



Oakfield Primary School Newsletter

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Weekly News

My Future My Basildon: The theme of this week's My Future My Basildon was the 'A night at the museum'. The children talked about local museums, historic places and buildings. They learnt about 3 different jobs; an archivist, who talked about how she looks after historic documents, a museum manger, who talked about what they do in a museum as well as a studio designer, who talked about how she used sewing equipment

VE day, 80th celebrations: During assembly on Thursday, the children learnt about VE day, helping them to understand the significance of this historic occasion.

Journey around the curriculum: Next week we start our 'Journey around the curriculum' sessions. Parents are invited into school to share with their children some of the learning from this school year. Please could we ask that each child has no more than 2 adults. Younger siblings are welcome but please ensure they stay with you at all times. We start next week with Reception on Wednesday 14th, Year 1 on Thursday 15th and Year 2 on Friday 16th May. Each session starts at 2.30pm and finishes at 3pm. Please enter and exit the school via the school office, with pick up as normal from pod doors.

Mrs Richards starts her maternity leave today. We would like to wish her lots of luck for when her new baby arrives.

25 years of Oakfield: This year Oakfield turns 25 years old. To mark this 'birthday' we will be having some celebrations within school on Friday 23rd May. The children are invited to come into school in non-uniform/ party clothes. We are also asking each child to bring in a small selection of party food to share with the class. Please could we ask that food comes into school in the packaging (with the ingredients) and that nut-based products are not sent in.

Attendance

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

EYFS & KS1	KS2	Whole School
Class 2—97% Class 4—96% Class 3—96% Class 5—99%	Class 10—97% Class 11 - 99% Class 12—100%	96.3%

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

Dates for your diary

14/5/25

Reception—Journey Around the Curriculum 2:30pm

14/5/25

Year 1—Teddy Bears Picnic at Abacus

15/5/25

Year 1—Journey Around the Curriculum 2:30pm

16/5/25

Year 2—Journey Around the Curriculum 2:30pm &

FOO Wonderlicious Sale

19/5/25

FOO Non-uniform Day

Year 3—Journey Around the Curriculum 2:30pm

20/5/25

Year 4—Journey Around the Curriculum 2:30pm

Lunch Menu

Week commencing:

12/05/25

Week 1 New Summer Menu

Please remember to discuss options with your child and pre-order 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	Sawyer M & Archie M	Class 8	Ralphie H & Hannah M
Class 2	Ronnie D & Freya H	Class 9	Max H & Meesha S
Class 3	Danny M & River H	Class 10	Lilly-Ann J, Amy R & Oliver B
Class 4	Teddy CK & Emilia T	Class 11	Maria H & Chloe B
Class 5	Annabelle H & Neriah I	Class 12	Alfie S & Alba Y
Class 6	Archie J & Nora W	Class 13	Henry K & Oliver S
Class 7	Joshua F, Flora M & Holly P	Class 14	Matthew B & Olly H

House Points

Romans	Vikings	Saxons	Normans
35	39	32	37

May Half Term Clubs

May half term clubs with [#EssexActivAte](#) are live to book!

Free spaces at our clubs are a lifeline to families across Essex during half term, offering school aged children unique sports and games, movement, arts and crafts, food education, friendships and so

You won't need a voucher code to book on for the half term holidays, simply head over to our activity finder, pop in your location, find a local club and contact them directly to book on: <https://>

HOW DO I BOOK ONTO A HALF TERM CLUB WITH ESSEX ACTIVATE?

STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE

- 1 You will not receive or book on with your HolidayActivities voucher code
- 2 Head over to the Find Your Active Activity Finder
- 3 Select 'Programmes' and click 'Essex ActivAte half term', then pop in your location
- 4 Find a local club and book directly using the booking link, email, or contact number

If you have any questions about a local club, please contact the club directly using the details provided

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Headteacher Mrs L Cooney

Dear Parents,

We'd like to warmly invite you to our upcoming **Termly Coffee Morning!** This is a wonderful opportunity to meet other parents, chat with staff, and find answers to challenges within school life in a relaxed, informal setting.

