



Oakfield Primary School Newsletter

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Weekly News

As this will be our final newsletter of the academic year, we would like to take the opportunity to say thank you to everyone who has been involved with Oakfield successes this academic year- to the children, parents, FOO and staff who have all contributed. On Monday, we will be saying goodbye to our year 6 children as they leave Oakfield to start their new adventure at secondary school. Good luck to you all! We look forward to seeing year 6 parents at their leaver's assembly Monday morning.

Well done to all of the children who had their golden ticket drawn out of the class boxes. These children received a book from our vending machine. Each week, the children will receive their golden tickets for reading at least 5 times. Reading regularly helps children develop their vocabulary, comprehension, and confidence, laying the foundations for success across all areas of learning. Reading each day can nurture a lifelong love of books and make a significant difference to a child's progress. The summer read opens this weekend and we hope that there will be lots of children who participate in this event.

Thank you to all parents and family members who have attended our celebration assemblies this week. It has been lovely to share with you our memories from the year and celebrate the children's achievements.

Please ensure before children return to school that they have the correct uniform, shoes and PE kits ready to start the new academic year. Our uniform list can be found on our school website. All uniform and items of clothing must be named. It is much easier to return lost items if they are clearly identifiable. Thank you.

Our school calendar will be emailed on Monday with key dates and events for the year. These will also be on the school website and included each week on the newsletter, with an additional date being clearly identified.

Have a lovely summer and we look forward to welcoming children back on Wednesday 2nd September 2026.

Our Golden tickets winners:

Reception: Rosalie C, Iris G, Marnie O, Rosie D
Year 1: Reggie B, Jamie D, Xander D, Audrey D
Year 2: Dora I, Erin C, Lily C, Layla N
Year 3: Riley E, Megan L, Neriah I, Millie D
Year 4: Alfie S, Ollie E, Hannah M, Danielius A
Year 5: Darcey W, Erika A, Lily K, Archie H
Year 6: Alba Y, Jessica LW, Riley G, Tillie W

LOST PROPERTY - On Monday morning, please check the lost property box outside the school office for any items that may belong to you. At the end of the day, any unclaimed items will be displayed for collection. Any items that remain uncollected after this time will be donated to FOO.

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

Dates for your diary

20/07/2026

YR6 End of Year
Celebration Assembly
9.00am - Large Hall

LAST DAY OF TERM

First day back
02/09/26

Lunch Menu

Week commencing:

20/07/2026

**Week 3 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	Jude G, Grace MR & Class 1	Class 8	Daisy B & Chase W
Class 2	Harry M & Eadie N	Class 9	Aiden C & Wojciech S
Class 3	Charlotte K & Ernie M	Class 10	Hannah M & Lucy M
Class 4	Harry E & Xander D	Class 11	Erica A & Scalett S
Class 5	Erin S & Class 5	Class 12	Oliver B & Archie H
Class 6	Layla N & Class 6	Class 13	Penny L & George M
Class 7	Grace B & Pippa N	Class 14	Ruby R & Isabella S

Attendance

EYFS & KS1	KS2	Whole school
Class 2 - 98.5%	Class 7 - 99.2% Class 12 - 97.7% Class 13 - 98.5% Class 14 - 99.3%	95.7%

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

House Points

Romans	Saxons	Vikings	Normans
40	35	38	36

Well done to this week's winning houses...ROMANS Yellow

Achievements from home

Well done everyone on your achievement



Zara H (CI 1) completed her last term at ballet and earned herself a certificate and medal. Zara's self-confidence has grown since starting ballet 18 months ago and she is really showing how much of a shining star she is. She is looking forward to performing her first show just after Christmas.



Rosie D (CI 2) won her 'Half Marathon' band. This is a great achievement for Rosie who has now completed 11 park runs. Each week Rosie shows so much resilience and has improved so much! She is now 4 minutes quicker than when she first started.



Freddie M (CI 8) competed in the Gymnastics regional finals at Ipswich gymnastics club. She was placed first bringing home the gold medal!



