



Oakfield Primary School Newsletter

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Weekly News

This week our year 6 children found out their secondary schools and there was lots of excitement and discussions as they shared their news with friends and staff. We look forward to supporting them with the transition to their new schools over the next few months.

Year 5 road safety walk: Year 5 participated in a road safety walk. They had an assembly on how to stay safe; including wearing reflective clothing, the need to stop, look and listen before crossing the road and safe ways to cross the road. The children then went out for a local walk to put these skills into practise.

Zactiv: Thank you to FOO who organised Zack George (Steel from Gladiators) to come into school to meet all the children. He led a whole school assembly on how to stay fit and healthy; the importance of believing in ourselves and also what it was like to be a gladiator. He then visited each classroom to answer some questions. A fantastic morning that highlighted the importance of setting our own dreams and working hard to achieve these.

Well done to the children in Key Stage 2 who attended the cross-country event on Tuesday at William De Ferrers school. All of the children put in fantastic effort to run the challenging course around the school field. A big well done to Zoe in Year 6 who ran a fantastic race and finished 2nd. Congratulations to the year 5 boys and year 6 girls teams who are through to the county finals at Garons on Wednesday 25th March.

Year 6 had an assembly this week on respect, led by an Educations Officer from Essex Fire and Rescue. He spoke about social behaviours, being respectful and also online games. The children learnt about age restrictions and talked about making the right choices.

Well done to the children who participated in our Rock Steady concert this week. They shared with their parents some of the skills they have been learning in their music lessons each week.

On Thursday we celebrated World Book Day. The children looked amazing in the wide variety of book character costumes, pyjamas or non-uniform. During the morning the children attended an assembly to talk about having a love of reading and the importance of reading. Staff led story sessions as part of our mystery reader. The children chose the book they wanted to listen to and during assembly found out which member of staff would be reading this.

The winning potatoes are:

Year 6 – Tillie W Year 5 – Ava Chi Year 4 – Isla F
Year 3 – Zuzanna W Year 2 – Grayson H Year 1 – Rosalia K
EYFS – Zara H

Well done to everyone that took part. We had some fantastic entries.

Congratulations to Albert and Arthur Miller who have achieved their 100 books bronze award. Fantastic achievement!

Dates for your diary

09/03/26

Science Week

11/03/26

YR1 Visit to Call of the Wild

13/03/26

Mother's Day Wish Room

FOO Event

Lunch Menu

Week commencing:

09/03/2026

**Week 1 New Autumn
Menu**

**Please remember to discuss
options with your child and
pre-order meals on the
MCAS App**

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

Achievement certificates

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

Class 1	Zachary H & Cillian M	Class 8	Annabelle H & Joey O
Class 2	Micah C & Marnie O	Class 9	Artie A & Izabela T
Class 3	Freddie A & Emma S	Class 10	Harry B & Ronnie S
Class 4	Finley M & Oliver W	Class 11	Bonnie C & Abigail M
Class 5	Teddy CK & Charlie G	Class 12	Harley A, Nora E & Noah S
Class 6	Aspen B & Harrison S	Class 13	Millie N & Koby O
Class 7	Oscar L & Nora W	Class 14	Skyla B & Fraser O

Attendance

EYFS & KS1	KS2	Whole school
Class 1 - 98.5% Class 2 - 96.7% Class 4 - 97.5% Class 5 - 98%	Class 7 & 12 - 99.2% Class 8 - 96.7% Class 9 - 98.4% Class 10 - 100% Class 11 - 99.6% Class 13 - 97% Class 14 - 97.8%	97.9%

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

House Points

Romans	Saxons	Vikings	Normans
41	36	39	31

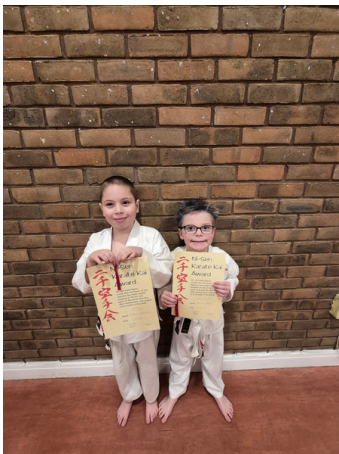
Well done to this week's winning house... **Yellow Roamsn**

Achievements from home



Rosie V (CI 4) achieved her 12th KYU in karate and also moved up a level at swimming in the same week.

During half term Audrey D (CI 4) completed the Winter Reading Challenge during which she designed and built a reading den, read different style books and read to her sisters. She enjoyed telling the librarian about each book/activity.



At the HSD awards ceremony Hallie H (CI 6), Amelia W (CI 3) and Kallie F (CI 5) were all awarded one of the prestigious "top 4 trophies". Amelia was awarded dancer of the year runner-up
Hallie was awarded Dancer of the year
For a second year in a row Kallie was awarded Student of the year winner. She also received a trophy for winning acro dancer of the year.



Charlie G (CI 5) got his 6th stripe in karate and Grayson H (CI 5) got his 3rd stripe in karate.

