

# Newsletter

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OAKFIELD ACADEMY  
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE



We would like to wish  
our much loved PE  
Teacher and 80 Tutor,  
**Miss Pullen,**  
a long and happy  
retirement.

**L -> R**

**Congratulations to**

**Ramesa Khan 6R**

**Pepi Fraser Brownless 6O**

**Jacob Graham 6A**

**Ella Norris 6N**

**Nathan Sermon 6S**

**Ethan Hunt 6C**



**Yr 6 Students of the Week**



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# Beauty & The Beast



## MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM AN AUDIENCE MEMBER

"Please pass on a message to the production team and cast my congratulations for last night's performance of Beauty and the Beast. The show was full of personality and joy, reflecting the enthusiasm, dedication and sense of fun installed by the staff. It was a celebratory occasion in which I felt the whole audience left with a smile on their faces. It was mandatory! I've often been involved in large scale productions at the Merlin with all that entails but I think that there's a lot to be said for creating your own interpretation, avoiding massive costs and ensuring that tickets are affordable for all parents. I'm sure the cast can't wait to repeat last night's triumph. The audience are in for a treat."

# Beauty & The Beast

Well done to our wonderful pupils in Drama Club who put on two fabulous shows of Beauty & The Beast last week. We are so proud of you and all your hard work. You are all superstars! **MISS HAIG**

We couldn't be more proud of all the hard work our Drama Club has shown. Your dedication to creating a beautiful show has been outstanding throughout the many rehearsals both after school and even on weekends. **MISS MORRIS**

## THE CAST

**NARRATORS**—Jemima Platt, Ivy Sledge

**FIFI**—Otilie Timms

**SILLY GIRLS**—Sophia Dowson, Willow Hamblin, Lillian Tucker

**BEAST**—Rufus Parker

**COGSWORTH**—Amelie Leahey

**ENCHANTRESS**—Ava Corcoran

**MRS POTTS**—Romilly Squirrel-Bowman

**BELLE**—Astrid Bridges

**THE ROSE**—Isla Kemmery

**MAURICE**—Mark Salmon

**PRINCIPLE DANCERS**—Genny Conway, Sophia Dowson, Willow Hamblin, Lillian Tucker, Maddi Poole, Alice Humphreys

**CHIP**—Freddie Jones

**GASTON**—Ruben McCarthy

**LEFU**—Indigo Dixon

**MRS WOOD**—Emma Cawthra

**LUMIERE**—Pepi Fraser-Brownless

**VILLAGE ENSEMBLE**—Leah Ping, Jessie Ping, Mila Peet, Mila Biela-Claire, Poppy Hutchinson, Rhianna Laycock, Quin Hunter-Evans, Natalie Peet, Florence Andrews, Chloe Seewooruttun, Emily Baines, Eliza Castle, Ruby Westlake

**CASTLE ENSEMBLE**—Anya McCarthy, Bertie Magnano, Maisie Viner, Clementine Hibbert, Bluebell Turton, Laia Monerris Lucas, Charlie Wordsworth, Sofia Peet, Ella Seewooruttun, Levi Ashfield, Zoja Biela-Claire, Isla Castle, Libby Ashman





Year 6 have been working hard in lessons and after half term sees them put that hard work into practice.

On the 3rd March the gym will be set up for pupils to take their 'mock SATs'. This more formal set up has shown an increase in outcomes for our Year 6's and we hope to see this Year group do just as well.

