



Oakley Infant School



Newsletter

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Strive, thrive and achieve together



INSET Days 2025-2026
26 June 2026

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A right to an education.



Dear Parents,

The weather is looking good for this week so I am hopeful that we will be getting the most out of our lovely school grounds. Please can I remind you that weather is quite changeable at this time of year and morning play can be cold. I would be grateful if you can make sure your child has a coat in school so that we are all prepared for morning play.

This term the Year R children are thinking about People Who Help Us. As part of their topic they will be dressing up on 28 April as something they would like to be when they grow up. We are also looking for parents to come and talk to the children about the job they do. Please complete the form so that we can book you in at a convenient time.

If your child has a place for Year R in September 2026 please do not forget you need to bring in ID for your address and your child's date of birth in order to accept your place; for Year R the place has to be accepted and you have until 30 April. If the place is not accepted it will be offered to someone on the waiting list. Please remind friends and neighbours who have children starting school to come into school with their ID between 9.30am-4pm.

Niamh Hutchings
Headteacher

W/C	13.4.2026
Apple	55%
Cherry	41%
Sycamore	66%
Hazel	57%
Holly	68%
Willow	62%

Reading at Home

Congratulations to Holly Class who were the reading winners last week!

School Trips

This half term both Year R and Year 2 will be going on their school trips. Please make sure you have been onto Arbor to make your payment and given permission and a lunch choice by completing the form that was sent to you last week.

Thank you.

School Library

Unfortunately the library will not be open after school on Thursday 23 April. It will be open as normal next week.

Bookbag Keyrings

I would be very grateful if you can take a look at the keyrings on your child's bookbag, we are finding that children have lots and it is causing a storage problem at school. Please make sure that they select one keyring to help them to identify their bookbag.

GOL Football Club

It was lovely to see so many enthusiastic Year R footballers joining GOL last Friday but as I helped the children to organise their belongings I was reminded of a useful tip for ALL the children.

School uniform takes up more space than a football kit so please think about the kit bag you send into school. It needs to be larger than the kit it is holding. This reduces the chances of things falling out when they make the transfer from the school to the field.

I would also like to commend parents from last week as the few items that were left behind were all named and made their way back to the owners yesterday. I think that is the first time that has EVER happened.

Nearly New Uniform

There is plenty of nearly new summer uniform available at very reasonable prices. If you would like to purchase some summer uniform please ask the Office for contact details.

Earrings

If your child is wearing earrings at school please be mindful of the type of earrings. We are seeing earrings which are quite dangly or jagged which I always feel worried about them being caught when the children are playing, particularly outside. Please make sure they are studs or small hoops.

2026 is the National Year of Reading

On **Wednesday 29th April** we look forward to our next Book café. Please arrive at your child's classroom door at 2.45pm, where you will be asked to sign in. Younger siblings are welcome to attend but we ask that no pushchairs are brought into the school please.

We also look forward to learning about Jonny Duddle in our **Author focus** morning next Friday. In preparation for this, you may want to share some of his books at home:



Henry's Hills

I am sharing a fundraising event taking place in a few weeks over the first May bank holiday. This fundraiser has been organised by an Oakley family who have been involved with the school for many years now.

Please take a look and support them if you can.

If you would like more information, please do not hesitate to reach out and ask the school, we will happily put you in touch with the fundraising group

www.justgiving.com/page/hh79

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HENRY'S HILLS

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A 3-DAY TEAM ULTRA-HIKE FOR DUCHENNE UK

HH79 is a 79-mile team challenge from Inkpen to Hayling Island, symbolising the 79 exons of the dystrophin gene. Henry's gene is incomplete, causing Duchenne muscular dystrophy. By completing all 79 miles together, we aim to raise vital funds for Duchenne UK and support their mission to find a breakthrough therapy.

THE CHALLENGE:

DAY 1 - SAT 2 MAY Wayfarers Walk Part 1		DAY 2 - SUN 3 MAY Wayfarers Walk Part 2		DAY 3 - MON 4 MAY Hayling Island Family Hike
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GET INVOLVED:
Register your interest: By contacting the Saul's
Donate here: www.justgiving.com/page/hh79

HENRY'S HILLS IS A FAMILY FUND FOR Duchenne UK

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Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
28 April	YR- People Who Help Us Dress Up day
29 April	Book Café
4 May	May Bank Holiday- school closed
7 May	Pre-school Library meeting- new YR parents
11 May	Safety Fortnight- visitors to join us in school over the fortnight
12 May	YR Trip to Wellington Country Park
14 May	Y2 Trip to Sea City Museum
19 May	Sports Day
22 May	Last Day of Term
25-29 May	Half Term
24 June	Y1 Trip to Hillier Gardens
26 June	INSET Day