



Oakfield Primary School Newsletter

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Weekly News

This week we have learnt about **Lunar New Year** in assembly. 2025 is the year of the snake. We looked at traditions, food and different celebrations.

The children in reception have been making their own Lunar New Year dragons and watching clips of lion dances within their classrooms.

Sport's News

Last week, as part of the School Games National Initiative, 48 children competed in KS2 Cross Country against other schools in Wickford. All of the children involved ran their socks off! The scores have now been counted and the results revealed. Impressively, a number of children qualified for the SSP finals and will be competing against other schools in Essex as part of a county competition on Thursday 11th March:

Year 3 - Sami C and the girls team (Madison L, Lucy Mc, Sophie C, Aria N, Hannah M and Amelia W)

Year 4 - Flo S, Meadow S and the boys team (Bradeigh H, Noah S, Jack W, Charlie V, Ollie J, Theo D)

Year 5 - Harry Mor and the girls team (Brooke H, Zoe M, Amelia A, Chloe B, Amelie D and Alba Y)

Year 6 - Olly H and the girls team (Darcey J, Annabelle M, Mary H, Rosie B, Darcy L and Kelsey C).

A special shout out to the children below who were placed in the top 3 in their races, who received their certificates in assembly today:

1st - Darcey J & Brooke H

2nd - Annabelle M, Zoe M & Bradeigh H

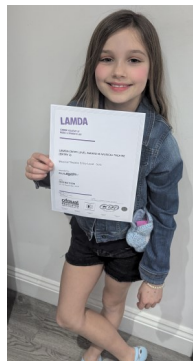
3rd - Flo S & Madison L

We're sure they will do fantastically once again and that you'll join us in wishing them all the best of luck!

Achievements from home

Congratulations to Ellie B who achieved a distinction grade in her first LAMDA entry level musical theatre solo exam and is over the moon.

Congratulations to Isla B who achieved her green hat in swimming this week. She tried super hard and been working towards this for a while.



House Points

Romans	Vikings	Saxons	Normans
34	42	33	39

Our 3 school rules: Be safe. Be ready. Be respectful.

Dates for your diary

03/02/25

KS2 Choir –Young Voices O2

05/02/25

National Child Measurement Programme—Year 6

07/02/25

KS1 Parents Multiply Maths Course 9-11am

11/02/25

Whole School Book Look

12/02/25

YR5 Greek Workshop

14/02/25

Break the Rules Day

14/02/25

KS1 Multiply Maths Course for Parents

Lunch Menu

Week commencing:

03/02/2025

Week 2 Menu

Please remember to pre-order your child/ren's meals on the MCAS App

Achievement Certificates

A big congratulations to all the children that were awarded with a certificate in Friday's celebration assembly.

Class 1	Ella C, Poppy P & Madison S	Class 8	Isla F, & Dolcie G
Class 2	Ernie M & Jude O	Class 9	Oliver B & Oscar S
Class 3	Lily C & Hallie H	Class 10	Chloe C & Ali C
Class 4	Ava M-R, Jaxon H & Erin S	Class 11	Harry M & Amber-Rose W
Class 5	Joey O & Daisy B	Class 12	Esmee K & Kaelen G
Class 6	Matthew A & Zuzanna W	Class 13	Isabelle H & Albie A
Class 7	Ayda A & Aiden C	Class 14	Jessica H & Scarlett H

Attendance

Congratulations to the classes who achieved or exceeded our school attendance target of 96%

EYFS & KS1	KS2	Whole School
Class 1 — 96% Class 2 — 98% Class 6— 99%	Class 14 - 96% Class 12— 97% Class 10—100%	95.3%

School Dinners

A **reminder** that **ALL** school dinners must be booked and paid for in advance on the MCAS App.

Please ensure you have let your child know what the meal choices are **as there are still too many** children coming to the office to change the meal choice on the day.

Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated.

Attachments

Please see the attached documents for information on the upcoming FOO Uniform Sale, Maths Workshops for Parents/carers and Holiday clubs.



Eco-Council News

Our Carbon Footprint!

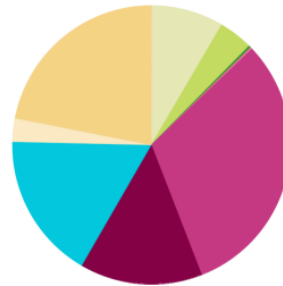
At the end of last term Mrs Pinchback conducted a survey to calculate our school's **carbon footprint**. The results are below in pie chart form. The Eco Council have identified **student commutes** as the main contribution to our carbon footprint making up **31%** of the total!

