Oakfield Primary School Newsletter

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Weekly News

This week the children have thought about and discussed anti-bullying week around the theme of 'Break the Silence.' On Monday, the children wore odd socks to emphasise the idea that we are all unique. Each class has taken part in different activities including circle times and attended an anti-bullying week assembly.

On Wednesday year 3 visited the Museum of Power in Maldon linked to their learning about forces and magnets in Science. They explored how to use forces to make an air powered car. They also explored centrifugal forces and how they keep water in a cup, even when it is upside down. The children also looked at the power of magnets and tested what materials are magnetic or not!

It was lovely to welcome some new families to school on Thursday as we continued our new intake tours. Thank you to our year 6 children who completed the tours. We had lovely feedback from the parents about their explanations and information. If you know of anyone with children who will be starting school in September 2027 and they would like to visit our school, we are holding our final tour on Thursday 7th January at 9.30am. Please contact the school office to book a space.

On Thursday, our Key Stage 2 choir performed at the Wickford Christmas Lights Switch On. The children sang beautifully and did a fantastic job entertaining the crowds. It was lovely to see them sharing their enthusiasm for music and helping to bring some festive cheer to the local community.

A reminder that next week we are hosting our Maths parent workshop. This will be on Thursday 26th November at 8.45am until 9.30am. The workshop will include what we teach across the school, how we teach it and ways to support your child at home.

Next Friday (27th November) is a school INSET day. The children will not be in school on this date.

Dates for your diary

<u>24.11.26</u>
Whole school book look
3.20-3.50pm
Enter classrooms through pod doors

<u>26.11.26</u>
Parent workshop: Maths
8.50-9.30am Large Hall

Non uniform day for Christmas Bazaar donations
FOO Event

<u>27.11.26</u>
INSET DAY - No children in school

Lunch Menu

Week commencing:
23/11/2026
Week 1 New Aut/Spring
<u>Menu</u>

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

Key Stage 2 School Dinner Price Increase of 20p per meal – From 1st April 2027

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	Amelie F	Class 8	Freddie S
Class 2	Conor R	Class 9	Alfie K
Class 3	Jude G	Class 10	Luca N
Class 4	Polly B	Class 11	Izabela T
Class 5	Alfie G	Class 12	Heidi G
Class 6	Max C	Class 13	Oliver M
Class 7	Isla B	Class 14	Harley A

Attendance

EYFS & KS1	KS2	Whole school
Class 1 - 99.2% Class 2 - 98.4% Class 3 - 97.8% Class 4 - 94.3% Class 5 - 98.9% Class 6 - 97%	Class 7 - 97% Class 10 - 99.3% Class 11 - 98.9% Class 14 - 96.2%	96.5%

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

House Points

Romans	Saxons	Vikings	Normans
33	36	45	30

Well done to this week's winning houses - VIKINGS Red

Achievements from home

Well done everyone on your achievement



Sophie C (Cl 11) got a star of the week certificate from her street dance club for helping a new student.



Jude G (Cl 3) has achieved his 5 metre swimming award



Community News



Key Dates for Winter 2026

Date Activity

16 November, 12 noon Winter bookings open and voucher codes are released to eligible families

21 December - 1 January Winter programme delivery









2026-2027 Diary Dates

New calendar dates will be added in red

Autumn Term (1st September – 18th December 2026)		
Date	**Event**	**Details**
W/C: 23.11.25		
Tuesday 24th November 2026	Whole school book look	3.20-3.50pm Enter classrooms through pod door
Thursday 26th November 2026	Parent workshop: Maths	8.50-9.30am Large Hall
	Non uniform day for Christmas Bazaar donations	FOO event
Friday 27th November 2026	INSET day	Children not in school
W/C: 30.11.26		
Wednesday 2nd December 2026	Name the Candy Cane	FOO – more details to follow
	Rocksteady concert	9am large hall - For parents of children who attend the music lessons
Friday 4th December 2026	Christmas Bazaar	FOO event 3:30-5:30pm
	Year 6 coffee and Christmas Carols assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 6 parents
W/C: 7.12.26		
Monday 7th December 2026	Years 4 and 5 Christmas performances	9.00am and 2.00pm
Tuesday 8th December 2026	Years 2 and 3 Christmas performances	9.00am and 2.00pm
Wednesday 9h December 2026	Years R and 1 Christmas performances	9.00am and 2.00pm
Friday 11th December 2026	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas lunch Christmas Wishroom (FOO)	
W/C: 14.12.26		
Tuesday 15th December 2026	Whole school Panto trip to the Towngate Theatre	During the morning, in school time
Thursday 17th December 2026	Christmas class parties	More details to follow
Friday 18th December 2026	Last day of term	
W/C: 21.12.26	Christmas Holiday	
W/C: 28.12.26		

