



OAKFIELD ACADEMY  
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

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## July 2021



### Jackdaws Year of the Guitar 2021

On Thursday 24th June, eleven of our Year 8 pupils were lucky enough to take part in the Jackdaws 'Year of the Guitar' project 2021 featuring professional guitar duo Eden Stell.

This year it was held at Oakfield Academy due to covid restrictions but what a treat it was to be able to have such an 'up close and personal' workshop with two incredibly talented musicians followed by a performance to members of staff and a few pupils. Eden Stell were so impressed by the quality of our pupils' performances that in a follow up email from Jackdaws they said "how amazing the workshop at Oakfield had been". Apparently they were "blown away by how brilliant the kids were and how many instruments were being used and to a good level which meant the piece could be played "proper" (sic!)".

The performance was recorded so we can look forward to receiving a copy and enjoying it again with friends and family. A

HUGE congratulations to all our pupils involved and many thanks to those staff who supported in any way.

## Vacancies

We currently have 2 vacancies, HR Manager and Finance Officer. Full job descriptions and application forms can be found on our website.

<https://www.eteach.com/job/hr-manager-1163690>

<https://www.eteach.com/job/finance-officer-1163436>

Closing date for applications is the 16th July.



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If you would like further information on any of the items in the newsletter, please contact the school office.

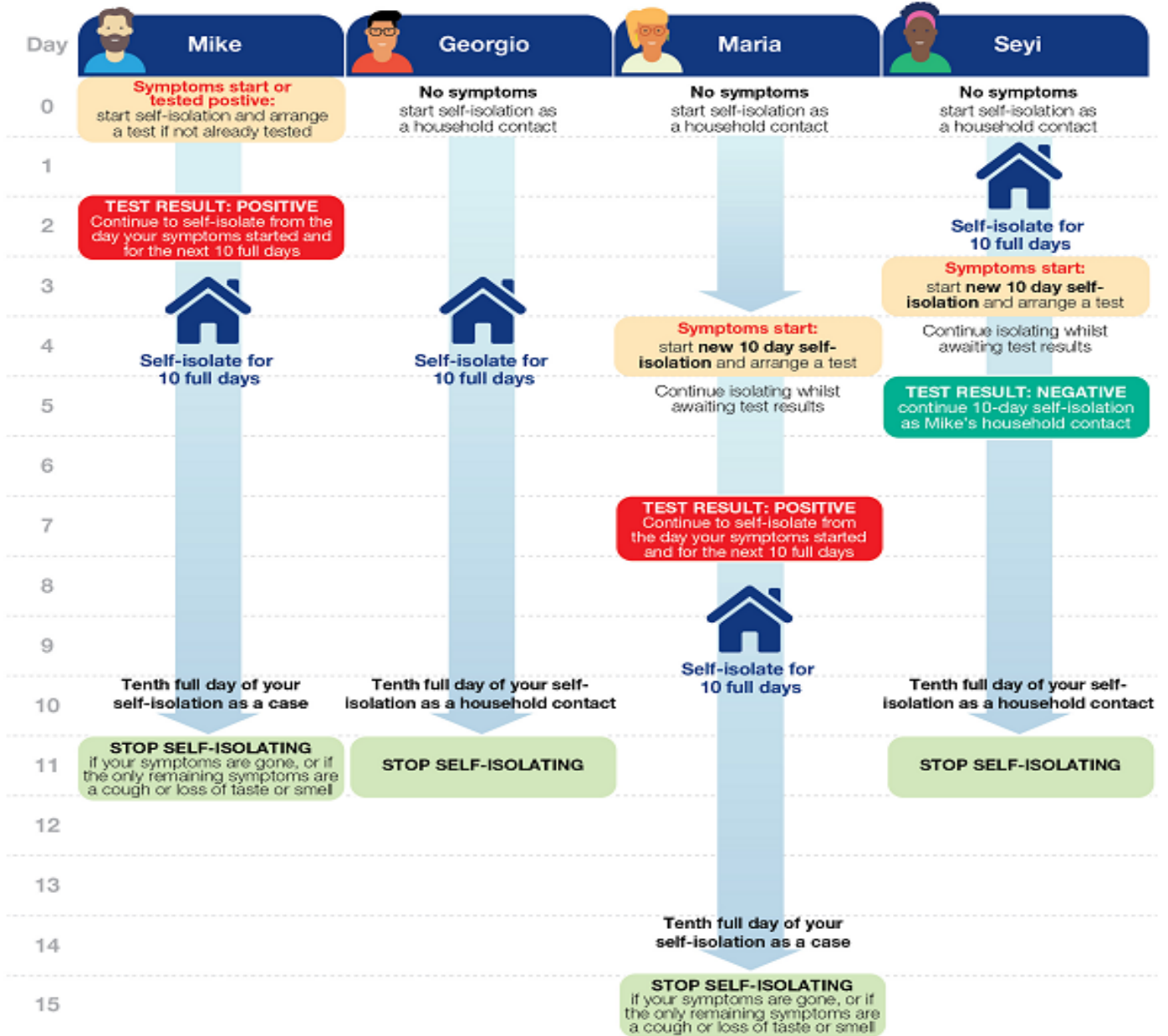
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# Stay at home and self-isolate.