Problem solving with other parents often gives us ideas we haven't yet tried, from sleep difficulties to behavioural challenges, to simply setting routines, come and join us and make new friends.

Date: 20.05.2025

Time: 9.00 – 10.00

Location: Oakfield Treehouse

We'd love for you to join us. It's a great way to connect with the school community, ask questions, share ideas, or just enjoy a cup of coffee!

We look forward to seeing you there.

Best regards,

Mrs Julie Marsh

Learning Mentor

Achievements from Home

Once again, this week so many of our children have wonderful achievements from home to share that we have designated a whole page to celebrate them. Well done to you all, we are very proud of you!



After a lot of hard work during his swimming lessons Nico has been moved up into stage 6 Dark Blue hat. He was so happy when he was told he was moving up and couldn't stop smiling.

Stanley would love to share that he has moved up to the next level in swimming! He only started 4 weeks ago and is very proud of himself.



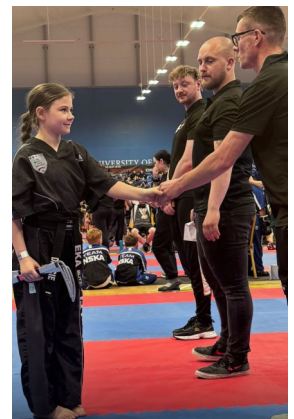
Alexander H passed his 5 kyu grading with Tokon Kai Karate, moving from green to purple belt.



At the weekend Bradeigh and his team took part in a football tournament at Butlins, Bognor Regis and they won the trophy for fair players they did so well on and off the pitch.



Darcie attended the WKU English Open, where she competed in 3 categories with between 10 - 12 other athletes in each division. Darcie was also one of the youngest competitors as she has stepped up an age bracket this year so she was competing against 12 year olds which was very tough for her.



Bobbi had her Ballet IST awards finals on the 27th of April that was held in Birmingham. She scored a commendation and the musicality award.

She also performed her ballet duet last Sunday at a dance festival in Chelmsford. She and her partner came second place and qualified for the All England Dance.





Eco-Council News

PLANTING OUR BEE CORRIDOR HAS STARTED!

Last week we started planting for our 'Schools in Bloom' competition. The Eco council designed their 'bee corridor' and mapped out where they wanted the plants to go.

Meadow Croft garden centre have delivered some plants to us and lots of bee friendly plants including lavender, marigolds, and cosmos have been planted. We will include some sunflowers at a later date.

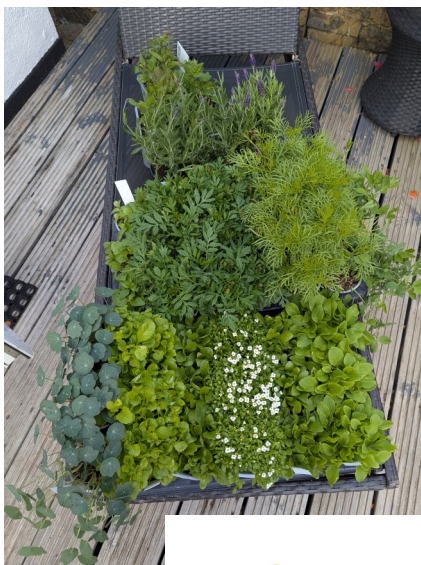
We look forward to looking after the bee corridor and making sure the flowers bloom, ready for the judges to come see them in July!

Please help us keep this wonderful area safe by making sure the flowers are not picked, or ball games are played near the planters after school- we want our garden to thrive.

ECO HERO

Whilst clearing out the garage Callum R rescued a mouse only a few days old and after learning about the South Essex Wildlife hospital in school, they took the mouse there.