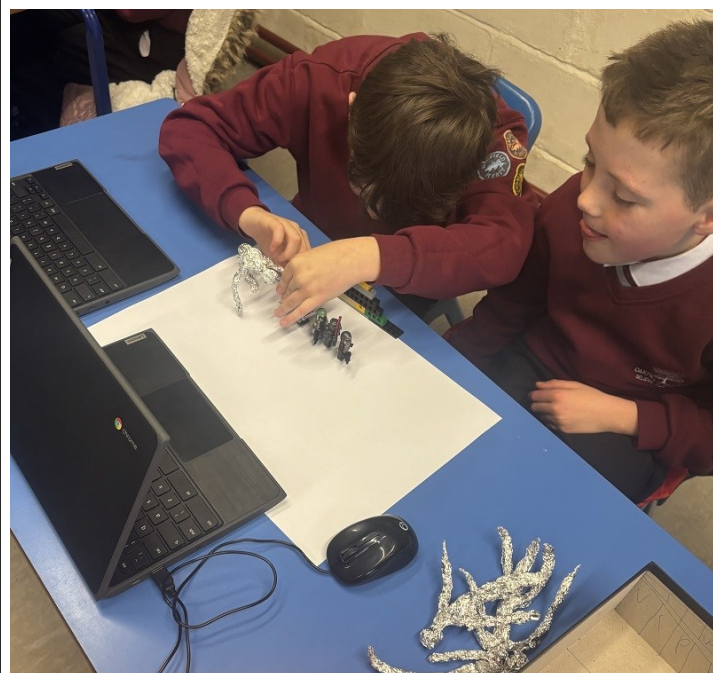
We also have placed some pupils in quiet spaces where we feel the gym space might be overwhelming, and

there will be adults on hand in other rooms to help support some pupils with reading the questions or providing extra time.

As we get closer to SATs in May I will be hosting a SATs evening for parents for you to raise any questions. **MR BOWKER, Deputy Headteacher.**

Our Year 5's have been creative geniuses this term. Inspired by Wallace & Gromit stop motion, we made an attempt at creating our own short films. Many skills were learned during this topic:

- Creating a film set
- Uploading images and audio
- Navigating video software



- Using AI applications for music and voice
- Persevering through tasks which require great patience

Our media creation topic was a huge success and the pupils enjoyed it thoroughly. Hopefully we now have a few aspiring film producers. **MR MEPHAM**

## Administration of Medication

When we return after the Half Term break the academy will no longer be administering non prescription medication to pupils, e.g. Paracetamol.

Medication will only be administered if it has been prescribed by the child's doctor and written consent and instructions have been received from the parent.

**Non prescribed medication will not be administered.**

There may be exceptions to this and where appropriate a parental request form will be completed. Wherever possible pupils should be enabled to administer their own medication with a level of supervision appropriate to the individual. If a child refuses to take the medication parents will be informed. If refusal could result in a medical crisis, then parents or ambulance will be summoned immediately as appropriate. This will be recorded on the medication administration form. Parents must inform the academy of any changes to the medication or its administration.

The academy will keep appropriate emergency medication, and pupils will carry their own appropriate emergency medication or agreed regular treatment eg Epi-pen, asthma inhalers, insulin injections.

## Cracking Cake Sale !

**Wow, Wow, Wow !!**

**The "O" Tutor Groups  
broke all previous  
records with their Cake  
Sale last Friday 7th,  
raising over £100—what  
an incredible  
achievement. Thank you  
to everyone  
who  
supported  
the event.**



**On Tuesday 11th February our "N" Tutor  
Groups enjoyed their  
House Reward Assembly.**



## ASDA VOUCHERS

Will be issued to Free School Meal parents approximately one week prior to school holidays;

**February Half Term**

**Easter**

**May Half Term**

**Summer Holidays**

**October Half Term**

**Christmas**

# RA

### Call for entries

An exciting opportunity for students aged 4–18, who are living and studying in the UK, to exhibit their artwork on site or online at the Royal Academy of Arts.

Open for submissions  
6 January – 5 March 2025

Find out more and enter  
[royalacademy.org.uk/youngartists](https://royalacademy.org.uk/youngartists)  
#RAYoungArtists

# Young Artists' Summer Show

## 2025

Royal Academy of Arts

Made possible by Robin Hambro

Frome Town Rotary



Frome Town Rotary



Bar

Raffle

Snacks

# CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT

A fun and light hearted evening to raise money for local causes, with bar & raffle

## Friday 21st March 2025

Oakfield Academy, Frome, BA11 4JF

Doors 7pm for 7:30pm start

### JOIN US

Teams of 4 / £5 per person

To book a table please email:  
[frometownrotary@gmail.com](mailto:frometownrotary@gmail.com)