Please see [detailed guidance online](#).

**Mike's household:** In this example, Mike lives with Georgio, Maria and Seyi. Mike is the first case of COVID-19 in this household. He and everyone in the household begin self-isolating from the day Mike's symptoms start (or if he had no symptoms, from the date of his positive test).



### Self-isolate for 10 full days.

You need to self-isolate from the day the first person in your household started symptoms and for the next 10 full days. If they did not have symptoms, self-isolate from the day of their test and for the next 10 full days.

### To self-isolate means:

Do not go to work, school, or public areas and do not use public transport or taxis. Only leave your home to get to your test if you need to, observe strict social distancing advice and return immediately afterwards.



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

## A message from the Library

All library books currently on loan will need to be returned to Mrs Coates before the end of term. Year 8 pupils: please don't forget to return you library books before you leave.

Thank you.



**Uniform sales during the summer holidays**  
**MONDAY 26 JULY**  
**TUESDAY 27 JULY &**  
**MONDAY 6 SEPTEMBER**  
**between 10am—2pm**



<https://www.ritesforgirls.com/>

This local group looks a great resource. Parents are able to contact directly if they wish for their child to join. There is a group in Frome now.

Henry Lewer (50) has been named as one of the Somerset County Golf squad for 2021 - what an amazing achievement! He had a summer of golf playing regularly, including entering the men's club competitions at Mendip Golf Club, where he is currently 7th in the men's order merit and junior tours both locally and in Cornwall.



Henry has had such a successful year, both in and out of school. He has shown tremendous ambition throughout his first year at Oakfield and he has been an excellent role model for his peers. Henry is an example of someone who knows that when we show pride and ambition in what we do, we will succeed. Well done, Henry!