Spring Term (4th January – 26th March 2027)		
Date	**Event**	**Details**
W/C: 4.01.27		
Monday 4th January 2027	First day back	

Thursday 7th January 2027	Prospective Reception Intake 2027 Parent Tours	9.30am (Pre book spaces with school office)
W/C: 11.01.27		
Thursday 15th January 2027	Primary school admission 2027 application closes	New intake reception 2027 parents via Essex County Council online
W/C: 18.01.27		
Wednesday 20th January 2027	Year 6 trip to Duxford Imperial War Museum	Children in school for 8am and returning at 3.30pm
W/C: 25.01.27		
Wednesday 27th January 2027	Year 1 workshop: History through Toys	In school workshop
W/C: 1.02.27		
Wednesday 3rd February 2027	Young Voices – O2	Key stage 2 choir – more details to follow
Thursday 4th February 2027	Year 2 workshop: History of Flight	In school workshop
	Reception workshop: Storytelling through Lego	In school workshop
W/C: 8.02.27	**Children's Mental Health week**	
Tuesday 9th February 2027	Whole school book look	3.20-3.50pm Enter classrooms through pod door
	Safer Internet Day	Theme: Too good to be true?
Thursday 11th February 2027	Break the rules day	FOO event
Friday 12th February 2027	INSET day	Children not in school
15th – 19th February 2027: Half Term		
W/C: 22.02.27		
Thursday 25th February 2027	Year 5 Ancient Greek workshop	In school event
W/C: 1.03.27		
Monday 1st March 2027	Secondary school places offered	Year 6 parents From Essex County Council
Wednesday 3rd March 2027	Rocksteady concert	9am large hall - For parents of children who attend the music lessons
Thursday 4th March 2027	World Book Day	Dress up and Spud-tacular More details to follow
	FOO: Pre-loved book sale	In school
Friday 5th March 2027	Mother's Day Wishroom	In school event organised by FOO
W/C: 8.03.27		
Science week		

W/C: 15.03.27		
Friday 19th March 2027	Comic Relief/ Sports relief	TBC
Friday 19th March 2027	FOO Uniform Sale	Treehouse from 3pm
W/C: 22.03.27		
Tuesday 23rd March 2027	Parents consultation meetings	3.30-6pm Change of date from 24.03.27
Wednesday 24th March 2027	FOO: Easter Egg hunt	More details to follow
Thursday 25th March 2027	Parents consultation meetings	3.30-6.30pm
Thursday 25th March 2027	Oakfield's Got Talent	In school event
	Last day of term	
Friday 26th March 2027	Good Friday	Children not in school
W/C: 29.03.27	Easter Holiday	
W/C: 5.04.27		
Summer Term (12th April – 21st July 2027)		
Date	**Event**	**Details**
W/C: 12.04.27		
Monday 12th April 2027	First day back	
Friday 16th April 2027	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
	Primary school allocations 2027	New intake 2027 parents From Essex County Council
W/C: 19.04.27		
Thursday 22nd April 2027	Earth Day	Organised by the Eco-Council. More information to follow
W/C: 26.04.27		
Tuesday 27th April 2027	Year 4 trip to Layer Marney Tower	During the school day
Friday 30th April 2027	Year 1 trip to Hyde Hall	During the school day
W/C: 3.05.27		
Monday 3rd May 2027	Bank Holiday	
Thursday 6th May 2027	Reception trip to Barleylands	During the school day
W/C: 10.05.27		
Monday 10th - Thursday 13th May 2027	Year 6 SATs week	Year 6 children
Wednesday 12th May 2027	Year 2 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 2 parents