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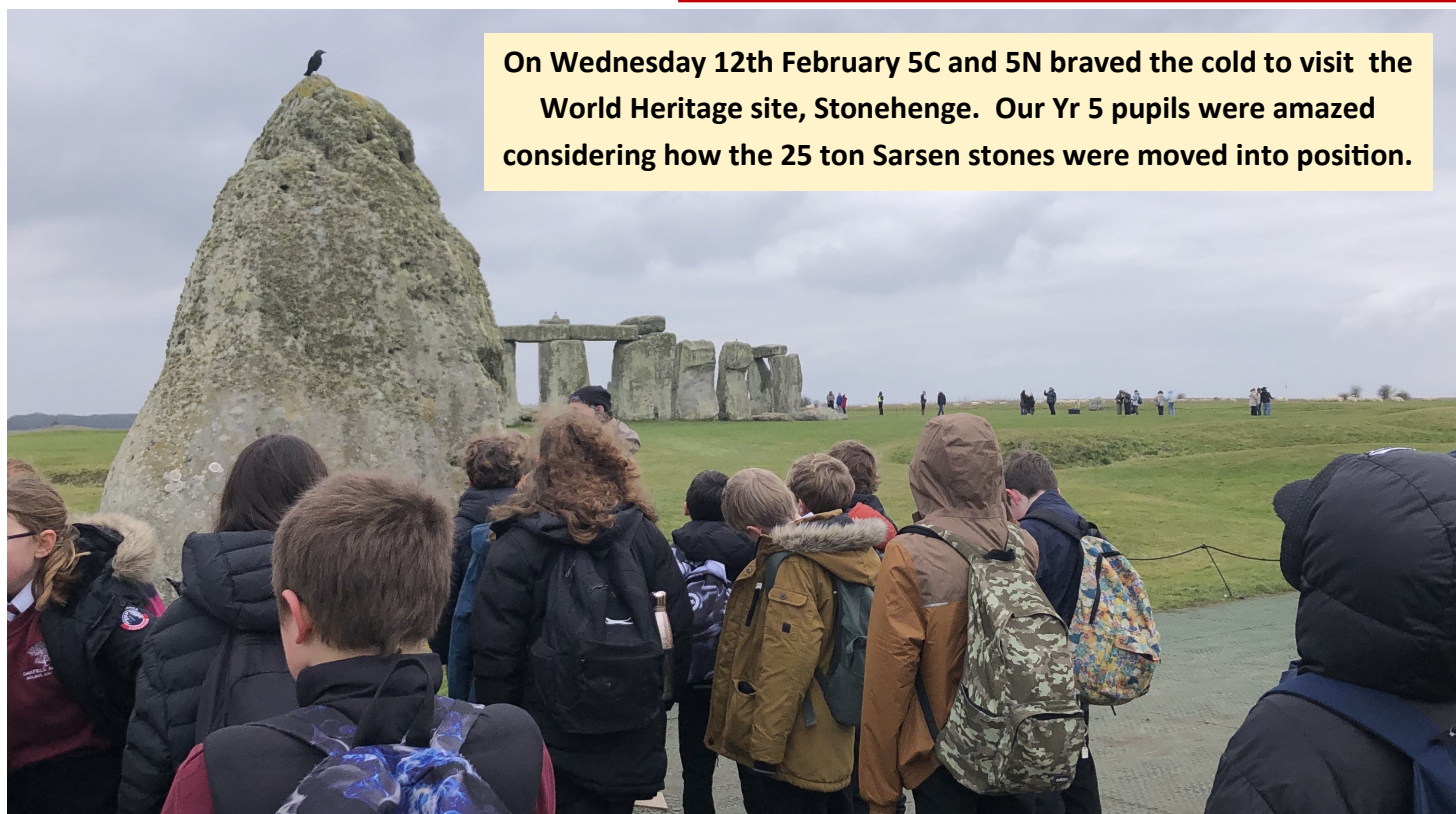


## DR BIKE MOT's

Tuesday 25th March

Only 12 spaces available—sign up via  
Parentpay

On Wednesday 12th February 5C and 5N braved the cold to visit the World Heritage site, Stonehenge. Our Yr 5 pupils were amazed considering how the 25 ton Sarsen stones were moved into position.