Chase W (CI 8) and Finley W (CI 4) are both extremely proud to have worked towards and achieved the next chapter in their swimming lessons. Gaining knowledge and skill they passed the next stepping stones moving up in their swimming abilities.



Isaac O (CI 6) achieved his white sash in Kung Fu at the weekend after having a grading exam the weekend before. It was his first grading and he did really well.



Harry B (CI) went for his 4th grading at Kung Fu and achieved his next belt.



Albie G (CI 5) achieved his yellow Belt in Karate. The hard work and determination paid off, and he was all smiles after his grading.



Abigail M (CI 11) performed in her end of year musical theatre showcase after months of hard work and rehearsals. She had the best time and was extremely proud of everyone.

Eco-Council News

OUR FINAL NEWSLETTER OF THE YEAR!

Thank you...

As another successful year of Eco projects has passed, I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who has been involved in our Eco work this year.

To our Eco Team- Thank you for your enthusiasm and passion in all the Eco projects we have completed this year, you have been amazing to work with and have shown a love of flowers and vegetables, wildlife and our planet Earth.

Parents and Carers- Thank you for completing the cut your carbon challenges at home, doing your mini litter picks outside of school and for your donations of plants and flowers- we have appreciated your generosity and support.

Staff at Oakfield- Thank you for continuing to teach our children how to help and look after our planet and that treating the environment with kindness is vitally important for our future selves.

Wickford Wombles- Your help with our litter picks is always appreciated, the work you do to help save wildlife from endless littering is phenomenal. We are lucky to have such a fabulous group of people help us with our litter picking and teaching the children about how litter affects wildlife.

Wickes of Rayleigh- Your numerous donations of topsoil and compost have meant we could expand our wild corner, make an allotment area, and grow our vegetables. The Eco Council have really benefitted from gardening this year.

Perrywoods Garden Centre- We are beyond grateful for your bee kit donation which has meant we have been able to add to our bee corridor and improve the biodiversity in our school grounds as well as beautify our planting areas.

FOO- Thank you for recycling and reusing school uniforms, books and toys which has reduced what goes into landfill but also raised some money for our school at the same time.

It has been a very busy year for us we achieved so much in a matter of months, here are a few of our outstanding achievements-

Gold Hedgehog Friendly Schools award for our work with hedgehogs.

Woodland Trust Green Heroes award for our outdoor learning and Eco work.

1st place in the Big Hog Friendly Litter Pick Primary Schools' category and won the 'Peculiar Picks' category in the same competition.

We have participated in the Anglian in Bloom competition in the Best Young People's project under 12s category.

We were filmed to promote Perrywoods garden centre bee kit.

We have completed our Eco green flag application and await the results.

We have recycled seven boxes of pens and glue lids and one box of batteries .

NEW ECO CODE FOR OAKFIELD

We wanted to share the code with the Oakfield community, so all parents, carers and family members know what the Eco team believe important in terms of helping our planet Earth and our local environment. Please take a look so you are aware of what our new Eco code will be from September 2026.

Wishing you a lovely summer break,
Mrs Pinchback





HEDGEHOG FRIENDLY CAMPUS

GOLD AWARD 2025/26



OUR ECO-CODE.

Everyone at Oakfield will support and help biodiversity,

Collect litter from the bushes, fields and playgrounds and put it in the bin,

On Mondays, eat Meat-Free to reduce carbon emissions,

Reduce, recycle, reuse as much as we can,

Use a reusable water bottle to save plastic going into landfill,

Love pollinators and wildlife- especially hedgehogs!

Environment must be protected for our planet's health,

Save energy- turn off the lights, boards and taps, check radiators daily.



