



OAKLANDS INFANT SCHOOL

OAK TREE NEWS

Deep roots for future growth



Dear Parents/Carers,

I can't believe how quickly this term is going, it's been a busy few weeks already. I've been lucky enough to have covered in Willow, Chestnut and Elm class over the last two weeks which was a joy! This term there are lots of whole school events taking place including NSPCC number day, National Story Telling week and celebrations of learning. These events are listed in our spring dates but we will also post reminders in our newsletter.

Best wishes

Miss E Weston

Acting Headteacher



Class	Date	Time
Ash	Monday 6 th February	2.45pm
Willow	Monday 6 th February	2.45pm
Chestnut	Friday 3 rd February	9.00am class assembly in the hall
Silver Birch	Tuesday 7 th February	2.50pm
Beech	Thursday 9 th February	8.40am
Elm	Thursday 2 nd February	2.50pm



Children who have received a Solo leaf
(now on display on the Oak Tree in the hall):

Ash: Margaret, Jack B, Sophie I and Dylan.

Willow: Hugo, Jess, William and Mason.

Chestnut: Ella, Elijah, Thea and Rea.

Silver Birch: Ava, Leo, Chelsea and Miesha.

Beech: Isla, Lilibeth, Emily and Max.

Elm: Florence, Emmie, Poppy and Nathan.



On Friday 13th January ourselves and the Juniors held a non-uniform day to raise funds for Thames Valley Air Ambulance. Oaklands Schools raised a total of £543.82 so thank you all for your generosity.



Number Day 2023

Once again we are going to be participating in this year's NSPCC number day on **Friday 3rd February**. On this day the children are encouraged to come to school dressed as a digit/number and bring in a minimum donation of £1. The money raised will go directly to the NSPCC.

Dressing up ideas:

- Dress up as a digit- wear a onesie to represent 1, a tutu to represent 2, or a three piece suit to represent 3
- Dress up as a dice
- Wear something with a number on it like a football kit
- Dress up as a playing card
- Decorate an old t-shirt with numbers or number representations
- Dress up as a clock
- Dress up as a piece of Numicon



Get as creative as you want!





READING NEWS



National Story Telling Week 2023: Celebrating Story

Here comes a wonderful National Storytelling week 2023:

Sat 28th Jan - Sun 5th Feb

I'm looking forward to reading some of the nation's favourite story books to each year group over the week. But what will you be reading during the week? You could share some of your favourite books from your childhood or even watch some classic stories being brought to life by people you might know, see link below.

A reminder for you....as you know reading is so important and is a huge part of everyday life. We monitor reading records frequently and we have noticed that some children aren't reading at home as much as they used to. Please remember to listen to your child read as much as possible, even if it's only a few pages each day. Children can read to yourselves, a grandparent, an aunt or uncle etc.

Remember to sign the reading records so we know they have read at home.

Miss Weston

Just some stories to view on: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/ks1-english/z67ncqt>



Tales From Around The World

A series of short animated films based on folktales from around the world.



Little Red Riding Hood

The story of Little Red Riding Hood told over the course of seven fun video clips.



Jack and the Beanstalk

An animated version of the classic fairy tale featuring Jack, Daisy the cow, some magic beans and a very big Giant!



The Tales of Beatrix Potter

Age 5 - 7. A collection of Beatrix Potter's best-known stories, read by famous voices.



Traditional Tales - Lakshmi and the Clever Washerwoman

The traditional Hindu tale is told in two animated videos for KS1 pupils.



Traditional Tales - Anansi and the Moss-Covered Rock

The traditional West African tale is told in two animated videos for KS1 pupils.



