



OAKLANDS INFANT SCHOOL

OAK TREE NEWS

Deep roots for future growth



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we reach the end of the first half of the autumn term, we want to take a moment to celebrate everything the children have achieved over the past few weeks. It's been a busy and productive start to the school year, filled with learning and creativity.

Please can you make sure that the playground equipment is not used by your children while you are waiting in the playground, this is for health and safety reasons.

This half term we have seen our new Ash and Willow children settle well into Oaklands school life. We have been busy with parents' tours – over 50 families have been shown around, another 20 booked for after half term. Over the last week we have celebrated with Year 2 children in their class assemblies to their parents and carers, showcasing their learning of their topic 'Panic in Pudding Lane'.

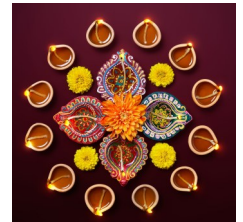
It's been wonderful seeing many parents/carers at our Celebration of Learning sessions for Reception and Year 1 children, as well as seeing you at parents evening. If you forgot or were unable to attend parents evening, please speak to the class teacher to arrange an alternative meeting after half term.

As we move into the half-term break, we hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved rest. Autumn is a beautiful time to slow down, reflect, and recharge before the busy weeks leading up to winter. We look forward to welcoming everyone back refreshed and ready for another exciting half term ahead on Monday 3rd December.

Wishing you all a safe and restful break and a happy Diwali for those that celebrated it.

Best wishes

Miss E Weston and Mr D Holland



Children who have received a Goldie leaf

(now on display on the Oak Tree in the hall):



Ash: Daisy, Frederick, Jesse, Savanna, Aria, Arthur M, Sienna, Oakley, Kenver and Hallie.

Willow: Baani, Ryan, Max, Carter, Laila, Arlo, Asher, Toby, Finley and Rudy.

Chestnut: Arthur C, Joseph, Harriet, Daisy, Isla, Evie, Gabriella, Julian, Hallie, Arthur W and Sonny.

Silver Birch: Lily A, George, Ellerie, Krisha, Maisie, Arhan, Lilly M, Jude, Nathan and Hugo.

Beech: Maya, Eden, Jessica, Antonii, Tallulah, Rosie, Willow, Ryan, Hadya, Demi, Jake and Zuzanna.

Elm: Henry, Rupert, Jools, Carys, Aiden, Isla M, JJ, Arabella, Jaxon, Lana, Esme and Isla Y.

Ash and Willow class both received whole class Goldie's from Miss McWhinnie (Lunchtime Supervisor) for coming into the lunch hall quietly, sitting sensibly and using their Marvellous Manners!

Knowledge Organisers

What are knowledge organisers?

Knowledge organisers are a summary of the key facts and essential knowledge that pupils need about a unit of work or a curriculum subject.

Each year group has developed knowledge organisers containing key vocabulary and knowledge along with visual prompts.

The Autumn 1 knowledge organisers are available on the learning pages of the website. This is so you can clearly understand what your child has learnt this half term and a good way for you to review and revise their learning. Regular retrieval of knowledge helps us remember more effectively and helps the children have a deeper understanding over time.

Click here: [Foundation Stage](#) [Year 1](#) [Year 2](#)



PARKING

Please remember to park safely and responsibly and not block in residents or park over their driveways as we have received a few complaints from our neighbours. Please also remember to drive safely in the surrounding area



DROP OFF REMINDER

Please could we just remind you that school drop-off is

8:40am-8:50am

At 8:50am the class doors will be shut and you will need to come through the school office, this is recorded as a late in the register.

Mr. Mo

By Roger Hargreaves



<http://uk.movember.com/>

This November, male members of staff at both the Oaklands schools might be noticeably hairier than usual.

It is all intended to draw attention to the important topic of men's health awareness.

Keep an eye out for posters during the month of November. Meanwhile, follow this QR code for more information.



LOOK what we're LEARNING!

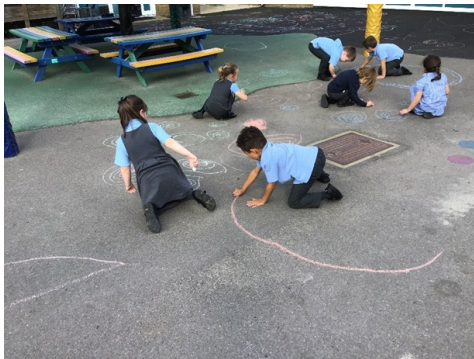
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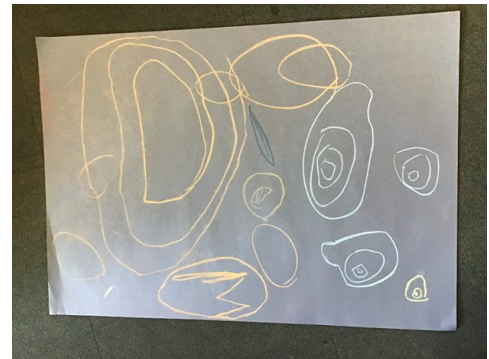
The new Ash and Willow children have settled into their new classes beautifully. We have had a busy term learning "All about me" and more recently, Autumn. We enjoyed walking around the school grounds spotting signs of Autumn. We particularly liked looking at the apple tree outside the office, some of



Year 1

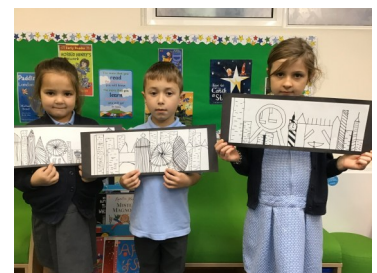


This term year one have enjoyed drawing circles and spirals inside and outside on the playground.