On Monday 10th February our "S" Tutor Groups enjoyed their  
House Reward Assembly.



## Family Holiday Activities at Wells Cathedral

### Medieval Masterpieces

17, 18, and 19 February 2025

Discover highlights of Wells Cathedral and make  
souvenirs to take home!

**Monday 17: Wonderful Windows** Take  
inspiration from the beautiful Cathedral  
windows to make your own artwork.

**Tuesday 18: Cosmic Clock** Experience the  
wonders of Wells Cathedral's Astronomical  
Clock and make a souvenir of your visit.

**Wednesday 19: Clay Creations** Explore the  
Cathedral carvings in wood and stone, then  
make a clay boss to take home.

**FREE with adult entry.**

No need to book – simply drop in on the day!

Sessions in the Education Room / Wells Cathedral

10.30am–3.30pm

There is no charge for children. Standard adult admission tickets include re-  
entry for 12 months from date of purchase, so you can enjoy access to a  
number of seasonal events, including exhibitions and Family Holiday Activities  
beyond your initial visit. Only assistance dogs are allowed at this activity.

EXPLORE • CREATE • DISCOVER



Wells Cathedral Registered Charity Number 1207269

**23RD  
FEB**

**BASSBEATZ**

**3.00PM  
TILL  
6.00PM**

**RAVING  
RASCALS**

**DJ WORKSHOPS / FACE PAINT / BOUNCY CASTLE**

**OPEN TO ALL AGES**

**DNB / UKG / JUNGLE**

**NINA LOVE**  
**DISRUPTION / RAYNER**

**LEMZ - LLOYDY**



**THE GLITTER TEMPLE**

**ROOK LANE CHAPEL FROME  
BA11 1DN**





**ABOVE** Year 5 Superkids (L->R) Betty Bartlett 5S, Mia Skubisz-Estevao 5R, Brody Keirl 5O, Sophie Hatherill Burgess 5C and Connie Travers 5A. Not pictured Robyn Tweedle 5N.

**BELOW** Year 7 Star Pupils of the Week (L->R) Rowan Wheeler 7O, Arlo Jenkins 7C, Ajie Joof 7N and Ruby Gaisford 7A. Not pictured are Lexi from 7R and AJ from 7S.







**Hunter Sheldon (5A) achieved his Level 2 Fire badge at Shared Earth Learning this week. Hunter lit a fire himself and used it to cook everyone lunch. We are very proud of you Hunter. Congratulations!**

# Library News

## Readathon Sponsor Card

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

OAKFIELD ACADEMY

Readathon runs from: Monday 24th February 2025

to: Sunday 8th March 2025

Pay sponsor money by: Friday 21st March 2025

read for good readforgood.org

## WELCOME TO THE READATHON!

This week all pupils have received their Readathon sponsor card ready for the Readathon to start after half term. Please support your child to decide on a reading goal, and please sponsor them if you are able!

## LOOKING AHEAD TO WORLD BOOK DAY

WORLD BOOK DAY  
6 MARCH 2025

**World Book Day will soon be upon us, so here are just a few reminders for you:**

- ALL pupils will need to come to school on World Book Day with a book that they are excited to share!
- They may dress up as something related to the book, but they may also bring an object or just wear a single item. Or they can just bring the book.
- The important thing is that, when pupils are planning for the day, they **start with the book** rather than with the costume.
- Pupils will be able to exchange their WBD tokens for £1 WBD books in the library at lunchtime if they think they may not be able to get to a book shop.
- We will also be selling WBD pin badges and bookmarks in the library for £4 each - cash only please.

## THURSDAY 6TH MARCH 2025

## ART UPDATE: Great News! BlackSwanArts

### We have competition funding

Great news! **Oakfield Friends** has provided funds for any Oakfield pupil to enter the Black Swan Young Open art competition in Frome. In our Enrichment sessions, all pupils have been shown how to generate ideas for the competition; I imagine some pupils will be ready to submit soon. Below is an update of the details of the competition and how to enter.



