



# OAKLANDS INFANT SCHOOL

## OAK TREE NEWS

Deep roots for future growth



Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have settled back into school life and everyone is engaging in their new topics. The school definitely feels calm and do I dare say - 'normal'. We are having many discussions about the summer term and looking ahead to autumn, and all the things that we 'usually' do and can these happen? All I can say is that I don't know at the moment and as always, it will be determined by Government guidance. However, we will ensure that the final term will be a fun one and the children have a positive ending to another turbulent year.

Best wishes

*Mrs O'Neill, Headteacher*

### SCOOTERS ON SITE

Please could we kindly remind you that scooters and bikes are **not** to be ridden on site. It is important that everyone walks to protect adults and children around school.

### LAURIE LEAF

Children who have received a Laurie leaf:

**Ash:** Thea, Hannah, Patrick and Mia

**Willow:** Arthur, Aiyla and Chloe

**Chestnut:** Jacob, Nia, Matilda and Oliver

**Silver Birch:** Michael, Lilly, Beatrice and Fynn

**Beech:** Frankie, Harry, Hugo and Izzy

**Elm:** Ollie R, Poppy, Flynn and Hamish



### GOLDIES

Ruby in Ash

### CENSUS DAY - THURSDAY 20 MAY

Census day this term is on Thursday 20 May. 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. Please could we therefore ask for your support on this day.

Thank you.

**Thursday 20 May**

**Main: Fish and chips**

**Vegetarian: Roasted pepper and tomato quiche with chips**

**Vegetable: Garden peas**

**Jacket potato with beans and cheese**

**Pudding: Cookie**

**Friday 21 May**

**Main: BBQ chicken breast and baked wedges**

**Vegetarian: Margherita pizza with baked wedges**

**Vegetable: Sweetcorn**

**Jacket potato with beans and cheese**

**Pudding: Blueberry muffin**



## YEAR 1

Year 1 has had a super start to our Far, Far Away topic. The children were ever so excited during their Chinese Workshop sessions, which gave them a chance to experience elements of Chinese culture. There is little doubt that being part of the dragon procession was the obvious highlight! The children have also experienced a Chinese school morning during which they lined up in rows to follow us in an exercise session, which was a challenge for everyone's skills of balance and coordination – adults and children alike! Year 1 also tried their hand at Chinese calligraphy, learned how to use chopsticks and finally tasted stir-fried noodles and vegetables. We must thank Mrs Thompson and Mrs Brown; it is no mean feat cooking a stir-fry for 30 people on a portable hob! We have been impressed by the way the children have embraced this fact-based topic and we are looking forward to learning more about the world around us through the remaining fun activities.





## TERM DATES 2021

Summer term starts: 19 April 2021

Bank holiday: 3 May 2021

Half term: 31 May - 4 June 2021

End of term: 20 July 2021 (From 1:30pm)

Inset Day: 21 July 2021

Inset Day: 1 September 2021

Start of Term: 2 September 2021

Inset Day: 22 October 2021

Half Term: 25 – 29 October 2021

End of term: 17 December 2021 (From 1:30pm)

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

On Monday 14 June 2021 we will be having class photos taken. Please ensure girls are wearing summer uniform.



## BIRTHDAYS

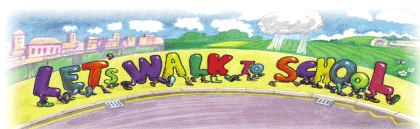
We would like to wish a very happy birthday to:

River in Willow, Bronwen in Chestnut, Emerson in Chestnut, Harry in Chestnut, John in Beech, Felix in Beech, Elio & Hugo in Beech



## WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK 17– 21 MAY

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. 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 – this will earn a sticker too! Please join us in encouraging your child to exercise and enjoy their local environment by walking to school!



Please let us know if you have a **POSITIVE** COVID-19 case in your family.

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## CONTACT US

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## SCHOOL CONTACT DETAILS

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## GOVERNING BODY

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)

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Or via the school office

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