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We currently have vacancies for an Assistant Headteacher—INCLUSION and Assistant Headteacher—INTERVENTION.

For full details of the job description and application form, please click on the following links:

https://www.eteach.com/job/assistant-headteacher--inclusion-1209122

https://www.eteach.com/job/assistant-headteacher--intervention-1209121



Congratulations to Year 8 pupils, Lucas Ashby, Jacob Hillier and Fabian Dixon who were recently invited to trials for the Mid Somerset Football Team. This was a wonderful opportunity for them to play at a higher level and each boy stepped up to the challenge brilliantly. We all wish them great success in the future with their sport !

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As the day approaches you will be wanting to get yourself prepared for the fun and games ahead. We are going to run the usual competitions to be judged on the day so get preparing for:

- 1. Dress-Up as your Favourite Book Character
- 2. Get Caught Reading photography competition
- 3. Shoe Box Dioramas

### THIS YEAR'S THEME

In Greek and Roman times, reading silently to yourself was frowned upon. It was very popular for people to hold gatherings where they would read aloud to their friends. This year's World Book Day is all about us talking about our reading.

On World Book Day 2022, you are going to work on creating a 10-minute class video where you talk about your experiences with books. It could be anything really as long as it involves you talking about books and your passion for reading.

#### You could film yourself:

• Reading an extract of a favourite book in an expressive way. When reading aloud we must show enthusiasm for a story. And when appropriate, we should use funny voices or pull different facial expressions. Sometimes our voices need to be as loud as thunder. Sometimes we need to be as quiet as a mouse. Look at some of the '10 Minute Story Shares' and 'CBeebies Bedtime Stories' as inspiration.

- Giving an inspirational and persuasive speech to convince people of the importance of reading. Use the internet to research facts, ideas and real stories about the power of reading.
- Delivering a CBBC Newsround style report into 'Reading at Oakfield'.

Performing a David Attenborough style documentary on a non-fiction book you have enjoyed. ANYTHING, YOU DECIDE!

#### By the end of the day, your teacher will record and post your tutor group's 10-minute film onto the World Book Day 2022 Google Classroom.

Your films will be posted on our website and prizes will be given to our winners.

#### What do I do now?

- Get your competition entries sorted: costume, photo or shoe-box diorama
- Choose a book to bring in on the day
- Know the book read it in advance
- Like the book your enthusiasm will be infectious!
- Make sure the book is written well and your book is suitable for being read aloud
- Prepare choose an extract that features a character your audience can relate to
- Think about props, costumes, puppets...

# Uniform

You may have seen in the news recently that the government has produced revised guidance regarding school uniforms and in particular the cost.

The academy has reviewed the guidance, our uniform policy and explored other schools' uniform policy. We have considered not only the cost but the availability, where we source our uniform and ensure it is fit for purpose; easy to wash, practical, comfortable to wear etc.

As an academy without the need for specific requirement for items linked to 'houses' we have been able to reduce the number of items which can only be purchased via the academy. These items are our embroidered sweatshirt, tie and PE top. The PE hoodie is an optional extra and all other items of uniform can be purchased from high street retailers/online to keep costs as low as possible whilst the academy is able to have a uniform which pupils can wear with pride, have a sense of belonging and identity. All the items purchased via the academy are unisex and so can be passed to siblings/friends without needing to consider an appropriate fit.

Each summer we ask parents to donate any good condition, unwanted items of uniform which we now pass to Mrs Lesley Keegan who sells these on for a donation towards Lisas Army', a local charity the academy has supported. This ensures the life of our uniforms continue and waste can be reduced. Lesley can be contacted on 07964 993092.

The academy and trustees are always open to feedback regarding our policies and procedures so if you would like to get in touch regarding the Oakfield uniform, please do by phoning/emailing our reception.

Details of our Uniform policy can be found at <u>http://www.oakfieldacademy.co.uk/academy/uniform</u>.

# **Doddle Learn**

## Years 7 & 8— Science, Geography and History.

Do you want to support your Key Stage 3 child (Y7 & 8) with their Doddle homework in Science, Geography and History? If the answer is yes, you may want to go to www.doddlelearn.co.uk and set up a parent account.

Then, using your child's unique parent key, which you can get by contacting the Academy Office, you can link your account to your child's. You will then get alerts when homework is set, see how they are getting on and can encourage them to do it to the best of their ability. Please note, they can repeat tasks to improve their scores.

Hugh Gough, Head of Science



treat if necessary. Thank you.



Our second Years 5/6 Football Team that visited Millfield recently.



Farewell to our Librarian, Mrs Coates who is leaving us shortly to explore a different career. She will be sadly missed by both pupils and staff and we all wish her great success in the future.





After a break of two years, we were delighted to welcome Michael Bristow from AIRBUS who spoke to Year 8 pupils about jobs and careers in the aviation industry.

Due to unforeseen circumstances he was unable to talk to Year

7, however we are hoping to re-arrange that visit some time in the near future.



| 11 Feb     | Yr 8 HPV vaccinations                       |
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| 11 Feb     | Yr 8 and eligible Yr 7 Covid Vaccinations o |
|            | Booster Vaccinations                        |
| 11 Feb     | Yr 7 Window Wanderland Art Workshop         |
| 15 Feb     | Fundraisers Meeting 6pm                     |
| 18 Feb     | 5678 "C" Cake Sale                          |
| 19-27      | February Half Term Holidays                 |
| 28 Feb     | Term 4                                      |
| 3 Mar      | Yr 8 'Make it Happen' Speaker               |
| 3 Mar      | World Book Day                              |
| 16 Mar     | Jackdaws Assembly & Workshop                |
| 18 Mar     | Yrs 6 7 8 School Photographs                |
| 22 Mar     | Jackdaws performance at                     |
|            | The Cheese & Grain, 5.30-6.30pm             |
| 23 –24 Mar | Bikeability                                 |
| 25 Mar     | Fundraisers Bingo Night 6pm                 |
| 25 Mar     | 5678 "O" Cake Sale                          |
| 28 Mar     | Yr 8 'Make it Happen'                       |
| 29 Mar     | Yr 8 'Make it Happen'                       |
| 29 Mar     | More Able Yr 6 pupils visit                 |
|            | Frome College Science department            |
| 31 Mar     | Yrs 7 8 Careers Speaker, Sophie Hart        |
| 9-24 Apr   | Easter Holidays                             |
| 25 Apr     | Term 5                                      |
| 29 Apr     | 5678 "R" Cake Sale                          |
| 2 May      | Bank Holiday                                |
| 9-12 May   | Yr 6 SATS                                   |
| 24 May     | More Able Yr 6 pupils visit                 |
|            | Frome College Science department            |
| 27 May     | Save the date—watch this space !!!          |
| 27 May     | 5678 "N" Cake Sale                          |
| 28 May-    |   |
| 5 June     | Half Term Holidays                          |
| 6 Jun      | Term 6                                      |
| w/c 6 Jun  | Yr 8 Charterhouse Camps                     |
| 6 7 8 Jun  | Yr 6 day trips to Braeside                  |
| 24 Jun     | 5678 "S" Cake Sale                          |
| 6 Jul      | Transfer Day                                |
| 18 Jul     | Yr 5 Summer Trip                            |
| 21 Jul     | Yr 8 Leavers Trip                           |
| 22 Jul     | Last day of Term 6                          |





Congratulations to 5678 "A" for the donations to the Friends Cake Sale, a total of £81.40 was raised. The next sale is for 5678 "C" and will take place on the 18th Feb.

The next meeting will take place on 15th February at 6pm. Please call the office if you are able to attend and we'll confirm the venue. See you there !!