Esmé auditioned for a national competition 'West end calling' and the judges were impressed by her acting through song that she is through to the live heats. They are this Sunday in London at 11:30am and there is a live stream to join and vote option if you wanted to watch- see link below.

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/westendcalling/stream-tickets-london-heats/2026-03-08/11:30/t-dkvygda>



Eco-Council News

OUR POTATOES HAVE ARRIVED!

The Eco Council will be trying to grow their own potatoes this year and our delivery has arrived!

We have been sent Casablanca and Cristina potatoes, and they are currently 'chitting' on the windowsill in the kitchen. After about two weeks they will be ready to plant.

Chitting is the process of encouraging seed potatoes to generate sturdy sprouts ready for when it's time to plant them in the ground. By exposing the seed potatoes to plenty of light and warmth, we spur them out of dormancy and into growth mode, the result being an earlier harvest and hopefully have lots of potatoes for a chip party in June!

We cannot wait to plant our potatoes in our potato bags and see what happens!

SPRING PICKERS CHALLENGE

Remember the Spring Pickers challenge is starting very soon, sign up and help clean up our local area! Email admin@oakfield.essex.sch.uk and let us know how you did for some extra house points and an Eco certificate.

The Eco Council and Mrs Pinchback



They have arrived!



Community News

Make & MOVE
HOLIDAY ACTIVITY CLUBS

Easter Half Term
Abacus School, Tresco Way, Wickford, SS12 9GJ
For children from reception to year 6

Week 1

Monday 30th March - Pic n Mix Monday
Easter themed crafts and activities, including brick building and a themed movie afternoon with popcorn. Children can bring scooters for some outside fun.

Tuesday 31st March - Bunny Bounce Day - Gymnastics
Lets get bouncing with coach Nina on the Gymnastics equipment and then on our fun Easter equipment, lots of bunny themed crafts and activities.

Wednesday 1st April - Fun on the Farm - Real farm animals
Once again we are joined by the brilliant Gemmas Farm who will be bringing a range of spring animals for children to hold and interact with. An amazing themed day with crafts and activities that will book up fast! Hope to see you there.

Thursday 2nd April - Easter Fun Day - Bunny visit
All things Easter! Make chocolate treats, lots of Crafting and a visit from the Easter Bunny to lead our Fun annual Egg Hunt!

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Week 2

Tuesday 7th April - Under the Sea
Under the Sea - Always a favourite theme with sand art, under water 3D scenes and bubble fun.

Wednesday 8th April - Inflatable Fun day
Join us for a day of inflatable fun. Whatever the weather we will have a fun day jumping around and crafting too, a firm favourite that gets booked up!

Thursday 9th April - Spring Fairy Gardens and Netball
A day long project of creating a beautiful spring fairy garden to take home with gardening tips and outside fun with Netball coach Jo.

Friday 10th April - Pic n Mix Easter
Last session of the Easter Holidays where we will have a great choice of crafts and activities on offer as we wrap up the Easter sessions. Movie afternoon and Children can bring scooters for some outside fun too.

9am to 3pm - £24. 8.30am to 4pm - £30. Hot lunch option available each day for £3.50. Details on the booking form.

To book text or email 07929 044959
craftykatie10@gmail.com to request a booking link.
Ofsted registration number 2852869 Payment options include tax free childcare account

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in aid of **Lennox Community**

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Wednesday 10th June to Saturday 13th June 2026 at 7.30pm
(Friday performances at 5.00pm and 8.00pm, Saturday Matinee 3.00pm)

Tickets £17 - £26.50 Concessions and family tickets available

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Help the planet and our school

to win a sustainability kit!

Carbon Cutting Essex is inviting schools to reduce their carbon footprint and support school environmental projects across Essex.

We're inviting family and friends of the school to take part in fun activities designed to help reduce carbon footprints, for which they'll earn points that can then be donated to our school. The more points our school receives, the higher our chances of winning a kit!

Winning a sustainability kit will make a huge difference and help towards greener learning for the children - Please register today!

Simply scan the QR code to register and donate points to our school



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Help the planet and our school win a sustainability kit

Register today for free
Simply scan the QR code to register and donate points to our school, or head to carboncuttingessex.com/schools



2025-2026 Diary Dates

New calendar dates will be added in red

Spring Term (5th January – 27th March 2026)

Date	Event	Details
W/C: 9.03.26		
Science week		
Wednesday 11th March	Year 1 visit to Call of the Wild	During the school day
Friday 13th March 2026	Mother's Day Wishroom	In school event organised by FOO
W/C: 16.03.26		
Wednesday 18th March 2026	Year 5 visit to First Site Art Gallery, Colchester	During the school day
Friday 20th March 2026	Comic Relief	Non uniform day
	FOO: Uniform sales	After school in the Treehouse
W/C: 23.03.26		
Wednesday 25th March 2026	Parents consultation meetings	3.30-6pm
Thursday 26th March 2026	Parents consultation meetings	3.30-6.30pm
	FOO: Easter Egg hunt	
Friday 27th March 2026	Oakfield's Got Talent	In school event
	Last day of term	
W/C: 30.03.26	Easter Holiday	

