



Oaklands Infant Oak Tree News

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Dates to remember:

Information in red
above are new
dates for your diary



Monday 29th April

Year 1 Chinese Dragon Workshop

Thursday 2nd May

Schools closed for Elections

Friday 3rd May

School Photographs

Monday 6th May

Bank holiday

Thursday 9th May

Art Exhibition 2:30-4pm

Monday 20th May

Silver Birch celebration of learning
2:50pm

Monday 20th—Friday 24th May

Walk to school week

Thursday 23rd May

Ash celebration of learning 9am

Thursday 23rd May

Chestnut celebration of learning
2:50pm

Friday 24th May

Willow celebration of learning and
class assembly 9am

Friday 24th May

Beech AND Elm celebration of learning
2:30pm

Friday 24th May

BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM 3:10PM

Monday 27th to 31st May

HALF TERM

Monday 3rd June

Return to school—No Inset day

Monday 10th—Friday 14th June

Parent lunches

Tuesday 18th June (Reserve 21st June)

Sports Day

Friday 28th June

FS to Birdworld

Saturday 29th June

PTA Summer Fete

Tuesday 2nd July

Year 2 to Dinton Pastures

Thursday 4th July

Year 1 to Thatcham Nature Reserve



Dear Parents/Carers,

I really hope you all had a lovely Easter break and are ready for the summer term, which is hard to believe is here! The term has got off to a great start with the launch of art week at art school. Everyone has had a fabulous time and the children have been really engaged. It has been great to do something different and celebrate creativity in every child. All the children have been involved in a variety of activities, including working with the sculptor Tim Davies (this was funded by the PTA). During these sessions, they have focused on creating some of our school characters. We are excited about the forthcoming art exhibition on the afternoon of Thursday 9th May, where children's pictures and art will be on display in the hall and in each classroom.

I would like to say a big thank you to Miss Davies and the staff for organising the week and the generous donations of art materials from parents and funding from the PTA.

With best wishes,
Hannah O'Neill

Summer term dates 2019

*Start of term: 23 Apr 2019

Bank Holiday: Mon 6 May 2019

Half Term: 27 to 31 May 2019

*End of Term: 19 July 2019

New term dates 2019/2020

*Start of term - Wed 4 Sept 2019

School closed - Fri 25 Oct 2019

Half term - 28 Oct to 1 Nov 2019

*End of term: 20 Dec 2019

New term dates continue

*Start of term: Mon 6 Jan 2020

Half term: 17 to 21 Feb 2020

*End of term: Fri 3 April 2020

*Start of term: Mon 20 April 2020

Bank holiday: 4 April 2020

School closed: 8 May 2020

Half term: 25 to 29 May 2020

*End of term: Fri 17 July 2020



On Friday 5th March, we had our final assembly before the Easter holidays. During this assembly, we had our Governor awards which are based on six of our school values. The teachers nominate different children across the six classes and it continues to be a tough decision.

Character	Name of pupil	Class
 Casey: being happy, cared for and cared about	Maisie	Elm
 Catkin: celebrating the individual	Harriet	Willow
 Holly: not afraid to fail	Dexter	Ash
 Ivy: rising to challenges	Harry	Chestnut
 Laurie: pride in achievement	Leo	Silver Birch
 Solo: encouraging independence	Dexter	Beech

Polite Notice

Members of staff have brought to my attention that one or two parents have not treated them with the respect or courtesy that we feel is vital in order to communicate effectively. Please can I remind parents that my staff are professionals and need to be treated with respect, just like Goldie; which we encourage with all of the children.

We are all here to support the children and we need to be able to maintain positive relationships with parents to ensure we get the best for our children and families. I would appreciate it if all parents took a moment to think about their manner and how they approach staff.

Thank you
Mrs O'Neill
Headteacher

Menu Change Census Day

Census day this term is on Thursday 16th May, so for this day we will be swapping the Thursday and Friday menus (see below). A high uptake of school dinners is important on census days, as the numbers are used to inform the school meal funding from central government – low numbers could mean less funding which in turn could mean the main school budget having to subsidise the meals – clearly not something we want to happen! Could I therefore ask for your support on this day – thank you.

Thurs 16 May

Main: Salmon Fish fingers with chips and tomato sauce

Vegetarian: Cheese and pepper whirl with chips

Side: Garden peas or baked beans

Dessert: Chocolate cocoa cookies, yoghurt or fresh fruit salad

Friday 17 May

Main: Chicken and bean fajitas with rice

Vegetarian: Mixed bean cassoulet with rice

Side: Grated carrot salad / cauliflower

Dessert: Iced sponge, yoghurt

Reminder!

