



Oakwood Academy Newsletter

"Living, learning and thriving"

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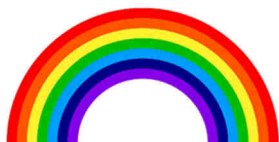
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2nd July 2021



Diversity Week

We had a wonderful day celebrating Diversity Week. The children looked spectacular in their vibrant, rainbow-coloured clothes!

During the day, the children took part in a range of activities, such as art, discussions, music and dance; demonstrating their understanding, acceptance and compassion throughout these tasks.



As of this week North Plymouth foodbank are resuming their normal opening times i.e. Tuesdays 10:00-12:00 and Fridays 13:30-16:00. They will be open on Friday 2nd July.

Attendance For Week Ending 25th June 2021

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%.

Well done to Puffin KS1 and Skylark KS2 for the highest attendance!



Robin	98.0%
Owl	96.1%
Wren	99.6%
Dove	97.5%
Puffin	100.0%
Jay	94.7%
Starling	93.8%
Skylark	99.5%
Goldcrest	97.9%
Osprey	97.7%
Kestrel	97.2%
Peregrine	98.7%

Celebration Shout Out!

We like to celebrate the achievements of our children. Please email the school with your child's special moments. We would love to share them with everyone through our newsletter!



World Music Day - Monday 21st June.

World Music Day is a wonderful celebration of music and is celebrated each year by more than 120 countries around the world. As part of 'Music and Diversity' Week, the children learned about different genres of music and listened to traditional music from other countries and cultures. Within our classes, the children then had the opportunity to engage in lots of great musical activities. The children listened to, learned, and performed a range of different songs and dances during the course of the week.



Photo - Robin and Owl classes performing Che Che Koolay, a traditional 'call and respond' song from Ghana.



Photo - Wren class perform Down by the Bay

Devonport Park Activities Centre trip

A few of our children had the opportunity to visit the Devonport Park Activity Centre. They explored dinosaurs, hunted for fossils, and made their own exploding volcano. The children also enjoyed finding out about and making dinosaur poo! There was a great outdoor space where children had the opportunity to explore and pick their own raspberries for snack. We ended our session with lunch around the fire pit. We are looking forward to our next visit already!



Covid Reminders

No child should come to school if they, **or anyone they live with**, has symptoms of Covid-19. These are:

- A new persistent cough
- A high temperature
- A change in their normal sense of taste or smell.

Please ensure that you contact the school **immediately** to inform us if your child or a member of your household becomes unwell and requires a Covid-19 PCR test at a test centre, or if you are advised to self-isolate or have outcome of tests. Please leave a message on the school answerphone if this is before or after school hours. Children who are required to isolate at home can continue to work using their eSchools account.

Please remember that if you use the 30 minute Lateral Flow Tests for you and your family and have a positive result—you **must go on to get a PCR test at a test centre**. If positive please make sure that you inform us at school promptly. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

Reporting absences for children

Please contact the school by 9:15am to let us know if your child will be absent, providing details of the reason for the absence. This ongoing communication will enable us to ensure that we continue to keep children safe and follow all necessary government guidelines. We appreciate your continued assistance.

Social Distancing Reminders

- Please remember only one adult when dropping off or picking up your child, which helps to reduce the number of adults on the premises.
- Wear a mask or face covering when on the school grounds (unless you are medically exempt).
- Please make sure you keep a social distance from all other adults on the school grounds when dropping off or waiting for your child.
- Please ensure that younger children remain with you at all times.

Department for Education - HELPLINE FOR EDUCATION

The DfE have set up a helpline for education advice regarding the Covid-19 virus for staff and parents.

Phone : 0800 046 8687

Email : DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours : 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)


Thank you very much for your understanding and continued support in helping to keep our school community safe.

CATCH IT
Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.

BIN IT
Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.

KILL IT
Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as possible.





If your child has:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

This could be a sign of coronavirus

Book a test

If your child has:
a runny nose, is sneezing or feeling unwell
But they don't have:
a high temperature
a new, continuous cough, or
a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste

These are not normally symptoms of coronavirus

Seek advice from a pharmacy, dial 111 or see your GP

PE Days

Please send children to school wearing school PE kit on the following days as outlined below:

Monday - Osprey

Tuesday - Goldcrest

Wednesday - Dove, Puffin, Jay, Kestrel

Thursday - Starling, Peregrine

Friday - Robin, Owl, Wren, Skylark

Please ensure that the kit is weather appropriate.

Thank you!



