

Newsletter

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OAKFIELD ACADEMY
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE



On Wednesday this week our photographers Fraser Portraits arrived to take individual photographs of Yrs 6, 7 & 8.

Your child will be bringing home Proofs very shortly. Well done to all the pupils for making the event run smoothly.

Inter House Games

TEAMWORK RESPECT ENJOYMENT SPORTSMANSHIP

Wednesday 19th March 2025

All pupils to arrive in school in PE Kit.

Key Stage 2

Mini Handball or Capture the Flag

Key Stage 3

**Girls Football—Boys Handball
(Boots and Shinpads)**



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Drama Prop Room Tidy Up



BEFORE



BEFORE



DURING





After

Thank you to everyone who gave up their free time last Saturday to help restore calm and order to our Drama Prop Room and sort through Uniform Donations for the Oakfield FRIENDS, especially Mrs Peet and Mrs Lucas. It was such a productive day and everyone had fun too.





On Wednesday 12th March we took the Year 7 and Year 8 team to play Netball against Selwood Academy. The Year 7s are quite a newly formed team and clearly made progress throughout the match. Initially they were very much having to work defensively but created more attacking plays as the match progressed.

Unfortunately on this occasion they did not manage to score with the final result being 17-0 to Selwood. A massive well done for their perseverance and determination to keep working throughout. The team consisted of Florence Andrews, Martha Marks, Mollie Wines, Leah Brickell, Neva Eden, Emma Cawthra, Ella Wilkinson and Isla Castle. The players of the match were Mollie Wines and Martha Marks.

The Year 8s worked superbly as a team with some great passing play and movement into great attacking positions. They showed great communication and collaboration and this was reflected in the result with Oakfield winning 15-5. Superb effort! The player of the match was Keira Clark - great work Keira! The team consisted of Ivy Sledge, Minty Mitchard, Jemima Platt, Ammie Brassington, Keira Clark, Anne Coelho, Elsa Brooks and Polly Hackworthy. MRS STICKLEY

UNIFORM

Next week will be a focus week for uniform. We will be carrying out spot checks for all aspects of uniform (including jewellery). Items will be confiscated until the end of the day. Parents will be notified via Edulink if their child is not wearing the correct uniform. If a pupil is wearing a hoodie or a non-school jumper, they will be asked to remove it and will be offered a replacement from our donation items so they do not get cold.

A full list of Oakfield Uniform can be found on our website—please note that girls should NOT be wearing leggings—only tights or plain socks. Thank you for your support.

Stand Against Violence Workshops Thursday 13th March 2025



This week Year 7 were visited for a workshop session on the wider impacts of violence as part of their PSHE curriculum in relation to 'Resolving Conflict'. All pupils worked with Nik from Stand Against Violence and explored a real life story and the results of how a young man lost his life tragically in Somerset in 2005 due to violent actions.

The pupils were able to reflect on the potential impacts of making decisions as they grow older and potential ramifications of these choices. Despite the powerful themes explored here, pupils showed respect, courtesy and reflectiveness in their thinking and sharing of ideas. If your child has any further questions or concerns regarding these sessions do please encourage them to ask their tutor or Mr Reynolds. The website to the company can be found in the link below.

<https://standagainstvience.co.uk/workshops/violence-awareness/>

Thursday
24th April
19:00 - 20:00

FREE



Responding to Angry Behaviour

What can we do in the moment?

Please book online
at facefamilyadvice.co.uk



FAMILY HOLIDAY IN FROME



Activities in Frome for families in need of support.

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| Monday 7th April | 10am-12pm | Play and Stay, seed planting and crafts. You can play with the games and toys and take them home! | Frome Library, Justice Lane, Frome, BA11 1BE |
| Wednesday 9th April* | 10am-1pm | Accessible Multisports | Victoria Park, Weymouth Road, Frome BA11 1HJ |
| Thursday 10th April | 10am-1pm | Family Cookery | Trinity Church Hall, Trinity Street, Frome, BA11 3DE |
| Friday 11th April * | 10am-1pm | Fun Science— making rockets and more! | St Catherines Hall, Park Road, Frome BA11 1EU |
| Monday 14th April* | 2pm-5pm | Bulb planting and flower fun | Fair Frome, Unit 7, Longacre, Marston Trading Estate, Frome BA11 4BG |
| Wednesday 16th April* | 10am-1pm | Arts and crafts | Key Centre, Feltham Lane, Frome BA11 5AJ |
| Thursday 17th April* | 10am-1pm | Dancing and games with Mojo Moves, plus Easter Crafts | Trinity Church Hall, Trinity Street, Frome, BA11 3DE |

Suggested donation of £2 per child

*Free Fair Frome hot meal served one hour before end of session!

BOOKING ESSENTIAL - contact rebeccaharrison@purpleelephant.org.uk to book a place or ask your school or support worker to refer you

Adults to accompany and remain responsible for their children at all times.



Family support workers available at all sessions.

www.PurpleElephant.org.uk



RED NOSE DAY

Friday 21st
March 2025

In support of this year's RED NOSE DAY—we will be selling Red Noses for £2.50 each—cash to the office or via Parentpay.

Oakfield Academy EASTER BINGO NIGHT Friday 28th March 2025



BINGO



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Doors open 6.00pm, eyes down at 6.30pm. Bingo books £1.00 each, or 6 for £5.00.

Hamper prizes. Raffle.
Special flyer game .

Entrance tickets £1.00 per person to be bought in advance and will be deducted from the price of Bingo Books—available from Reception.