Online safety advice to send home to parents

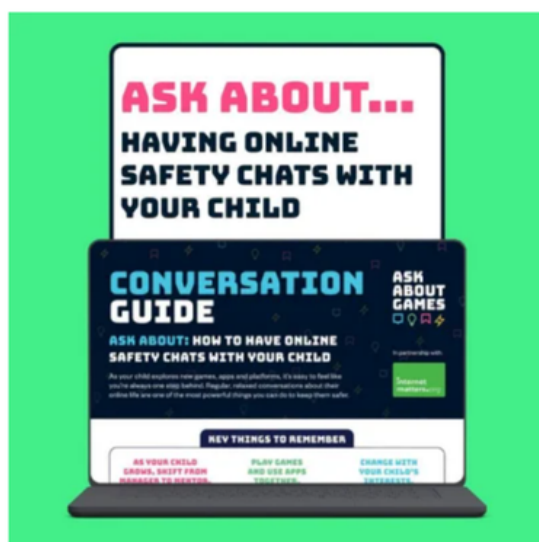
Dear parents and carers,

With the summer holidays approaching, many children will be looking forward to spending more of their free time online and for lots of children, that means playing online games.

Online games can be a brilliant way for children to have fun, connect with friends and build confidence, but it's important they know how to play safely and understand the rules of the spaces they're in.

Internet Matters offer free guidance to help you support your child with online gaming, including how to understand community rules, avoid warnings or bans, and start positive conversations about the games, apps and videos they enjoy.

Ask them a question to get a conversation going



"What game are you playing at the moment?" Sometimes, the simplest questions start the most important conversations.

Internet Matters have partnered with Ukie to create a free [Conversation Guide](#) to help parents and carers turn everyday chats about games, videos, and apps into opportunities to talk about online safety with your child.

Ask About Games also offers [guides](#) to hundreds of online games, to help you find the games that are the perfect match to the age and interests of your family.

School's out!

Our 5-star kids' Summer Holiday Camps are in!

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Premier Education are very excited to announce that we will be offering a Multi-Activity camp during the Summer Holidays at Oakfield Primary School. We aim to offer parents a convenient and affordable service where children can have fun and feel safe in familiar surroundings. We hope our experience and extensive offering of activities will ensure there is something for every child to enjoy.

Please see further details below:

Option 1

Multi-Activity

Venue: Oakfield Primary School, SS12 9PW

Dates: Tuesday 21st July 2026 - Thursday 27th August 2026 (15 Days total)

Time: 9 am – 4:00 pm

Ages: 4 - 11 - (4-year-olds must be in Reception Year Group)

Price: £19.95 per day

Option 2 (Extended hours)

Multi-Activity

Venue: Oakfield Primary School, SS12 9PW

Dates: Tuesday 21st July 2026 - Thursday 27th August 2026 (15 Days total)

Time: 8:30 am – 5:30 pm

Ages: 4-11- (4-year-olds must be in Reception Year Group)

Price: £25.95 per day

Our Summer Holiday camps are designed to help your children get active, introduce them to new and exciting activities, and create a fun-filled experience they will remember forever.

Offers

Save 10% when you book all available days in a week!

Save 10% on your 2nd child with our sibling discount!

How to book: <https://www.premier-education.com/holiday-camps/>. Book a Course and use the postcode SS12

Spaces are limited to 32 per day, so book quickly to avoid disappointment! Please email Rclark@premier-education.com with any questions or requests.

Kind regards, Premier Team.

As seen on TV

Excellent
Trustpilot

SUMMER Holiday Clubs

Loads of activities. Tonnes of fun.
For children aged 4-11.



Find your local club!
Scan or search Premier Holiday Clubs.



 Premier Education

Happy Kids. Healthy Futures. Holiday clubs | Wraparound care | School clubs

Your Nearest holiday club...

Venue: Oakfield Primary School, SS12 9PW

Dates: Tuesday 21st July 2026 - Thursday 27th August 2026

Times: Standard option 9am – 4pm Extended option 8:30am – 5:30pm

Price: Standard option £19.95. Extended option £25.95 per day

Ages: 4-11- (4-year-olds must be in Reception Year Group)

Additional info: Save 10% when you book all available days in a week!

Kids Moving. Confidence Growing.

Premier Education holiday clubs keep children active, happy, and genuinely engaged – whatever the school holiday.

Sports, performing arts, games and more. There's something for every child.