School photos are on

Friday 3rd May

Please ensure girls are wearing summer uniform. Make sure you have returned your reply slip if you would like any sibling photos.



Reminder!

School gate access after school clubs

Parents who are picking up from clubs (Dance Academy on Monday and Multi skills on Tuesday) please press the Infants button at the Butler Road gate and state which club they are collecting from and Beehive will give you access to pick up from the hall door.

School gate access for Beehive

Parents who are picking up from Beehive please press the Infants button for access.



20 to 24th May 2019 ~ National Walk to School Week



During this week we will be encouraging the children to walk/scoot to school and leave the car at home! Each child who walks/scoots to school will receive a sticker and, at the end of the week, a magnet. Coming to school under 'body power' is a great start to the day – the exercise wakes us all up and gets the blood pumping around our bodies so that we are ready to learn once we arrive at school. It is a great time to notice things in the local environment and gives time to chat to people and your family and friends as you walk. Pollution is also reduced so it has a positive impact on Planet Earth as well as our bodies. For those of you who are unable to walk to school, for whatever reason, may we encourage you to park the car a bit further away from school so the children walk a little further – this will achieve a sticker too! Please join us in encouraging your child to exercise and enjoy their local environment by walking to school!



Green Redeem

Help us receive funding for our school!



All you need to do is register at www.greenredeem.co.uk/wokingham and you can start collecting and donating points to the school. Through reducing waste, recycling at home and taking other green actions you can earn points to donate to the school and also get money off at local shops and restaurants or win some great prizes. The donations scheme runs until the end of September so there's plenty of time to get donating! The more points the school gets, the more funding we will receive and there's £3,000 up for grabs!

We would like to spend the funding on classroom resources.

Please sign up today, spread the word and get donating!



Wildlife Garden Update

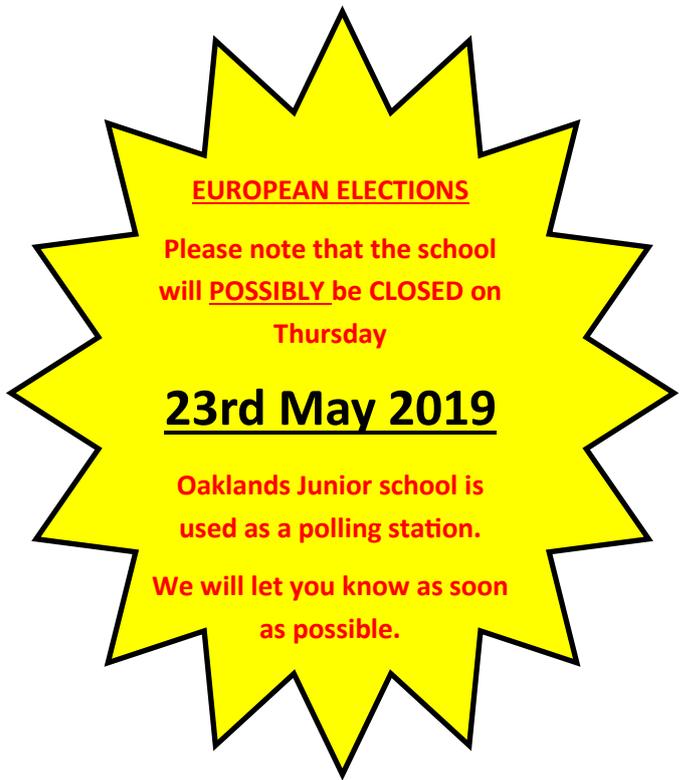
Thank you to Gemma Thompson and Becky Thompson, our Lunchtime Controllers. They kindly donated their time during the Easter holiday and transformed the wildlife

area. A true garden make over!

If anyone has any spare plants that they can donate it would be very much appreciated.



Class	Date	Time
Ash	Thursday 23rd May	9am
Willow	Friday 24th May	9am
<i>Class Assembly</i>		
Chestnut	Thursday 23rd May	2:50pm
Silver Birch	Monday 20th May	2:50pm
Beech	Friday 24th May	2:30pm
Elm	Friday 24th May	2:30pm



The governing body is a committee that is in place to steer the school’s strategic direction and to make sure that the school remains accountable. If you have a concern about your child, normally it is best to speak to their teacher or Mrs O’Neill first as they know them well and will probably be able to deal with it quickly. However, do get in touch if you feel this isn’t working or you have other things you wish to discuss - we are happy to hear from you! Thank you.

If you have any feedback about our newsletter please email

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