## Bastille Day - Wednesday 14th July

# M E N U



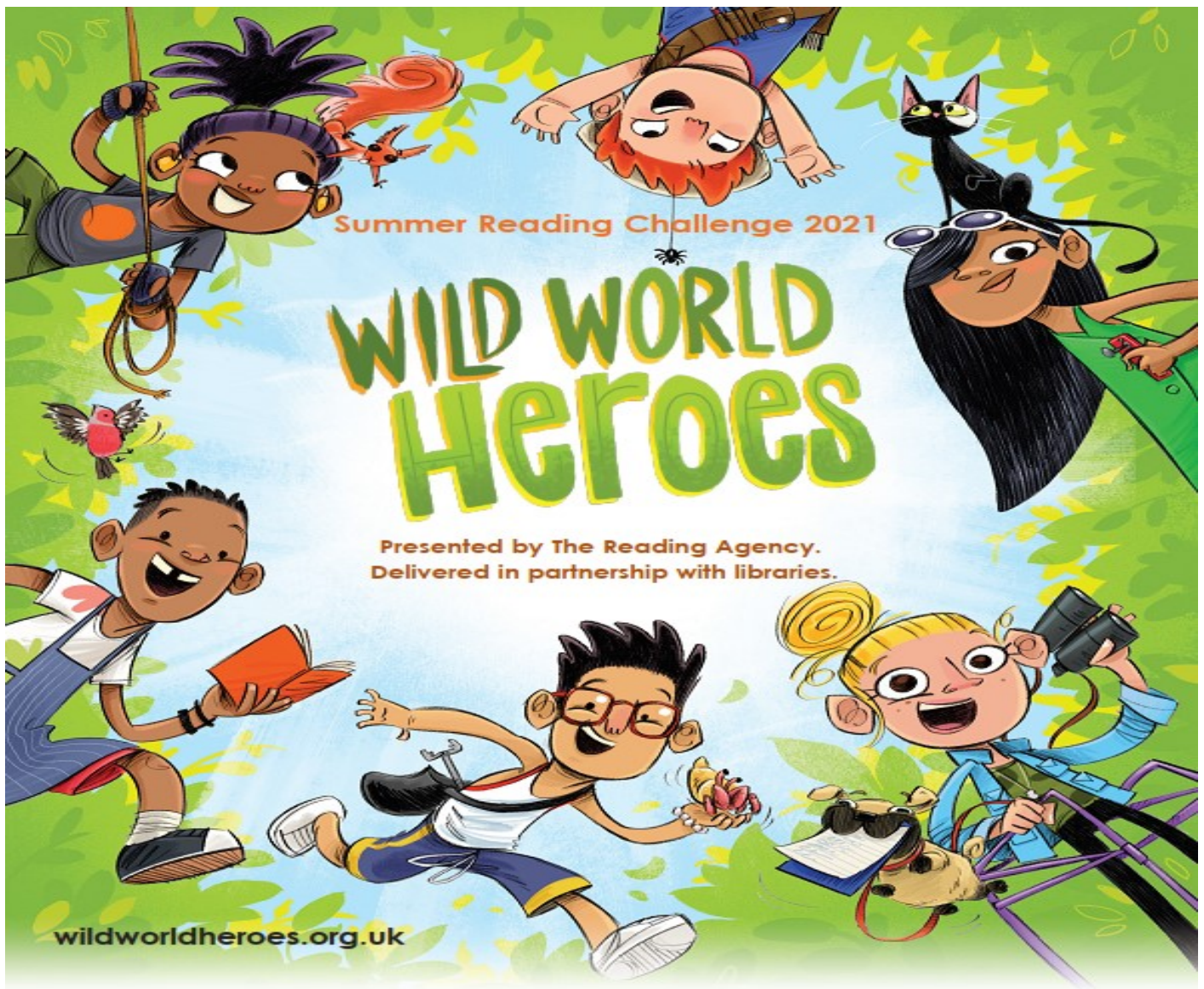
### Oakfield Restaurant

**French Bread Pizza with Herby Diced Potatoes**  
**Ratatouille Pasta Bake**  
**Petits Pois Peas & Carrots**  
**Crepes with Lemon & Sugar**



La belle du Marin en Caracot et Jupe à la Suzanne Chapeau au Chérubin Elle se promène au Palais Royal en agaçant le Chaland avec une Pastille quelle tire de sa Bombonniere pour lui offrir le signal du bonheur pariait

A Paris chez Boffrande D'Anjou A.P.P.R.



## Go wild for reading with the Summer Reading Challenge 2021!

The Summer Reading Challenge takes place over the summer holidays throughout the UK, and launches on the 10th July 2021. The challenge is the perfect summer activity to build reading skills and confidence during the long break from school. It is also a great boredom-buster should the weather prove to be less than favourable!

