

Oakwood Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

Newsletter: 7th February 2025



Dear Parents/Carers

This Week

On Monday, the children took part in an assembly where they learnt about the importance of school rules to keep us safe.

Lockdown

On Tuesday we took part in a precautionary lockdown. The children's safety is always my key priority. At 11.50am we received rumors that there may be a possible threat in the Clacton area. Although there wasn't an imminent threat towards our school, I still made the decision to lockdown.

The Daily Mail online paper reported that Oakwood received an email at 9am. This was incorrect. We never received an email. The first information I received was the rumour at 11.50am.

A small number of parents posted negative comments on social media related to this incident which caused upset. In future, I ask that parents do not discuss school related issues on social medial and if you have done so, please remove any posts.

If we experience any further lockdowns, for the safety of the children and staff parents should not arrive at the school site to collect their children as opening the external doors would compromise the safety of the children and staff. Thank you for your understanding.

Road Safety

Thank you to the Reception parents who attended the Road Safety sessions this week. These sessions were very informative and I would like to thank Ms Bloyce for providing these sessions.

Drumming Workshop

Next Wednesday and Thursday the children will take part in a drumming workshop. I hope they thoroughly enjoy this experience.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan
Head Teacher

Key Dates	
February	
11th	Reception Valentine Disco
12th	Year 1 Valentine Disco African Drumming Workshop
13th	Year 2 Valentine Disco African Drumming Workshop
14th	Non Uniform Day Last day of School
17th-21st	Half Term
24th	Non Pupil Day
25th	Back to School
Menu	WC 10th February Week 1

Attendance



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

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



CANCELLED CLUBS LAST WEEK OF TERM

Due to the discos taking place during the last week of term, please note that all clubs have now finished

REMINDERS

Children are to come to school in their PE kits on their PE/ Dance day.

Please aim to read with your child every day and complete their reading diary.

All grapes, tomatoes and such items are to be cut into pieces before placing in your child's lunchbox.

Please make sure that your child comes to school in their school uniform on a non PE/ Dance day.

Please do not ride bikes and scooters on the school premises and please do not leave scooters and bikes on the school premises overnight.

Thank you.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have Parent Governor vacancies. This is a very rewarding role within the school. If you would be interested, please make an appointment to meet with me.

Valentine Discos

A reminder that the Valentine Discos are being held during the last week of term.

Dates are as follows:

Reception 11th February

Year 1 12th February

Year 2 13th February

All discos start at 2.45pm and finish at 4pm. Please pick your child up from their normal classroom.

Spare clothes can be brought into school on the day for your child to change into, if they wish.

Non Uniform Day—Last Day of School

The last day of term, Friday 14th February, will be a non uniform day. All children are invited to wear their own choice of clothes to school in return for a suggested donation of £1. All money raised at this event will be used to purchase new resources for the children.

There will also be a special Valentine Menu on this day. More information will follow shortly.

Half Term Dates

The last day of school will be Friday 14th February.

Half Term is from Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February.

Monday 24th February is a Non Pupil Day.

ALL CHILDREN ARE EXPECTED BACK IN SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY.

Reducing our Carbon Footprint



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

THIS WEEK'S ENERGY SAVING TIPS

- Avoid drying clothes directly on your radiators as it lowers the room temperature, which means the boiler will need to work harder.
- Fix leaking taps or toilets.
- Only boil as much water as you need—ie don't boil a kettle full of water for one cup of tea.