Year 2

Year 2 have had a fun filled and busy start to the year with our topic Panic in Pudding Lane. We have toured the U.K. and gone back in time to 1666.





READING NEWS



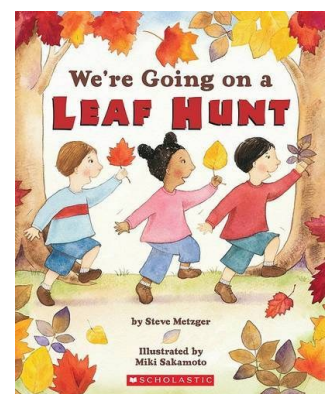
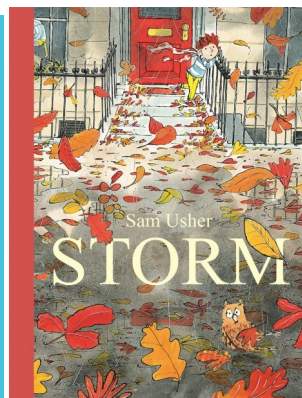
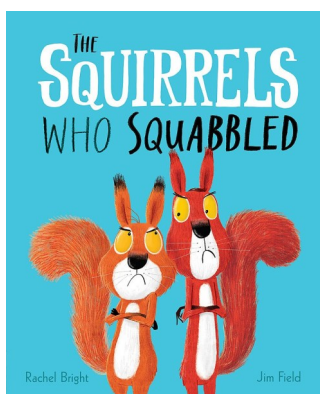
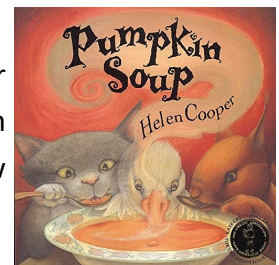
Today we held our Year 1 reading and phonic workshop. Thank you to those who came, we hope you found it useful. The presentation is available on our school website. See the link:

<http://oaklandsinfants.org/workshops/>

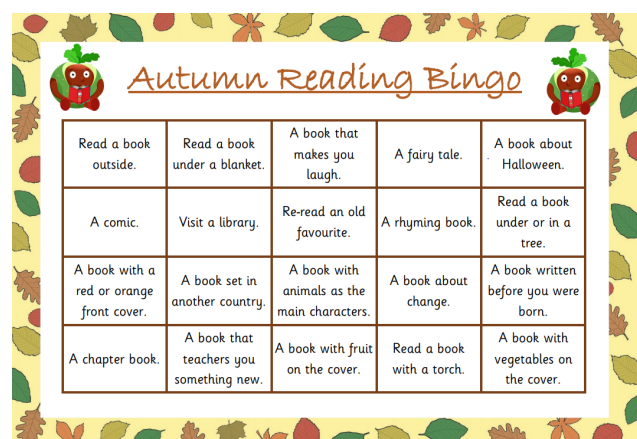


Autumn is well and truly here!

To keep reading fun during the half term you may wish to play our Autumn Reading Bingo. Create a den in the living room, wrap up warm and read a book in the autumn leaves, visit your local library and borrow some autumnal books...have fun reading this half term!



Please find attached to the newsletter an autumn reading bingo that your children might like to participate in to keep reading fun during the half term.



The Noticeboard



We will be selling the following items in the class throughout the week from **3rd November till 7th November**. Please bring cash only and the right money as no change will be given, suggested donations below.

Slap bands: £1.50

Wrist Bands :£1

Poppy Reflectors: 50p

Zip tags: 50p

Poppies: 20p



Cardwell & Simons

The Photography Specialists

Last chance to order the individual and sibling photos is by midnight on the **2nd November**.



PTA Fundraising Events: Our thanks go to our dedicated PTA who were involved in organising and running the following events this half-term. £187.90 has been raised from the hot chocolate sale and £240.86 has been raised from the uniform sale.

WEDUC

For our new reception parents, (reminder for our other parents) if you need to report your child's absence due to illness or a medical appointment please use the WEDUC (reach more parents app) to do this.



We're Hiring!



**Lunchtime Controller
Monday - Friday
Oaklands Infant School
Crowthorne**

Please see our website for full details:
<http://oaklandsinfants.org/our-school/vacancies/>



Donations



We are looking for donations for large outdoor games and toy cars for lunchtime and the foundation playground. If any of you have any that you are willing to donate, please drop them into the school office.