This term the Eco Council will be looking at how we can save energy in our school and help reduce carbon emissions. We have conducted a whole school energy survey of the school with an Essex Schools Energy Surveyor this week and will let you know more about this in next weeks newsletter. In the meantime we encourage you to **walk, scoot or bike to school** if possible to help reduce Oakfield's carbon footprint.

Your Carbon Footprint Report

Your schools total carbon footprint is estimated to be: 434.74 tonnes CO₂e* per year

Operational area	Emissions area	t CO ₂ e*	% of footprint
Energy & Utilities	Fuel Usage	36.7	8%
	Electricity Usage	17.1	4%
	Waste Usage	0.5	0%
	Water Usage	0.5	<1%
Transport	Vehicles	0	0%
	School Trips	0.8	<1%
	Student Commutes	135.4	31%
	Staff Commutes	62	14%
Food & Drink	Meals	73.8	17%
Purchases	Spending	11.6	3%
	Uniforms	96.4	22%



*t CO₂e' or 'CO₂e' tonnes means 'tonnes of Carbon Dioxide Equivalent'. Under the GHG protocol, 7 greenhouse gases are tracked and summarised as the equivalent amount of Carbon Dioxide that would produce the same warming effect.

Thank you for your support in helping us save the planet,

The Eco-Council





2024 – 2025 Diary Dates

Spring Term (6 th January – 4 th April)		
Date	Event	Details
W/C 03.02.2025	Children's Mental Health Week	
Monday 3 rd February 2025	KS2 Choir – Young Voices	O2
Wednesday 5 th February 2025	National Child Measurement Programme Year 6 – Height & Weight Checks	In School AM
Friday 7 th February 2025	KS1 Multiply Maths Course for Parents	Small Hall 9-11am
W/C 10.02.2025		
Monday, 10 th February 2025	FOO Uniform Sale	3.00pm – 3.40pm Treehouse
Tuesday 11 th February 2025	Whole School Book Look	3:30pm – 4:15pm Enter classrooms through pod doors
Wednesday 12 th February 2025	Year 5 Greek Workshop	In School Event
Friday 14 th February 2025	Break the Rules Day	FOO Event
	KS1 Multiply Maths Course for Parents	Small Hall 9-11am
W/C 17.02.2025	February Half Term	
W/C 24.02.2025		
Tuesday 25 th February 2025	Writing Workshop (Writing approach, handwriting and spelling)	9am-10am
Friday 28 th February 2025	KS1 Multiply Maths Course for Parents	Small Hall 9-11am
W/C 03.03.2025		
Wednesday 5 th March 2025	Year 5 Trip to the Science Museum	8.30am – 4.30pm
Thursday 6 th March 2025	World Book Day Pre-loved Book Sale	FOO Event
W/C 10.03.2025		
Thursday 13 th March 2025	KS2 Multiply Maths Course for Parents	Small Hall 9-11am
Friday 14 th March 2025	Comic Relief (Red Nose Day)	Organised by the School Council – more information to follow
W/C 17.03.2025		
Thursday 20 th March 2025	KS2 Multiply Maths Course for Parents	Small Hall 9-11am
W/C 24.03.2025		
Thursday 27 th March 2025	Year 1 Trip – Call of the Wild KS2 Multiply Maths Course for Parents	Small Hall 9-11am
Friday 28 th March 2025	Mother's Day Wish Room	FOO Event
W/C 31.03.2025		
Monday 31 st March	Transition Yr6-Yr7 Multiply Maths Course for Parents	Small Hall 9-11am
Wednesday 2 nd April 2025	Parent Consultation Meetings	4pm – 6:30pm
Thursday 3 rd April 2025	Parent Consultation Meetings	4pm - 7pm
Friday 4 th April 2025	Oakfield's Got Talent Last Day of Term	In school event

Summer Term (21st April – 22nd July)

Date	Event	Details
W/C 07.04.2025	Easter Half Term	
W/C 14.04.2025		
W/C 21.04.2025		
Monday 21 st April 2025	Easter Monday	
Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Earth Day	Organised by the Eco-Council – more information to follow
	Year 4 Trip – Layer Marney Towers	
Friday 25 th April 2025	Spring Disco	FOO Event
W/C 28.04.2025		
W/C 05.05.2025		
Monday 5 th May 2025	May Bank Holiday	
W/C 12.05.2025	Year 6 SATS Week	
Wednesday 14 th May 2025	Reception Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Reception parents
Thursday 15 th May 2025	Year 1 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 1 parents
Friday 16 th May 2025	Year 2 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 2 parents
	FOO Event TBC	FOO Event
W/C 19.05.2025		
Monday 19 th May 2025	Year 3 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 3 parents
Tuesday 20 th May 2025	Year 4 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 4 parents
Wednesday 21 st May 2025	Year 5 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 5 parents
Thursday 22 nd May 2025	Year 6 Journey Around the Curriculum	2:30pm Large Hall Year 6 parents
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Stay and Play Coffee Morning – New Reception Intake 2025	9:00am-10:00am Reception Intake Parents 2025
W/C 26.05.2025	May Half Term	
W/C 02.06.2025		
Monday 2 nd June 2025	INSET DAY	
Saturday 7 th June 2025	Summer Fete	FOO Event 12pm - 3pm
W/C 09.06.2025	Phonics Screening Week	
Friday 13 th June 2025	Father's Day Wish Room	FOO Event
	First Aid Road Show	Year 6 – in school event
W/C 16.06.2025		
Monday 16 th June 2025	Class Photographs	In School
Friday 20 th June 2025	Sports Day and Picnic	KS2: 9:00am-11:30am