Find your local club at

premier-education.com



Better Together.
Bring a friend.
Both save 20%*.

*T&Cs apply. Refer a Friend discount on new bookings only.



-  PLEASE BRING
- ✓ A packed lunch
 - ✓ Plenty of water
 - ✓ Suitable clothing
 - ✓ Loads of energy!





SUMMER WEEK 1
CAMP ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 21st July
Activities:
Unleash your competitive side during **Dodgeball, Gymnastics, and Handball.**
Get creative with **Lego, Arts & crafts, and Play-Doh.**

Wednesday 22nd July
Activities:
Take part in the **Water Olympics and Football.** Plus **Arts & Crafts and Lego.**
Don't forget **Whacky Wheels Wednesday** - Bring your own Scooter, bike, etc.

Thursday 23rd July
Astronaut Academy.
Prepare for blast off with our space day spectacular.
Mission 1: **Junk Yard Rocket Lab.** Compete in teams to **design and build** rockets using junk modelling.
Mission 2: **Galaxy painting and Rocket fuel eruption.**
Mission 3: **Alien invasion, football and Space Ranger bootcamp.**

Additional Information.
Booking link:
<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/6489/?location=ss12&distance=0.1&distance=0.1>



EASTER WEEK 2
HOLIDAY CAMP ACTIVITIES

Wednesday 8th April
Activities:
Work as a team during **Team games. Red light Green light and parachute games.**
Get creative with **Arts & Crafts and Lego.**

Thursday 9th April
Activities:
Unleash your competitive side during **Dodgeball, Speed stacking contests and more!**
Get creative with **Arts & Crafts, and Lego.**

Friday 10th April
Activities:
Test your skills with **Handball, Archery and Football.**
Get creative with **Arts & Crafts and Lego, or performing Arts.**

Additional information
Booking link:
<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/6489/?location=ss12&distance=0.1&distance=0.1>



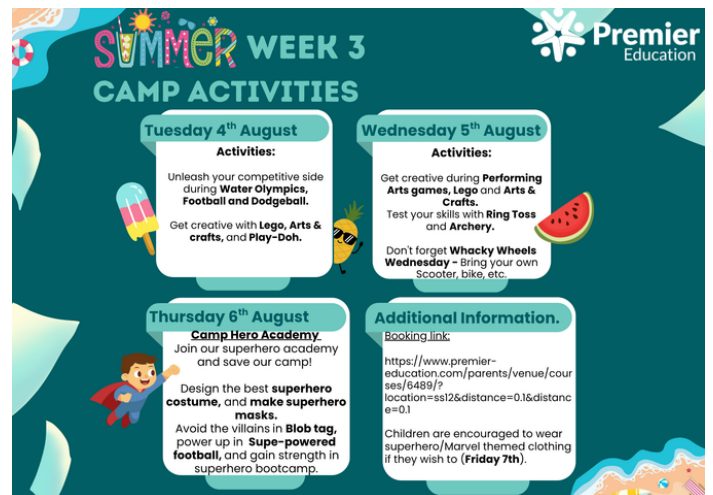
SUMMER WEEK 4
CAMP ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 11th August
Activities:
Unleash your competitive side during **Matball, Tennis, and Bean Bag Toss.**
Get creative with **Lego, Arts & crafts, Play doh and Junk modelling**

Wednesday 12th August
Activities:
Test your skills in **Boccia, Kickball bowling and 5-a-side football.**
Get stuck in with **Slime, Arts & Crafts and Water play.**
Don't forget **Whacky Wheels Wednesday** - Bring your own Scooter, bike, etc.

Thursday 13th August
Young Ranger Day.
Help us on our Eco quest.
Join us for a **Bug and Nature hunt.** Followed by **bug hotel building** using **junk modelling and Leaf rubbing.**
Get your Ranger Badge during **Camouflage, Wind, Fire & Ice, Park Ranger Tag and Archery.**

Additional Information.
Booking link:
<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/6489/?location=ss12&distance=0.1&distance=0.1>



SUMMER WEEK 3
CAMP ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 4th August
Activities:
Unleash your competitive side during **Water Olympics, Football and Dodgeball.**
Get creative with **Lego, Arts & crafts, and Play-Doh.**

Wednesday 5th August
Activities:
Get creative during **Performing Arts games, Lego and Arts & Crafts.**
Test your skills with **Ring Toss and Archery.**
Don't forget **Whacky Wheels Wednesday** - Bring your own Scooter, bike, etc.