Crowthorne Parish Council

Xmas Art Competition

Crowthorne Parish Council is hosting a competition to create a poster for the Late Night Christmas Shopping event on Friday 5th December. This year the prizes are something special!

- There will be a £50 prize for the school that enters the most posters - calculated as a percentage of the school roll.
- There will be a £50 prize for the child that produces the best poster overall!
- There will be a £10 prize for the child that produces the best poster from each school - though the school must enter at least 30 posters.

Attached with this newsletter is the design sheet for you to fill in, please print it double sided with the name on the back. Posters are best when they are eye catching - bright, clear and done in felt tips.

Please return posters to your child's class teacher, ensuring their name and class are on the back by **Monday 10th November**.

Winning posters will be in the digital window displays in the High Street, feature on the front of the parish newsletter. However, all posters will be on display in the village shops from Friday 21st November so children can search for their poster along the shop and office windows in the High Street, Dukes Ride and Church Street.





Oaklands Infant School

Autum Term Dates 2025

HALF-TERM Monday 27 th October – Friday 31 st October	
Date	Activities in November
Monday 3 rd	Back to school
Saturday 8 th	PTA: Fireworks
Monday 10 th	Yr2 to visit St Johns church/Crowthorne library
Friday 14 th	Children in Need
Wednesday 19 th	Pm: Phonic workshop – FS: more information to follow
Friday 21 st	PTA disco
Date	Activities in December
Tuesday 9 th	9.15am: Christmas play performance
Wednesday 10 th	9.15am: Christmas play performance
Tuesday 16 th	AM: Pantomime – South Hill Park
Wednesday 17 th	PM: Carol Service
Thursday 18 th	Christmas lunch
Friday 19 th	Christmas jumper day 1.30pm: Break-up for Christmas holidays
Date	Activities in January
Monday 5 th	INSET DAY
Tuesday 6 th	Children return to school

THE BEEHIVE
OUT OF SCHOOL CLUBS

OCTOBER HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS
NINE MILE RIDE: 27TH-31ST

MONDAY 27TH SCOOTER WORKSHOP*
TUESDAY 28TH PETTING FARM*
WEDNESDAY 29TH SUPER HERO PARTY
THURSDAY 30TH FACE PAINTING
FRIDAY 31ST BUILD A BEAR*

Plus daily arts & crafts,
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and lots more!

For more information visit
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Morning: 8am-1pm £26
Full Day: 8am-6pm £45
*additional £5

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OUT OF SCHOOL CLUBS

OCTOBER HALF-TERM HOLIDAY CLUBS
CROWN WOOD: 22ND-31ST

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THAMES BASIN HEATHS PARTNERSHIP

FREE activities for kids

WILD HALLOWEEN

SPOOOOKY NATURE TRAIL & HALLOWEEN CRAFTS!

Ambarrow Court
Thursday 30th October 2025
10am - 2pm



tbhpartnership.org.uk/events/



FREE - Suitable for all ages - Drop-in - Dogs welcome

BERKSHIRE MUSIC TRUST

BERKSHIRE Mini Maestros



Mini Maestros

Come and try a fun, live music class for ages 0-7 at your local music centre in Bracknell!

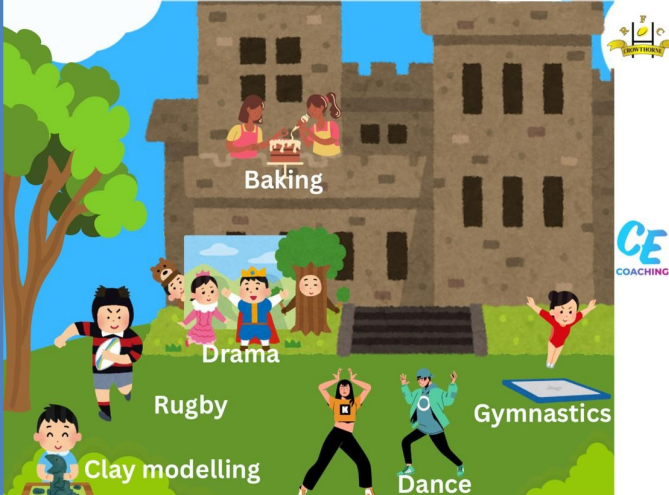
BRACKNELL MUSIC CENTRE	SATURDAY
Ranelagh School Ranelagh Drive Bracknell RG12 9DA	Preschool & Reception - 8.55am - 9.25am Year 1 - 10.05am - 10.45am Year 2 - 10.50am - 11.30am



To find out more visit our website www.berksmusictrust.org.uk or email admissions@berksmusictrust.org.uk for a FREE taster session!

The STRONG^{HOLD} KIDS CREW

Stay and Play Workshops
9:30 - 12noon; 27th-31st October 2025
3-8yrs, Crowthorne Methodist Hall
Pre booking required

Baking

Drama

Rugby

Clay modelling

Gymnastics

Dance

CE COACHING

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