		Picnic: 11:45am-12:45pm KS1: 1:00pm-3:00pm
W/C 23.06.2025		
Tuesday 24 th June 2025	Sports Day and Picnic reserve date in the event of inclement weather on 20.6.24	KS2: 9:00am-11:30am Picnic: 11:45am-12:45pm KS1: 1:00pm-3:00pm
Thursday 26 th June 2025	Year 6 Transition Day Beauchamps New Reception Intake Stay, Play and Storytime Session	9:30am-11:00am Reception Intake 2025 children and parents
Friday 27 th June 2025	Year 6 Transition Day Beauchamps New Reception Intake Stay, Play and Storytime Session <u>Booklook</u> and Meet the New Teacher	9:30am-11:00am Reception Intake 2025 children and parents 3:30pm-4:30pm – parents enter classrooms through pod door
W/C 30.06.2025		
Friday 4 th July	Year 5 Taster Day – <u>Bromfords</u> Reception Intake 2025 Meeting and Teddy Bear's Picnic Rainbow Run	Year 5 children 9:30am-11:15am – new reception intake parents 2025 FOO Event
W/C 07.07.2025		
Tuesday 8 th July 2025	Year 6 Play	5pm
Thursday 10 th July 2025	Year 5 Taster Day -Beauchamps	Year 5 Children
Friday 11 th July 2025	Reception End of Year Celebration assembly Reports out to parents Contingency Rainbow Run Date FOO Ice-cream Sales	9:00am - Large Hall FOO Event FOO Event
W/C 14.07.2025		
Monday 14 th July 2025	Year 1 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Tuesday 15 th July 2025	Year 2 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Wednesday 16 th July 2025	Year 3 End of Year Celebration assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Thursday 17 th July 2025	Year 4 End of Year Celebration assembly First Aid Road Show	9:00am - Large Hall Year 6
Friday 18 th July 2025	Year 5 End of Year Celebration assembly FOO Ice-cream Sales	9:00am - Large Hall FOO Event

W/C 21.07.2025		
Monday 21 st July 2025	Year 6 Leavers Assembly	9:00am - Large Hall
Tuesday 22 nd July 2025	Last Day of Term	

Please note that some dates may have to change – all new dates and changes will be made in **red** and will appear in the dates section of the weekly newsletter

SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALE



**MONDAY 10TH
FEBRUARY
3:00-3:40PM
IN THE TREEHOUSE**



**PRICES
FROM 10P**

- Jumpers
- Cardigans
- PE items
- Polo shirts
- Trousers & Skirts
- Much much more

CASH & CARD ACCEPTED

Multiply Maths



for parents of children 5 to 7 years
(Key Stage 1)

Want to support your child with their maths homework and increase your confidence in maths?

Learn how to quickly and easily help your child with their maths homework. Increase your confidence in maths. Lots of tips, activity ideas and resources!



Claim a £10 celebration voucher on completion of the course!



**Oakfield Primary School
Scott Drive, Wickford, SS12 9PW**

The course consists of three sessions:
7th, 14th and 28th February - 9am to 11am



Book your FREE place today! [Click here](#) to book online
Contact the school office or email: info@tiegr.org



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Multiply Maths



for parents of children 7 to 11 years
(Key Stage 2)

Want to support your child with their maths homework and increase your confidence in maths?

Learn how to quickly and easily help your child with their maths homework. Increase your confidence in maths. Lots of tips, activity ideas and resources!

Claim a £10 celebration voucher on completion of the course!