Dates for Parents Spring Term 2023

Date	Activities in January
Spring 1	Character Focus: Solo
Monday 23rd	Year 1 trip to Windsor Castle
Monday 30th – Mon 6th Feb	National Storytelling Week
Date	Activities in February
Friday 3rd	Chestnut class assembly 9am in the hall NSPCC Number Day
Monday 6th – 12th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 7th	Safer Internet Day Parent Afternoon with Family Support Adviser – details to follow 3.30 – 6.00pm: Parents Evening
Wednesday 8th	Foundation Stage Early Reading/Writing parent workshop – Details to follow
Thursday 9th	3.30 – 7.00pm: Parents Evening
Friday 10th	Break-up for half-term
HALF-TERM	Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2023
Spring 2	Character Focus: Ivy
Monday 20th	Inset day
Tuesday 21st	Children return to school Start of Maths Week
Tuesday 21st – Tues 7th March	Book Fair
Friday 24th	Celebrating 100 days in school
Date	Activities in March
Thursday 2nd	World Book Day
Week beginning 13th	TBC Science day
Friday 17th	Red Nose Day
Tuesday 21st	Year 2 trip to Pizza Express
Friday 24th	Silver Birch class assembly 9am in the hall
Wednesday 29th	Year 1 Reading and Writing parent workshop details to follow
Friday 31st	1.30pm: finish for Easter holidays
EASTER HOLIDAYS Monday 3rd April — Friday 14th April	
Date	Activities in April
Monday 17th	Return to school



Oakland Schools
Dates for the academic year 2023 - 2024



Date	Autumn term 2023
Friday 1 st September	Inset day
Monday 4 th September	Return to school
Friday 20 th October	Finish for half term (3.30pm)
Monday 23 rd October – Friday 27 th October	Half term
Monday 30 th October	Return to school
Friday 15 th December	Finish for Christmas holidays (1.30pm)
Monday 18 th December – Monday 1 st January	Christmas holidays
Date	Spring term 2024
Tuesday 2 nd January	Trust Inset day
Wednesday 3 rd January	Return to school
Friday 9 th February	Finish for half term (3.30pm)
Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February	Half term
Monday 19 th February	Return to school
Thursday 28 th March	Finish for Easter holidays (1.30pm)
Friday 29 th March – Friday 12 th April	Easter holidays
Date	Summer term 2024
Monday 15 th April	Return to school
Thursday 2 nd May	TBC Polling/Election day (Inset day) *
Friday 24 th May	Finish for half term (3.30pm)
Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May	Half term
Monday 3 rd June	Inset day
Tuesday 4 th June	Return to school
Friday 19 th July	Finish for summer holidays (1.30pm)
Monday 22 nd July	Inset day
Tuesday 23 rd July	Inset day
Inset days: Friday 1 st September 2023 Tuesday 2 nd January 2024 (Trust Inset) * Thursday 2nd May 2024 (TBC Polling/Election day) – Please note an Inset day will only apply on this date should the School be closed as a result of Polling/Election day. Monday 3 rd June 2024 Monday 22 nd July 2024 Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	

**THE BEEHIVE FEBRUARY
HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS**
13-17 FEBRUARY 2023

NEW! Sublime Science session!*

Fun activities for all!
Open to all children aged 3-11 Years
Arts & Crafts, Team Sports, Baking, Bouncy Castles, Traditional Games, Tech and much more!

10% Sibling Discount!

CROWN WOOD & NINE MILE RIDE PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Morning 8am-1pm £20
Afternoon 1pm-6pm £20
All day 8am-6pm £36
Includes snacks & all activities!

*Additional £5 15/02/23

Reptile handling experience session!

The Beehive
OUT OF SCHOOL CLUBS

www.beehiveclub.co.uk 07769 881946 enquiries@beehiveclub.co.uk

CHANGE of DATE

Foundation Stage Parent Early Reading and Writing workshop date has now changed to 8th February.
Details to follow soon.



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Our lunchtime controllers are after some donations for lunchtime toys as some of ours have seen better days! We need: dolls, cars, Lego, space hoppers, hoops and role-play clothes (Age 4+). Any donations would be highly appreciated.



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