### BlackSwanArts

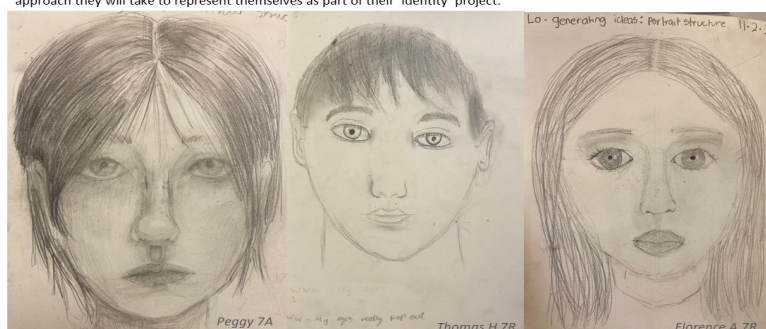
#### Black Swan Young Open competition:

Closing date for entries via Oakfield: **Tuesday 25 March**  
Closing date for entries direct to Black Swan: Saturday, 1st March  
Exhibition dates: 22nd March - 7th April  
Location: Black Swan Arts, 2 Bridge Street, Frome BA11 1BB

Oakfield 'Friends' has provided funds for any Oakfield pupil to enter the Black Swan Arts competition in Frome. Please give Ms Mundy artwork for entry (**deadline is Tuesday 25 March, please**). Families may still submit artwork independently if they wish, via the Black Swan Arts website. For family entry there is a £5 cost\*, with up to 4 entries allowed per person. \*The cost reduces the more submissions you enter.

## Year 7 portraiture

Year 7 have been generating ideas for self-portraits with 'do-it-now' drawing challenges. Pupils have been working on a range of approaches, including these examples focusing on formal portrait structure. After half term, pupils will decide on which approach they will take to represent themselves as part of their 'Identity' project.







**On Wednesday 12th February our  
“A” Tutor Groups celebrated their  
House Reward Assembly.**



# Diary Dates

w/c 17 Feb	Half Term Holidays
24 Feb	Term 4
w/c 24 Feb	Whole school Assessment Week
26 Feb	Yr 6 Heights & Weights
6 Mar	World Book Day
12 Mar	Golf Event—Yr 3
12 Mar	Yrs 6 7 8 individual photos
19 Mar	Spring Autumn House Games
20 & 21 Mar	Bikeability
21 Mar	Red Nose Day
25 Mar	Dr Bike—bike MOT's
26 Mar	Golf Event—Yr 3
3 Apr	Oakfield's Got Talent
4 Apr	"R" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
w/c 7 Apr	Easter Holidays
w/c 14 Apr	Easter Holidays
21 Apr	Bank Holiday
22 Apr	Term 5
9 May	"N" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
w/c 12 May	SATS Wk Year 6
w/c 19 May	Yrs 5 7 8 Assessment We4ek
w/c 26 May	Half Term Holidays
6 Jun	Yr 5 (2 classes) visit Stonehenge
6 Jun	"S" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
9 & 10 Jun	Bikeability
w/c 9 Jun	Yr 8 Paris Trip
17 Jun	Yrs 7 & 8 Sports Day
18 Jun	Yr 3 Olympics (9.30-11.30am)
25 Jun	Yr 4 Olympics (9.30-11.30am)
30 Jun	New Parents Evening
1 Jul	Yrs 5 & 6 Sports
2 Jul	Transfer Day
3 Jul	Whole school photograph
w/c 7 Jul	Activities Week
7 & 8 Jul	Bikeability
9-10 Jul	Yr 6 Activity Days (details to follow)
9 Jul	Reports home
11 Jul	Yr 8 University visit
14 Jul	Yr 8 Presentation Evening
16 Jul	Summer Shows
17 Jul	Yrs 5 6 7 Book Look
17 Jul	Yr 8 Leavers Trip
18 Jul	Last day of Term



We currently have spaces at our  
Breakfast Club

If you are interested in your child  
attending, please email the office and  
we will get back to you to confirm  
booking and costs.

## Photographs

If for any reason you do not wish  
your child to have their photograph  
taken for the newsletter/website  
etc. please ensure that your child is  
aware of this so that they do not  
join a team photo for example,  
that we then cannot use.

Thank you for your support.