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The course consists of three sessions:

13th, 20th and 27th March - 9am to 11am

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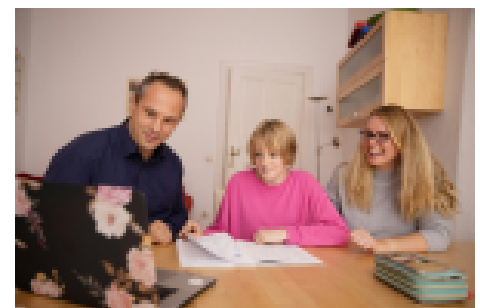
Transition workshop for parents of children in Year 6

**Want to support your child as they transition
from Year 6 maths to secondary school Year 7?**

Including an overview of the curriculum at Year 7, common challenges and concerns, strategies to support children and exploring useful resources.



**Oakfield Primary School
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The transition course consists of one session:

31st March - 9am to 11am



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WICKFORD

North Crescent Primary School - SS12 9AP

Mon 17th Feb | Ball Day inc. Dodgeball, Handball, Benchball & more...

Tue 18th Feb | JOAS Fun Day inc. an Inflatable, Mini-Golf, Archery, Axe Throwing & an afternoon of fun with a party entertainer!

Wed 19th Feb | World Cup Football Fun Day inc. matches, penalty shootouts & crossbar challenges

Thur 20th Feb | JOAS Nerf Day - Team Nerf activities & fun!

Fri 21st Feb | Multisports Fun Day inc. a range of different sports

BRENTWOOD

Bentley St. Paul's Primary School - CM15 9SE

Mon 17th Feb | Multisports Fun Day inc. a range of different sports

Tue 18th Feb | World Cup Football Fun Day inc. matches, penalty shootouts & crossbar challenges

Wed 19th Feb | JOAS Nerf Day - Team Nerf activities & fun!

Thur 20th Feb | JOAS Fun Day inc. an Inflatable, Mini-Golf, Archery, Axe Throwing & an afternoon of fun with a party entertainer!

Fri 21st Feb | Ball Day inc. Dodgeball, Handball, Benchball & more...

17th-21st, 9am-3pm

February Half Term

Multisports, World Cup & Ball Days - £16

JOAS Nerf Day - £20

JOAS Fun Day - £22

8am drop off - additional £5

*Sessions are free for children with Activate codes

RAYLEIGH

Wyburns Primary School - SS6 7PE

Mon 17th Feb | Multisports Fun Day inc. a range of different sports

Tue 18th Feb | JOAS Nerf Day - Team Nerf activities & fun!

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Thur 20th Feb | World Cup Football Fun Day inc. matches, penalty shootouts & crossbar challenges

Fri 21st Feb | Ball Day inc. Dodgeball, Handball, Benchball & more...

Sessions are for reception to year 6.

Book by **messaging us on Facebook**, calling **07919 888093**, emailing jackofallsports@btinternet.com or visit my.coacha.app/member_signup/jackofallsports





February 2025

Newsletter

Thursday
20th Feb

19:00 - 20:00
FREE



FREE SESSION

Supporting Healthy Screen Use

A range of steps that can help minimise the harms from screens

Monday
3rd Feb

10:00 - 11:30
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes and giving practical interventions. Clear explanation of the condition in all its forms and extremely useful advice.

Tuesday
11th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Facing Defiance

Specific strategy to help parents manage defiant and challenging behaviour, especially aimed at ADHD, ODD and PDA conditions, 5 to 12 years old.

Tuesday
18th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness

Get the facts and know the harms about these two drugs so you can hold an informed conversation with your teens.

Tuesday
25th Feb

19:00 - 20:30
£24



Understanding the Teenage Brain

A 'must see' for all parents and teachers of teens and pre-teens. Explains why teens think, feel and behave very differently from adults and how we can support them.

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Understanding Anger	10 FEB 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	11 FEB 10am
Facing Defiance	14 FEB 7pm
Raising Self-Esteem	27 JAN 7pm 25 FEB 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	28 JAN 7pm 24 FEB 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	3 FEB 10am 3 MAR 7pm
Improving Family Communication	3 FEB 7pm 4 MAR 10am
AUTISM: Improving Communication	4 FEB 10am 4 MAR 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	4 FEB 7pm 3 MAR 10am
Anxiety-Based School Avoidance	10 FEB 10am 10 MAR 7pm
What is ACT?	17 FEB 10am 17 MAR 7pm
Introduction to OCD	17 FEB 7pm 18 MAR 10am
Anxiety Explained	18 FEB 10am 18 MAR 7pm
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	18 FEB 7pm 17 MAR 10am
Decreasing Depression	24 FEB 7pm 25 MAR 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	25 FEB 7pm 24 MAR 10am

Essex Fire Museum Open Days



Tuesday 18 and
Sunday 23 February
2025

10:30AM
To
4:00PM

Fire Station, Hogg Lane, Grays
RM17 5QS

Book Now



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