'Oakfield's Got Talent' RETURNS

'Oakfield's Got Talent' will be returning on the evening of Thursday 19th June. We will be holding auditions in the hall on Monday 31st March from 3pm - 4.30pm. The acts don't need to be 'perfect' at this time, but we want to see that pupils are committed to rehearsing and that the act has potential. Pupils must be willing to perform their acts in front of other pupils and staff at the auditions. Previous acts have included:-

**Singing, Dancing, Acrobatics, Juggling, Poetry,
Musical performances and Comedy**

In order to take part in the auditions, all pupils will need to complete an audition form available from Ms Parsons or Miss Haig. All forms need to be returned to Ms Parsons when completed. We are really excited to see what incredible talent will be on display.

GOOD LUCK!!

Headlice

We have received a number of reports of headlice around the school. Kindly check your child's hair and treat if necessary.

Many thanks.

YEAR SIX STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to (L->R)

Dylan Hughes 6C

Jasper Rouse 6N

Ned McLarnon & Jayden Pain 6R

Ophelia Head 6A

Zachary Brown 6S

Maizey Purdom 6O



UNCLAIMED HOODIES

The PE Department have hoodies with the following initials in their Lost Property. Kindly ask your child to claim their top if they are missing one:

MEB, IH, ACB, JE, RK, AGM, JM, FA, WSH, CLB, RW, DM, CI, AF, CWI, AK, SI, HB, RJW, BRS, LR, SWY, MSE, IB, LK, LP, SRR, AB, AMG, EOT, DMH, OF, FP, LJH, AM, JJ, IH, MJH. Thank you.

Oakfield Academy's Enterprise Advisor Pippa Birch was recently highlighted as one of Swindon and Wiltshire most inspiring women in the light of International Women's Day on March 8th. The article explores her achievements both personally and professionally and we are so proud to be working with Pippa at developing our Careers provision at Oakfield Academy and wish to pass on our congratulations for her selection with this prestigious accolade. Well done!

<https://tbeswindonandwilts.co.uk/appointments-new-hires/swindon-wiltshires-most-inspiring-women-2025-pippa-birch/>



WORLD BOOK DAY WINNERS

Congratulations to our WBD competition winners:

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| Imogen Palmer | Emmeya M-Ayres |
| Jude Peberdy-Kerr | Nathan Sermon |
| Georgia Murray | Alice Humphreys |
| Flo Baylis | Miles Harper |
| Billy Comer | Alexis Sermon |
| Juliet Bartlett | Jake Miller |
| Jess Curtis | Ivy Sledge |
| Lola Jones | Elsabeth Harper |



National Reading Champions Quiz

Our team did brilliantly in the Regional Heat of the NRCQ last Friday, coming 12th out of 25 teams in a very close competition and scooping the newcomers' prize!



Mila, Ella, Jack, Stella and Rosie with their certificates

On World Book Day, all pupils brought in a book to recommend to others. Here are the top recommendations from Year 5!

Imogen loves Lottie Brooks!

Bluebell still enjoys this classic story

It's Book Love for Coralie

Roisin recommends Rosie Frost

The Sea Quest series is Leo's favourite

House of Secrets is Jude's perfect adventure!



The Readathon is now finished! Please remind your child to bring their completed sponsor form and any cash to the library by the end of next week!

Thank You

Four Oakfield pupils attended the National Schools Gymnastics Team Finals in Stoke on Trent on Saturday the 8th of March as part of the South West team. The team Freya , Robyn, Myla and Maizey (reserve) were great ambassadors for the academy performing their floor routines and vaults. Congratulations for competing at such a high level.



Golf Festival

Year 8 Sports Leaders were in action on Wednesday, supporting Year 3 & 4 pupils from our local primary schools as they took part in a series of Golf challenges.

Year 8 pupils worked in pairs and explained rules, demonstrated each station and provided feedback to the younger pupils whilst overseeing the activities. Both Year 3 & 4 and our Sports Leaders were buzzing with excitement throughout the morning. A massive well done to all Sports leaders who were exemplary in their attitude and behaviour.



Diary Dates

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| 18 Mar | Yr 7/8 Author visit |
| 19 Mar | Spring Inter House Games |
| 20 & 21 Mar | Bikeability |
| 21 Mar | Red Nose Day |
| 25 Mar | Dr Bike—bike MOT's |
| 26 Mar | Golf Event—Yr 3 |
| 28 Mar | Oakfield FRIENDS Bingo Night |
| 28 Mar | "R" Tutor Groups Cake Sale |
| 4 Apr | Last day of Term, finish 12.15pm |
| 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 Week |
| 22 May | Yr 7 visit Wake The Tiger, Bristol |
| 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) |
| 18 Jun | Frome College Head of House visit Yr 8s |
| 19 Jun | Frome College Head of House visit Yr 8s |
| 19 Jun | Oakfield's Got Talent |
| 25 Jun | Yr 4 Olympics (9.30-11.30am) |
| 26 Jun | Yr 8 Speaker, Kelia Fowler, FJ Chalk |
| 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 |
| 17 Jul | Yrs 5 6 7 Book Look |
| 17 Jul | Yr 8 Leavers Trip |
| 18 Jul | Last day of Term |
| 21 & 22 Jul | INSET days |

Last day of SPRING TERM

The last day of the Spring Term before the Easter Holidays is Friday 4th April 2025.

Oakfield Academy will close at 12.15 on this day.

School Transport will collect at this earlier time.



'R' Cake Sale

Please note change to original date—this will now take place on Friday 28th March.

Thank you for your support.