



# OAKLANDS INFANT SCHOOL

## OAK TREE NEWS

*Deep roots for future growth*



Dear Parents/Carers,

As I am sure you are all aware, the Government has not yet lifted restrictions and the road map has been delayed. The Infants will continue functioning as we have been and there will be no changes to the procedures currently in place.

I would like to send belated wishes for Father's Day, I hope you all had a wonderful day.

Best wishes

*Mrs O'Neill, Head teacher*

### CASEY LEAF

Children who have received a Casey leaf:

**Ash:** Kiran, Jia, Stanley and Luca

**Willow:** Emma, Abigail, Maria and Billy

**Chestnut:** Amanda, Thomas, Elodie and Darcey

**Silver Birch:** Isla, Jemima, Ethan and Isabelle

**Beech:** George, Rosie, Thea and Tudor

**Elm:** Gracie, Isaac, Victor and Jack P



### PARKING

Please could we remind all parents and carers NOT to park on the pavements.

In most places, pavement parking bans are enforced by the local council. But they can only charge you if you're parked on yellow lines or if signs say it's not permitted. If you've been caught parking on the pavement by the police, you could be charged with "unnecessary obstruction of any part of the highway"



### STAFFING

At the end of term, we will also be saying a few more goodbyes. Mrs Thompson (Teaching Assistant in Chestnut) will be retiring after being at the Infants for an astonishing 21 years!

Mrs Marsh (Teaching Assistant in Willow class) is also leaving us, after being here for around 13 years.

Mrs Baker (Teaching Assistant in Willow class) is returning to secondary school teaching after being with us for six years.

I would like to say a big thank you from myself and the whole school community for your dedication to the school, you will all be missed.

Also Mrs Shrieve will be joining us from September. Mrs Shrieve will be job sharing with Miss Weston in Elm Class and will be in school on the transition day.

### LOST PROPERTY

Lost property! Class jumper boxes are full of unnamed jumpers/cardigans. So a reminder for any parent missing a jumper to check the class jumper boxes.

#### Tips to avoid your child's property:

1. Name it! Every time you wash it check the name is still visible. We find lost items all day and manage to return many items to children's pegs because they are named.
2. If your child comes out of class without their property LOOK FOR IT STRAIGHT AWAY—wait until all the children have left the classroom and ask to check the class.
3. If you think the item may be un-named keeping checking lost property—sometimes lost items take a while to find their way to lost property.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL REMAINING AND UNCLAIMED LOST PROPERTY AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IS RECYCLED.**

## JUDO SUMMER CLUB



**OLYMPIC SUMMER JUDO CAMP**  
**@OAKLANDS INFANT SCHOOL**

Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd August 2021  
9:00am to 3:15pm  
Booking link: <https://jwjudo-club.class4kids.co.uk/camp/5>

Follow us:  
   
[www.jwjudo.co.uk](http://www.jwjudo.co.uk)

 

## STEPUP FOUNDATION



**SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB**  
Edgbarrow School, Crowthorne  
Thursday 22nd July to Friday 27th August  
8.30am to 4.00pm OR 8.30am to 6.00pm  
for more information visit  
[www.stepupfoundation.org.uk](http://www.stepupfoundation.org.uk)

 **StepUp Sports Coaching**  
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## CAR IDLING AND PARKING

Please could we remind parents and carers not to sit in their cars with engines idling when picking up and dropping off. We know when it is very hot and we all like to sit in the car with the air con on but for local residents it's really unpleasant, especially as so many of people are now working from home and have our windows open.

Please remember that car idling is an offence under the Road Vehicle Regulations Act (1986).



## LUNCHTIME CONTROLLERS

### We Need Lunchtime Controllers!

We have immediate vacancies for lunchtime controllers. The hours are 12 – 1.30pm, and the enhanced holiday rate is £11.40. Please contact the school office for further information:

[finance@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:finance@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk)  
OR call the office on 01344 774644



## MORGAN RECREATION GROUND



Crowthorne Parish Council has arranged for the replacement of the Tiger Mulch surfaces under the play equipment at the Morgan Recreation Ground in July this year and has been given the opportunity to choose the colour of the Tiger Mulch. As we know, it's not the grown ups who use the play equipment, but the pupils in our local schools. We would therefore be grateful if you could vote for the colour of Tiger Mulch they would most like to see at the park.

[Vote on your play area colour at Morgan Recreation Ground! - Poll Results | StrawPoll.com](#)



## YEAR 1

Year One have embarked on our 'And It Grew' topic with great enthusiasm. On the first morning of term we explored the woods at the edge of the school field using all our senses. The children were excited to feel the tree trunks and leaves, they listened to birds and they talked about how it feels to be in the wood. We discovered more about trees on our trip to Woolley Firs and they loved dressing up as bees and flowers and collecting the pollen as they learnt about the importance of pollinators. We are hearing from them about how their sunflowers are growing at home and in school our beans have sprouted and we hope to eat some fresh beans in a few weeks.



### NATIONAL THANK A TEACHER DAY—WEDNESDAY 23RD JUNE 2021

On Wednesday 23rd June 2021 it was national 'thank a teacher' day.

On behalf on the Infant School we would like to say thank you to all our Teachers and support staff. We really appreciate all your hard work and dedication to your jobs. You are amazing!



## SUMMER READING CHALLENGE—WOKINGHAM BOROUGH LIBRARIES

The Summer Reading Challenge combines FREE access to books with fun, creative activities during the summer holidays. Throughout the Challenge, library staff and young volunteers support the children, helping them to discover new authors and illustrators and to explore a wide range of different types of books and ways of reading.



**WILD WORLD HEROES**

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

**Pop into your local Library or join online**  
<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk>

- **Collect your starter pack**
- **Read 6 books, borrow or download**
- **Collect your Finisher pack**

**Challenge runs from**  
**Saturday 10 July to Saturday 29 August 2021**

**Open to all primary school aged Library members**

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## COVID SOCIAL AWARENESS IN THE COMMUNITY

### TEST AND TRACE ACTIVITY

Please note that there has been a positive COVID case at Oaklands Junior School in Year 6. We are asking parents and carers to engage as part of the school's test and trace activity to capture any close contacts that take place outside of the school site.

***'If you are aware that your child has had social contact with someone who has tested positive and is currently self-isolating, please can we ask you to let us know and keep your child in isolation also. We take our Covid secure measures seriously in school and follow robust DfE guidance to keep our community safe. We know that this is difficult when the rules beyond the school gate are slightly different, and pupils and families may be mixing within the boundaries of national social guidance or attending activities and hospitality together. We are working hard to ensure we keep the virus contained and limit its impact on our community and the education of our children. Any help you can give in this is most welcome and we thank you for your continued support'***





### TERM DATES 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)

### MRS BUNCE—SENCO



Please contact me through  
[admin@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk)

Or ring on 01344 774644

I am Mrs Bunce and I try to help children get any extra help and support they might need to make learning a positive and happy experience.

If your child seems to be having any difficulties with their learning, whatever the cause, their class teacher is the first point of call. However, if more assistance is needed or you are still concerned, you can make an appointment to come a talk to me.

Please phone or pop into the office to arrange a convenient time. Our website has information that may help you too.

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

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### BIRTHDAYS

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to:  
Jaxon in Ash, Billy in Willow, Amber in Ash, Liana in Ash,  
Michael in Beech, Flynn in Elm, Joey in Elm and  
Nathan in Beech.



### CONTACT US

FAMILY SUPPORT ADVISOR - Nikki Lenon  
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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)  
[governors@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:governors@oaklands-inf.wokingham.sch.uk)

Or via the school office

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