the second Parents' Evening. Appointments will open tomorrow at 6pm and can be booked via Arbor.

Please log on to book an appointment convenient for you.

## FREE Excel for Beginners course

This course is designed to help adults learn the basics of Excel, a powerful tool that can simplify their lives, boost productivity, and help them stay organised. Please see the attached poster for details.

## Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
16 January	School Census Day
17 January	School Disco
31 January	NSPCC Number Day
11 and 13 February	Parents' Evening- appointments will follow via Arbor
13 February	Year 2 Space Day
14 February	INSET Day
17-21 February	Half Term