W/C: 6.04.26		
Summer Term (13th April – 20th July 2026)		
Date	Event	Details
W/C: 13.04.26		
Monday 13th April 2026	First day back	
Wednesday 15th April 2026	Year 2 trip to Langdon Nature Reserve	During the school day
Thursday 16th April 2026	Primary school allocations 2026	New intake 2026 parents From Essex County Council
W/C: 20.04.26		
Wednesday 22nd April 2026	Earth Day	Organised by the Eco-Council. More information to follow
Friday 24th April 2026	Spring Disco (FOO)	EYFS & Year 1 – 2.00-3.00pm Years 2, 3 & 4 – 3.15 - 4.15pm Years 5 & 6 – 4.30 - 5.30pm
W/C: 27.04.26		
Thursday 30th April 2026	Year 4 trip to Layer Marney Tower	During the school day
W/C: 4.05.26		
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday	
Wednesday 6th May 2026	Year 6 visit from Beauchamps	During the school day

W/C: 11.05.26		
Monday 11th- Thursday 14th May 2026	Year 6 SATs week	
Wednesday 13th May 2026	Reception Journey around the Curriculum Year 2 Skipping Event	2.30pm Large Hall Reception parents At Oakfield 1.15 – 2.30pm
Thursday 14th May 2026	Year 1 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 1 parents
Friday 15th May 2026	Year 2 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 2 parents
	Year 6 park visit	(Weather dependent)
	FOO: Wonderlicious Sale	After school
W/C: 18.05.26		
Monday 18th, Wednesday 20th and Friday 22nd May 2026	Book Fair	3.15-3.45pm Small Hall
Monday 18th May 2026	Year 3 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 3 parents
Tuesday 19th May 2026	Year 4 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 4 parents
Wednesday 20th May 2026	Year 5 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 5 parents
	Year 4 workshop: Science of sound	In school workshop

Thursday 21st May 2026	Year 6 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 6 parents
Friday 22nd May 2026	Stay and play coffee morning – new reception intake 2026	9.00-10.00am Reception new intake parents 2026
25th- 29th May: Half Term		
W/C: 1.06.26		
Monday 1st June 2026	INSET day	
Tuesday 2nd June 2026	INSET day	
Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th June 2026	Year 4 Multiplication Check	
Friday 5th June 2026	Summer Fete (FOO event)	3.30-5.30pm
W/C: 8.06.26		
Monday 8th – Friday 12th June 2026	Year 4 Multiplication Check	
Monday 8th – Friday 12th June 2026	Year 1 Phonics Screening	
Wednesday 10th June 2026	Reception trip to Barleylands	During the school day
Thursday 11th June 2026	Year 3 workshop: Ancient Egyptians	In school workshop
Friday 12th June 2026	Father's Day Wishroom	In school event organised by FOO
W/C: 15.06.26		

Tuesday 16th June 2026	Year 1 Teddy Bears Festival	At Abacus 12.30 – 2.30pm
Wednesday 17th June 2026	Year 5 transition project with Abacus	At Oakfield – during the school day
Friday 19th June 2026	Sports day and picnic	KS2: 9.00-11.30am Picnic: 11.45am-12.45pm KS1: 1.00-3.00pm
W/C: 22.06.26		
Tuesday 23rd June 2026	Sports day and picnic reserve date in the event of inclement weather on 19.06.26	KS2: 9.00-11.30am Picnic: 11.45am-12.45pm KS1: 1.00-3.00pm
Wednesday 24th June 2026	Wickford Arts Festival	
	Year 5 transition project with Abacus	At Abacus during the school day
Thursday 25th June 2026	Year 6 Transition Day	
	New Reception intake stay, play and storytime session	9.30-11.00am Reception intake 2026 children and parents
	Book look and meet the new teacher	3.30-4.30pm – parents to enter classrooms through pod door
Friday 26th June 2026	Year 6 Transition Day	
	New Reception intake stay, play and storytime session	9.30-11.00am Reception intake 2026 children and parents
W/C: 29.06.26		

Wednesday 1st July 2026	Rocksteady concert	9am Large Hall
	Year 5 transition project with Abacus	At Oakfield – during the school day
Friday 3rd July 2026	Reception intake 2026 meeting and Teddy Bear's Picnic	9.30-11.15am – Large Hall
	Rainbow Run	FOO event
W/C: 6.07.26		
Tuesday 7th July 2026	Year 6 play	5.00pm Large Hall Year 6 parents
Wednesday 8th July 2026	PGL Little Canada 2026 Information meeting	Year 5 parents 3.20-4.00pm Large Hall
Thursday 9th July 2026	Year 5 taster day – Beauchamps	Year 5 children
Friday 10th July 2026	Reception end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Reception parents
	Reports out to parents	
	Contingency date – Rainbow Run	FOO event
W/C: 13.07.26		
Monday 13th July 2026	Year 1 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 1 parents

Tuesday 14th July 2026	Year 2 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 2 parents
Wednesday 15th July 2026	Year 3 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 3 parents
Thursday 16th July 2026	Year 4 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 4 parents
Friday 17th July 2026	Year 5 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 5 parents
W/C: 20.07.26		
Monday 20th July 2026	Year 6 leavers assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 6 parents
	Last day of term	