Thursday 6th August
Camp Hero Academy.
Join our superhero academy and save our camp!
Design the best **superhero costume, and make superhero masks.**
Avoid the villains in **Blob tag, power up in Super-powered football, and gain strength in superhero bootcamp.**

Additional Information.
Booking link:
<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/6489/?location=ss12&distance=0.1&distance=0.1>
Children are encouraged to wear superhero/Marvel themed clothing if they wish to (**Friday 7th**).



SUMMER WEEK 5
CAMP ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 25th August
Activities:
Unleash your competitive side during **Capture the Flag, Boccia, and Tagging games.**
Get creative with **Lego, Arts & crafts, Play-Doh and Junk modelling**

Wednesday 26th August
Activities:
Test your skills in **Archery, Athletics and Oakfield Talent Show.**
Get stuck in with **Arts & Crafts, Lego and Water play.**

Thursday 27th August
Activities:
Get creative during **performing arts games, Arts & crafts and Biscuit decorating.**
Get competitive with **Waterballoon toss, 5-a-side football, and Matball.**

Additional Information.
Booking link:
<https://www.premier-education.com/parents/venue/courses/6489/?location=ss12&distance=0.1&distance=0.1>



BE ALLERGY AWARE! OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY



We acknowledge it is impractical to enforce an allergen-free school.

HOWEVER, WE AIM TO BE AN ALLERGY AWARE SCHOOL



We encourage pupils and staff to avoid certain high-risk foods to reduce the chances of someone experiencing a reaction.



PLEASE AVOID THESE HIGH-RISK FOODS:



1. PACKAGED NUTS



Bags of mixed nuts, e.g., almonds, cashews

2. CEREAL, GRANOLA, OR CHOCOLATE BARS CONTAINING NUTS



3. PEANUT BUTTER OR CHOCOLATE SPREADS CONTAINING NUTS



4. PEANUT-BASED SAUCES



e.g., SATAY

5. SESAME SEEDS AND FOODS CONTAINING SESAME



WHY IS THIS NECESSARY?



There are individuals in our school community that could suffer a fatal reaction if exposed to these allergens.



If a pupil brings these foods into school, they may be confiscated for safety.



Dear Parents/Carers,

As Children's Commissioner, I am writing to ask you to ensure all of your children complete my new survey, [The Big Future](#).

Under the Children Act 2004, it is my role to promote the views and interests of children in England, and I have done this so far by conducting the two largest ever children's surveys: The Big Ask and The Big Ambition.

Now, for the first time, hundreds of thousands of children will be eligible to vote in the next general election, the biggest change to the franchise in half a century. Yet just one in five children say politicians listen to them. That's why I'm launching my final survey, The Big Future.

Your students should complete the survey here: <http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>.

I want to make sure that I hear from as many children as possible, aged 0-18, from all backgrounds, in all schools and colleges, and in every part of the country. To do that, I need your help.

I am asking children about the changes they want to see in their communities, their biggest concerns, and their hopes for the future. More than anything, I want to know what they think a good childhood should look like today.

I would like all pupil responses **before the deadline of Friday 23 October.**

I will be publishing my findings next year, and they will be used to advocate at the highest level for solutions that children want to see, to the problems that they tell me are most important to them.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Dame Rachel de Souza
Children's Commissioner

Community News

Essex ACTIVate

Free holiday clubs, fun activities and food across Essex and Thurrock!

- ✓ Specialist SEND, mental wellbeing and youth clubs
- ✓ Sports and games, arts and crafts, cooking and so much more!
- ✓ Nutritious snacks and tasty meals
- ✓ Run by qualified, local club providers
- ✓ Family support, resources and guidance
- ✓ Discretionary paid and paid for spaces

WHAT IS ESSEX ACTIVate?

