Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter

Newsletter Friday 13th December



Dear Parents/Carers

This Week

This week the children attended an assembly where they learnt about the Christmas Traditions in the UK.

Next Week

On Monday and Tuesday the children in Year 2 will be performing their Christmas Concert to their parents.

On Thursday we are having a Christmas Cake Sale in the hall which will start at 3pm.

On Friday it will be the last day of school before the Christmas break and the children will be having their Christingle Assembly.

After School Clubs

All children who are attending an after school club **MUST be picked up at 3.50pm.** If children are collected late more than twice, then we will have no alternative but to remove them from their club (s). Thank you for your support.

Thursday After School Clubs

The Thursday After School Clubs are cancelled next week as we are having a Christmas Cake Sale in the hall straight after school.

Last Day of School

We break up for Christmas on Friday 20th December at the normal time of 3pm. All children are expected to return to school on Monday 6th January 2025.

Christmas Concerts

We would like to thank everyone who has attended the Christmas Concerts and for the generosity shown for the homeless people. With the money raised we will be purchasing waterproof sleeping bags which will keep them warm from -20 degrees. We will let you know the full amount raised next week.

Christmas Bazaar

Thank you to all who helped and came along to the Christmas Bazaar. We would like to thank the PTA for all their hard work and time. I am delighted to tell you that we raised £1360. Thank you all so much for your generosity.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan: Head Teacher



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Key Dates	
December	
16th & 17th	Year 2 Christmas Concerts
19th	Christmas Cake Sale 3pm
20th	Last day of school before the Christmas break
Menu	WC 16th December Week 1

Attendance

The class winners were Kingfishers in first place, followed by Hedgehogs and Ducklings.

Well done to all classes but especially Kingfishers whose reward will be extra time in the adventure playground.



CHRISTMAS CRAFT

Christmas Craft can be purchased from the classroom for £1



Reception Year 2025 Visit Days

If you or a friend are applying for a Reception place for 2025, please note we have some dates where prospective parents can visit us to look around the school. If you would like to book a space, please contact the school office.

Thursday 5th December 1.30pm

Thursday 12th December 10.30am

Menu Changes

Please note that there are some changes to the Lunch Menu.

When we return in January the Week 2 menu on Thursday will change from Lasagne to Spaghetti Bolognaise.

Due to work being carried out in the kitchen, chips will be substituted by diced potatoes with herbs, next Friday.

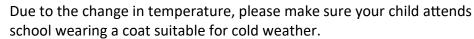


Head Teacher's Surgery

I hold a surgery every Thursday afternoon. If you would like to see me to discuss any issues, please contact the school office to make an appointment. Thank you.

Reminders

Coats



Labelling

Please make sure your child's clothes, bags and all other items are all clearly labelled, so they can be returned swiftly if lost.

PE Kits

All children must have a full PE kit in school which is clearly labelled.

Reading with Your Child

Please make every effort to read with your child daily and fill in their reading record each time.

Children that read at home make far better progress.

READ

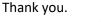
Car Parking

We have had complaints from the local residents that members of the school community are not parking safely.

Please can you take care when parking in Windsor Avenue.

Christmas Cake Sale

On Thursday 19th December at 3pm we will be having a Christmas Cake Sale in the hall. All cake donations would be gratefully received. Please provide a recipe with the cakes. Please bring the cakes on Thursday morning.





Reception & Year 3 Admissions for Academic Year starting in September 2025

If you need to apply for a Reception/Year 3 place for your child, please note this needs to be completed online. The application process is now open and the statutory national closing date for applications is 15th January 2025. Applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

Reducing our Carbon



Below are this week's tips on how to save money and reduce our carbon footprint.

THIS WEEK'S ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- **Water**: Take showers instead of baths, and fix dripping taps. You can also only boil the water you need.
- Freezer: Defrost your freezer every six months, and clean behind it.