Thursday 13th May 2027	Year 1 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 1 parents
Friday 14th May 2027		2.30pm Large Hall Reception parents
	Year 6 park visit	(Weather dependent)
	FOO: Wonderlicious Sale	After school
W/C: 17.05.27		
Monday 17th, Wednesday 19th and Friday 21st May 2027	Book Fair	3.15-3.45pm Small Hall
Monday 17th May 2027	Year 4 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 4 parents
Tuesday 18th May 2027	Year 3 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 3 parents
	Year 4 workshop: Science of sound	In school workshop
Wednesday 19th May 2027	Year 5 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 5 parents
Thursday 20th May 2027	Year 6 Journey around the Curriculum	2.30pm Large Hall Year 6 parents
Friday 21st May 2027	Sports day	9.00-11.30am Key Stage 2 11.45am-12.45pm Picnic lunch 1.00-3.00pm EYFS/ Key Stage 1
W/C: 24.05.27		
Wednesday 26th May 2027	Stay and play coffee morning – new reception intake 2027	9.00-10.00am Reception new intake parents 2027
	Whole school outdoor learning	More information to follow
Friday 28th May 2027	Reserve day for sports day	9.00-11.30am Key Stage 2 11.45am-12.45pm Picnic lunch 1.00-3.00pm EYFS/ Key Stage 1
31st May – 4th June 2027: Half Term		
W/C: 7.06.27		
Monday 7th June 2027	INSET day	Children not in school
Tuesday 8th – Friday 11th June 2027	Year 4 Multiplication Check week 1	Year 4 children
Tuesday 8th June 2027	Non uniform day for summer fete donations	FOO event
Friday 11th June 2027	Summer fete	FOO event- 3.30-5.30pm more details to

		follow
W/C: 14.06.27		
Monday 14th – Friday 18th June 2027	Year 4 Multiplication Check week 2	Year 4 children
Monday 14th – Friday 18th June 2027	Year 1 Phonics Screening	Year 1 children
Monday 14th June 2027	Class photographs	
Thursday 17th June 2027	Year 3 workshop: Ancient Egyptians	
Friday 18th June 2027	Father's Day Wishroom	In school event organised by FOO
W/C: 21.06.27		
Wednesday 23rd June 2027	**2nd Reserve Day for sports day**	
Thursday 24th June 2027	Year 6 Transition Day	
	New Reception intake stay, play and storytime session	9.30-11.00am Reception intake 2027 children and parents
	Book look and meet the new teacher	3.20-4.00pm – parents to enter classrooms through pod door
Friday 25th June 2027	Year 6 Transition Day	
	New Reception intake stay, play and storytime session	9.30-11.00am Reception intake 2027 children and paren
W/C: 28.06.27		
Wednesday 30th June 2027	Rocksteady concert	9am large hall - For parents of children who attend the music lessons
	Year 6 PGL meeting	Year 5 parents 3.20-4pm Large hall
Friday 2nd July 2027	Reception intake 2027 meeting and Teddy Bear's Picnic	9.30-11.15am – Large Hall
	Year 5 taster day - Bromfords	Year 5 children, during the school day
W/C: 5.07.27		
Wednesday 7th July 2027	Year 5 taster day – Beauchamps	Year 5 children, during the school day
	Year 6 play	5.00pm Large Hall Year 6 parents
Friday 9th July 2027	Reports out to parents	
	Rainbow Run	FOO event
W/C: 12.07.27		
Monday 12th July 2027	Year R end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Reception parents
Tuesday 13th July 2027	Year 1 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 1 parents

Wednesday 14th July 2027	Year 2 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 2 parents
Thursday 15th July 2027	Year 3 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 3 parents
Friday 16th July 2027	Year 4 end of year celebration assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 4 parents
	Rainbow Run contingency	FOO event
W/C: 19.07.27		
Monday 19th July 2027	Year 5 end of year celebration assembly	9am Large Hall Year 5 parents
Wednesday 21st July 2027	Year 6 leavers assembly	9.00am Large Hall Year 6 parents
	Last day of term	

*Year 1 and 5 class trips – awaiting confirmation of date/ TBC