Essex ActivAtE is the name for the exciting activity clubs run by Active Essex. During school holidays, local club providers across the county deliver free holiday clubs and fun activities to get eligible primary and secondary children active, as well as support young people to make friendships and learn new skills, helping to enhance their wellbeing.

Please only book your child/run a space at an Essex ActivAtE club if they will attend. If they are booked on and do not attend, other children may miss out on this beneficial opportunity across the holidays.

www.activeessex.org

[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/EssexActivAtE) [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/EssexActivAtE) [TikTok](https://www.tiktok.com/@EssexActivAtE)

Turn this flyer over to read more on how to book a space!

SCAN ME

HolidayActivities

A guide on claiming your voucher and booking activities

Step 1 - Open the email and click the green button
This voucher will come from hello@holidayactivities.com

Step 2 - Select Continue with email and log in/sign up
After selecting Continue with email, you will be asked to enter your email address. If you do not have an account, you will be asked to sign up

Step 3 - Making a booking
Clicking the green continue on the number of your child will take you to a list of providers. From there, you can browse available activities and once you find one suitable, you will be asked to complete a booking form.

FREE SMARTPHONES & CHILDHOOD

The new guidance every parent needs to understand

Why governments are changing the rules | What the research really says | Practical advice without fear or guilt

WATCH FREE In the FACE Parenting App

ADHD and so much more! The new app from FACE

DOWNLOAD DIRECTLY: apps.apple.com/us/app/adhd-and-so-much-more/id6776284078

This talk is completely FREE - no subscription required.

Not yet available for android phones - coming soon!

READ to the BEAT

Summer Reading Challenge 2026

Join FREE at your local library!

Saturday 18 July to Saturday 5 September
At your local Essex library or mobile library - see libraries.essex.gov.uk for library opening times

Delivered in partnership with libraries summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

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Castle Point Astronomy Club & Science Horizons present a

Family Space Day

Saturday 8th August
1.30pm - 4.30pm

A fantastic afternoon of space themed activities and fun for both young and older children and adults. There's something for the whole family!

Handle real meteorites from outer space, land a spaceship on the Moon, launch rockets, find out about telescopes, try space-related craft activities and more!

Admission FREE (Donations welcomed!)

St Michael's Church Hall
St Michael's Road, Daws Heath. SS7 2UW

More details on the website: www.cpastrorub

Science Horizons
Exciting Science and History Workshops for Schools and Adults.
www.sciencehorizons.co.uk

WICKFORD TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB COMMUNITY FUN DAY!

A GREAT DAY OUT FOR ALL THE COMMUNITY!

COME AND SEE OUR NEW 3G FACILITY! SEE IT, PLAY IT, LOVE IT!

OUTDOOR GAMES
Fun for all ages!

SHOWCASE OF OUR NEW 3G FACILITY
See it, Play it, Love it.

FREE REFRESHMENTS
Compliments of Wickford Town FC

FUN FOOD & ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN
Games, treats and entertainment!

HAVE YOUR SAY!
Tell us what YOU would like to see from our facilities at Wickford Town.

FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST
1PM - 5PM

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Let's come together, have fun and build a stronger community!

Barliffe Park, Southend Road, Wickford, SS11 8BZ

www.wickfordtownfc.co.uk

Essex Fire Museum Open Days 2026

26th Of July
10:30AM To 4:00PM

Fire Station, Hoggs Lane, Grays RM17 5QS

Book Now
Free Entry

Museum@essex-fire.gov.uk

Essex Fire Museum Open Days 2026

18th and 30th Of August
10:30AM To 4:00PM

Fire Station, Hoggs Lane, Grays RM17 5QS

Book Now
Free Entry

Museum@essex-fire.gov.uk

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2025-2026 Diary Dates

New calendar dates will be added in red

W/C: 20.07.26		
Monday 20th July 2026	Year 6 leavers assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 6 parents
	Last day of term	