For 2021 the Reading Agency is partnering with the WWF for Wild World Heroes, a nature-themed challenge that will inspire children to engage with important environmental issues, from plastic pollution and deforestation to wildlife decline and nature loss.

At the heart of the Summer Reading Challenge is children choosing and sharing books of their choice, in any format. Novels, fact books, picture books, graphic novels, joke books, eBooks and audiobooks all count towards completing the challenge. Frome library is currently open and they are ready and waiting to welcome keen readers! Parents or carers can register children for the challenge in the library, and they will need to be library members (registration is free, quick and easy). Children will then receive a map, and for each book they read they will get a sticker to build towards completing the challenge. Alternatively, children can complete the challenge online by signing up via <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk> where they can also play games, enter competitions and much more. If completing the challenge online, children can borrow eBooks and audiobooks for free (with a library membership) via the following link: [https://www.librarieswest.org.uk/client/en\\_GB/default](https://www.librarieswest.org.uk/client/en_GB/default)

Please note children must read books borrowed via the library, whether physical copies or electronic/audio versions, if completing the challenge online.

There are participation certificates for each child that takes part and medals for those children who read at least six books over the summer, which we hope to be able to present in assemblies in September when we return to school.

We look forward to hearing all about your summer of reading and don't forget to recommend any fantastic books to Mrs. Coates!



## JACKDAWS' SUMMER PICNIC

On Friday 2nd July a few of our year 8 musicians spent a wonderful 'musical' sunny morning over at Jackdaws, Great Elm for the annual 'Summer Picnic'. After covid prevented last year's picnic from taking place we were all so excited to be back this year. Once again it was a magical morning of music making in the most beautiful surroundings. Congratulations to Hugo Holcombe, Tara Whitelaw, Harvey Scammell and Myla Oliver-Harwood for their inspiring performances and many thanks once again to Jackdaws for organising and hosting the event.

*Ms Parsons*  
*Head of Performing Arts*

# PLAY DAY

VICTORIA PARK & MARY BAILY  
WEDNESDAY 4TH AUGUST | 12PM - 4PM

A day of FREE activities for all ages. There'll be competitions, prizes and lots of fun to be had, including...

- Outdoor games
- Slacklining
- Martial arts
- Graffiti boards
- Skateboarding
- Rugby tots
- Gardening fun
- Creative crafts
- And many more!

All current Covid guidelines will be followed on the day.

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# PICNIC IN THE MEADOW

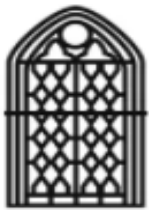
RODDEN MEADOW  
11TH JULY | 11AM - 2PM

Come and enjoy Frome Town Council's community picnic at Rodden Meadow. Bring your own picnic to this family friendly day or enjoy something from one of our vendors, and take part in a host of free nature inspired activities including:

- River dipping
- Nature trails
- Willow crown making
- Archery
- Sports day races
- And more!

All current Covid guidelines will be followed on the day.

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Marston Music

At Marston Church, just west of Frome, we are trying to develop a music venue. You might have noticed a couple of our events advertised as part of the Frome Festival. On Friday September 3<sup>rd</sup> we have organised a short, early evening concert by two very experienced players of unusual instruments and we wondered whether your pupils might be interested in listening to English, Scandinavian and French music which they would rarely normally hear. Tickets will be heavily discounted to encourage children to visit either with their parents or as a school activity.

More information can be found on our website [www.marstonmusic.co.uk](http://www.marstonmusic.co.uk) or please contact me either on [marstonmusicinfo@gmail.com](mailto:marstonmusicinfo@gmail.com) or on 07831 823 285. We look forward to hearing from you and for your support..



Well done to the students in our Flexible Learning Group who produced these fabulous stained glass artworks.



Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July is the last day of term and we close at 2pm on this day.

School transport will collect pupils at the earlier time on this day.