School Uniform Reminder

Please continue to send your child in the correct uniform as outlined in the Uniform Policy on our website. Children should wear grey trousers, skirt/pinafore or shorts **not leggings**. PE kit should only be worn on PE days. **Please ensure that PE kit is as outlined in the uniform policy. Please remember that flat sensible safe black shoes (no trainers) should be worn.**

Please ensure that children bring coats in case of rain. As the weather hopefully improves children can bring sun-hats and should have sun cream applied before school if required. No sunglasses in school please. Thank you.

Jewellery

Children may not wear jewellery to school at any time (except for small studs, which must be 5mm in diameter or smaller, and watches) other than for religious or cultural reasons. Children in **Foundation** may **not** wear earrings in view of the physical aspects of their learning.

Uniform Policy on our website:

https://www.oakwood-primary.co.uk/storage/secure_download/aGplcWZCcJrJS0pKeUsxclF1dGo2QT09



NEW Health Visiting and School Nursing TEXT SERVICE

PARENTS. CARERS. YOUNG PEOPLE.

If you'd like some health advice or support, but are a bit worried about seeing or talking to a professional, our new ChatHealth is perfect for you!

Simply text one of the numbers below and one of our team will text you back



0-5 years
Parents Service
07480 635188



5-19 years
Parents Service
07480 635189



11-19 years
Young People's Service
07480 635198

Livewell

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

(Ages specified in terms of use of 2016)

Tik Tok
Twitter
Facebook
Instagram
Pinterest
Google+
Tumblr
Reddit
Snapchat
Secret

LinkedIn

WhatsApp

Vine
Tinder

Path

action for
children

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Diary Dates

(Dates maybe subject to change)



2020/2021 TERM DATES

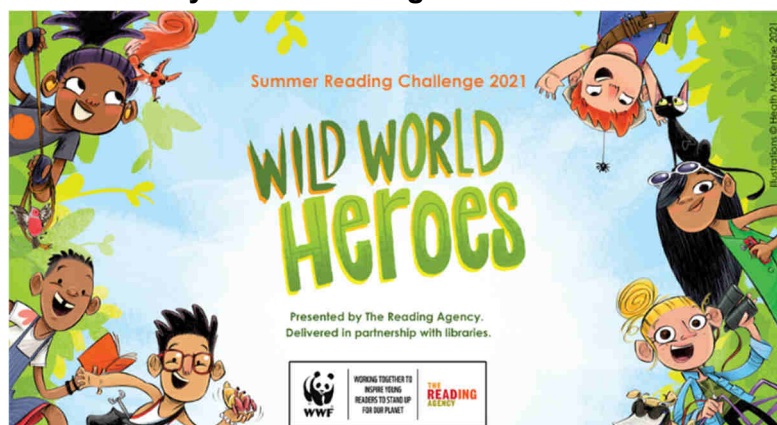
Fri 9th July
Thu 15th Jul
Fri 23rd Jul
Mon 26th Jul - Fri 3rd Sep

Class Swap Afternoon
Year 6 Leavers BBQ 5-6:30pm
School finishes 3:15pm
SUMMER HOLIDAYS

2021/2022 TERM DATES

Wed 8th Sep
Mon 25th - Fri 29th Oct
Fri 26th Nov
Fri 17th Dec
Mon 20th Dec - Mon 3rd Jan 2022
Tue 4th Jan
Mon 21st Feb - Fri 25th Feb
Mon 28th Feb
Fri 8th Apr
Mon 11th Apr-Fri 22nd Apr
Mon 2nd May
Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd Jun
Tue 26th Jul
Wed 27th July - Wed 31st Aug

School opens 8:45am
HALF TERM
Non-Pupil Day
School Finishes
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
School starts 8:45am
HALF TERM
Non-Pupil Day
Non-Pupil Day
EASTER HOLIDAYS
May Bank Holiday
HALF TERM
School finishes at 3.15 pm
SUMMER HOLIDAYS



**Uniform
Store
Plymouth**

**No Click & Collect
Service until
Tuesday July 27th**

Contacting School

If you are contacting school to report an absence or you have a query, please leave a message on the answer phone with your child's name and class (& reason for absence, if applicable) and we will get back to you. Alternatively, email oakwood.office@discoverymat.co.uk
Thank you.

Newsletter Ideas



If you have any ideas about information or updates that you would find useful additions to our newsletter, please email your suggestions to:

oakwood.office@discoverymat.co.uk



*Have a good weekend, be safe!
Jackie Sparrow - Head of School*