The Eco Council



Schools in Bloom
2025





2024 – 2025 Diary Dates



Summer Term (21 st April – 22 nd July)		
Date	Event	Details
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
Wednesday 14 th May 2025	Year 1 Teddy Bear Picnic at Abacus	Year 1
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
Friday 16 th May 2025	Wonderlicious Sale	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
Monday 19 th May 2025	Non-Uniform Day	FOO Event
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
Friday 23 rd May 2025	25 Years Anniversary Celebrations	School event
W/C 26.05.2025	May Half Term	
W/C 02.06.2025		
Monday 2 nd June 2025	INSET DAY	
Thursday 5 th June 2025	Year 6 -Chessington Trip	
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 Booklook 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 – Bromfords	Year 5 children
Friday 4 th July	Reception Intake 2025 Meeting and Teddy Bear's Picnic Rainbow Run	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

South West School Age Community Drop-in

The School Age team at Essex Child and Family Wellbeing Services will provide drop-ins for parents/carers and school aged young people across South West Essex. The drop-ins are available for all young people including those who may be home educated or unable to access the support they require in the school environment.

Support offered:

- Emotional health and wellbeing
- Improving sleep
- Nutrition support
- Physical and sexual health
- Personal hygiene
- Managing health conditions
- Signposting, advice and support.

No need to book, just come along

For more information
Tel: 0300 247 0013 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm)

Northlands Park Family Hub
Davenants, Basildon SS15 1QX
School Age Parent Drop in
9:15 - 10:15
Young People's Drop-in
15:30 - 16:30
1st and 3rd **Monday** of the month

All About Delivery Site
Leinster Road, Laindon SS15 5NX
School Age Parent Drop in
9:15 - 10:15
Young People's Drop-in
15:30 - 16:30
2nd and 4th **Monday** of the month

Sunnyside Delivery Site
Rosebay Avenue, Billericay, CM12 0GH
School Age Parent Drop in
9:30 - 10:30
Young People's Drop in
15:30 - 16:30
1st and 3rd **Thursday** of the month

Larchwood Gardens Family Hub
Larchwood Gardens, Pilgrims Hatch, Brentwood CM15 9NG
School Age Parent Drop in
9:15 - 10:15
Young People's Drop in
15:30 - 16:30
1st and 3rd **Tuesday** of the month

Service commissioned by:

FREE!

ADHD & ASD: Join Our Support Network!

Are you a parent or carer of a child, or teen, with ADHD or ASD? Gain valuable insights and connect with others who understand your journey. Attend our informative online sessions to learn more about your child's needs and build a supportive community.

Upcoming online sessions this May:

- Understanding ADHD In Children
- Understanding ASD In Children
- Understanding ADHD & ASD In Children
- Understanding ADHD & ASD: Teen Boys

Don't miss out! Register today and be part of a supportive network.

Sign Up!
Visit our website aclessex.com and type 'ASD or ADHD' in to the 'Find a course...' box

COMMUNITY & FAMILY LEARNING



EMPOWER YOUR CHILD TO MANAGE THEIR EMOTIONS

Are you a parent or carer looking to better support your child's emotional well-being? Join our sessions designed to help you understand and nurture your child's emotions.

FREE Online sessions available this May:
Managing Big Emotions, Managing Anger, Self Esteem For Teens, Understanding Children's Anxiety, Understanding Teen Stress, Zones of Regulations.

Take the First Step Today by Signing Up!
Visit aclessex.com and type 'emotions' in the search courses box

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Empower Your Child, Ease Their Anxiety

Children and teens today face immense pressure from various sources, including transitions, exams, online, peer pressure or daily life.

Join our FREE sessions designed to help you to understand, and support your child/teen manage their stress, anxiety, or other emotions. Together, we can create a healthier, happier environment for our young, and not-so-young, ones.

Enrol now to make a positive difference in your child's life!
Scan the QR code, Visit our website aclessex.com and type 'CHILD ANXIETY or TEEN ANXIETY' in to the 'Find a course...' box or phone 0345 603 7635