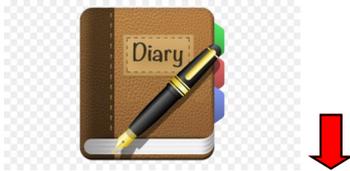


Diary Dates



Saturday 9 November

PTA Fireworks

Monday 11 November

Parents Evening 3:30-6pm

Thursday 14 November

Parents Evening 3:30-7pm

Friday 15 November

Children in Need. Wear

spots and bring £1.

18 to 22 November

Year 1 Parents to lunch week

Thursday 21 November

Beech class assembly

Tuesday 10 December

Christmas Play 2pm

Wednesday 11 December

Christmas Play 9:15am

Friday 13 December

PTA Christmas Fair

Monday 16 December

Carol Service at St. Johns

Church 10am

Thursday 19 December

Christmas jumpers and

Christmas lunch day

Friday 20 December

EARLY BREAK UP 1:30PM



Dear Parents/ Carers

The summer Governor newsletter informed parents about the funding we secured to improve safeguarding. As I am hoping you will have seen, it has started with a new fence around the Foundation Stage outside area. The next part of the programme was due to start on the school entrance in October half term. However, this has been postponed due to planning and building regulations. I will keep you informed with updates when I know.

I hope all our families have a lovely half term and we will see all the children back in school on Monday 4th November.

With best wishes,
Hannah O'Neill



TERM DATES 2019/2020

Autumn Term 2019

Inset day: 25 October

Half term: 28 Oct - 1 November

End of term: 20 December

Spring Term 2020

Inset day: 6 January

Start of term: 7 January

Half term: 17 - 21 February

End of term: 3 April

Summer Term 2020

Start of term: 20 April

(TBC) election Day: 7 May

VE Bank holiday: 8 May

Half term: 25 - 29 May

End of term: 17 July

Inset Days: 20 + 21 July

TERM DATES 2020/2021

Autumn Term 2020

Inset Day: 1 Sept

Start of term: 2 Sept

Inset Day: 23 October

Half term: 26 Oct - 30 Oct

End of term: 18 December

Spring Term 2021

Inset day: 4 January

Start of term: 5 January

Half term: 15 - 19 February

End of term: 31 March

Inset Day: 1 April

Summer Term 2021

Start of term: 19 April

Bank holiday: 3 May

(TBC) election Day: 6 May

Half term: 31 May - 4 June

End of term: 20 July

Inset Day: 21 July

If you have any feedback about our newsletter
please email

admin@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk

Children that have received a Goldie:

Harry in Silver Birch for caring for the school environment and picking up litter.

Rufus in Elm for holding the door open for Mrs O'Neill and being very polite.



Oakland Infants Character: HOLLY

This half term as a school we have been focusing on our character 'Holly'.

It has been lovely to see all the children 'having a go'.

Throughout the school we have seen:

- Children not giving up when an activity gets tricky.
- Children having a go at changing behaviours to make good choices.
- Children trying to be more independent e.g. getting changed for PE.
- In maths, children not giving up when it gets challenging.
- In reading and writing children remembering to use their phonics.

We are really proud of the children for 'having a go' like Holly and it has been wonderful to hear that this is happening at home too.



WEBSITE

Please check the school website for any missed letters, local community notices including Crowthorne Trails, basketball camp, Bracknell Forest book festival + poetry competition and libraries half term activities.



18 -22 NOVEMBER YEAR 1 PARENTS TO LUNCH WEEK

We will be having a school lunch week, when you can join your child for a hot dinner for a day. From Monday 18 to 22 November year **1** parents will be invited to join their children for lunch. During the Spring term year 2 can join their parents and in the Summer Foundation Stage can join their parents.

Please note that on these occasions parents can sit with just the child/ren from that year group.

HARVEST FESTIVAL GRAND TOTAL

The Harvest food collection grand total for the Infant School was 208.36kg. Fantastic!

YEAR 2 BURNING HOUSES

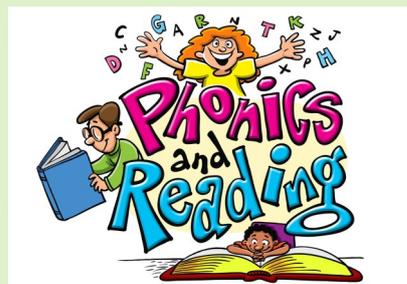


The Year 2 pupils have been studying the famous Fire of London and how people lived in the 1600s. On Wednesday 23rd October Year 2 children recreated the streets of London with the houses they made as well as the Bakery and St Paul's Cathedral. Luckily the rain stayed away and we were able to see their houses burn down. The children were amazed by how quickly the fire spread, just what it would have been like in 1666! Photos from this memorable event will be uploaded to the website sometime next week!

FOUNDATION STAGE READING AND PHONICS WORKSHOP

It was wonderful to see many of the Foundation Stage parents at the English workshop on Thursday 17 October.

From next week, on our website under the Learning tab for English you will find the PowerPoint shown during the workshop, links to our handwriting scheme, PenPals, as well as resources and some of the games used during the afternoon.



PTA FIREWORKS NIGHT

Please note that the Fireworks night is on:

SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER

Gates open at 4:45pm, with the display starting at 6pm

Tickets will be available on the gate (Butler Road Entrance)



CHILDREN IN NEED

On **Friday 15 November** Oakland's Infant School will be supporting Children in Need. Please could your child come into school wearing spotty clothes with a donation of £1. Please could they also wear sensible shoes. All of the money goes towards supporting hundreds of thousands of children across the UK.

POPPY APPEAL

From Monday 4 November the children will be able to purchase poppies. Wrist bands, reflector keyrings, zip pulls and snap bands will also be available to purchase. Please see attached PDF for pricing details of these items.



PARENT AND FAMILY SUPPORT

Nikki Lenon is our family support adviser here at Oaklands Infant & junior schools. Her role is to help and give advice about many issues facing parents today. It would be hard to make a definitive list but she may be able to help with issues such as:



- Difficult behaviour at home
- Settling in and times of transition
- Helping your child through divorce and separation, particularly when it is hard to co-parent because relationships are difficult
- Coping with bereavement and trauma
- Accessing parenting courses
- Supporting family with SEN
- Dealing with friendship worries and much more.
- Accessing support when families face a wide range of issues such as: eviction, unemployment, domestic violence, mental health crises.

She also is able to give out food bank vouchers to those in need. If you would like to contact her you can do so by emailing nlenon@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk



CHRISTMAS FINISH On the last day of term the 20 December 2019 we are finishing early at **1:30pm**. Beehive will run from 1:30 to 4:30pm.

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. Chris Rossiter (Chair of Governors)

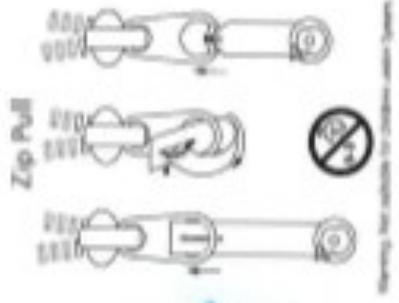
governors@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk Or via the school office



Reflector - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Snap band - **Suggested** Donation: £1.50



Warning: Not suitable for children under 10 years



Zip pull - **Suggested** Donation: 50p



Silicon wristband - **Suggested** Donation: £1.00