

## Oakwood Academy Newsletter



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## 21st May 2021

## **Wellbeing Friday**



The children had a wonderful time on our Wellbeing Day just before Easter and we were delighted to share some of the photos and updates in our recent newsletters. We will be re-visiting some of the activities that the children enjoyed on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May.

Children can come to school in **Comfy Mufti on 28th May**, please make sure they come in clothes and shoes that are suitable for inside or outside activities! There will be <u>no charge</u> for mufti.

## Bike and Scooter Day on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May

Please read the letter sent today regarding the **Bike and Scooter Day** on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May**. On that day we are encouraging as many children as possible to cycle or scoot to school. Ryan Evans from Sustrans will be giving the children who bring a bike or scooter to school the opportunity to go on an obstacle course to test their cycling and scooting skills.

We strongly recommend using a helmet, and also marking bikes and scooters with children's names, as many will have identical or similar ones and it's easy to go home with someone else's bike or scooter by accident otherwise! Each class will have their own area to park their bikes and scooters, so look out for the signs or members of staff showing you where to go on Tuesday.



95.1%

91.6%

Please remember to send your child in their PE kit on their Sport Day.

## Oakwood Primary Academy Facebook Page

We now have an official Facebook information page dedicated to our school! Please search and 'Like' our page to keep up-to-date with information and announcements.

Robin

Owl



## Attendance For Week Ending 14th May 2021

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

Well done to Dove KS1 and Kestrel KS2 for the highest attendance!



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Wren	96.2%
Dove	98.3%
Puffin	93.8%
Jay	94.8%
Starling	94.5%
Skylark	94.3%
Goldcrest	95.7%
Osprey	96.3%
Kestrel	97.1%
Peregrine	96.3%
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## **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!



## Save Our Seas Anthology Writing Competition

A number of children entered the **Save Our Seas Anthology** writing competition this year. We were informed that it was a very popular competition and that the organisers were thrilled to receive so many responses. It is a clear sign that young people have a passion for the environment and an abundance of creativity. We are pleased to announce that **Luna** from Robin Class was selected to have her writing included in this year's anthology. Congratulations to Luna, we are very proud of your achievement. Luna should be receiving a copy of the anthology when it is sent to schools later in the Summer term.



The organisers were overwhelmed by the response and unfortunately could not include every piece of writing that was

submitted, however they wanted to send a special thank you to Oliver T from Goldcrest for his creative submission. Well done to our budding authors!



Congratulations to Marley (Starling) for completing her Stage 2 swimming award. Excellent effort Marley, good luck with Stage 3!

Solomon (Jay) had lots of fun litter-picking around his local area this last weekend, helping to keep the environment safe and tidy. Amazing work Solomon!



### **Shout Out Awards**

These awards go to children who have demonstrated that they are Ready, Respectful and Safe Superstars. Well done for being such brilliant role models this week!

Reception Bubble - Jaxon and Danika

Year 1 Bubble - Ethan and Lily-Rose

Year 2 Bubble - Emily S and Finn

Year 3 Bubble - Alexina and Charlie H

Year 4 Bubble - Jessica and Jay

Year 5 Bubble - Callum and Lewis W

## **Wednesday Wellbeing Walkers**

Please feel free to join the group walks around Southway and the surrounding areas to help promote a healthy body & mind (suitable for all abilities).

Wednesdays (Term Time only) 9am - outside Beechwood Primary, opposite Southway Surgery.

Contact Jenny Oliver 01752 706360 for more information.





























## **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 test, 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. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

#### Reporting absences for children

Please contact the school <u>by 9:15am</u> to let us know if your child will be absent, <u>providing details of the reason for the absence.</u> 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 <u>one</u> 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.

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

#### **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)





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 - Jay, Kestrel, Peregrine Thursday - Dove, Puffin, Starling 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 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 <u>not</u> 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







#### **Diary Dates**

(Dates maybe subject to change)



#### **2020/2021 TERM DATES**

Mon 17th - Fri 28th May Mon 24th May - Fri 28th May

Mon 24th May Tue 25th May Wed 26th May Fri 28th May

Mon 31st May - Fri 4th Jun

Fri 23rd Jul

Mon 26th Jul - Fri 3rd Sep

Year 5 Swimming Sessions

Sports Week (trainers in school all week please) KS2 Sports Day (PE Kit please, Pupils ONLY)

Bike & Scooter Day NEW

Rec/KS1 Sports Day (PE Kit please, Pupils ONLY)

Comfy Mufti for wellbeing activities **NEW** 

HALF TERM

School finishes 3:15pm **SUMMER HOLIDAYS** 

#### **2021/2022 TERM DATES**

Wed 8th Sep School o

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** 

## **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