Newsletter

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From murder to musical magic, Oakfield's Performing Arts Department does it again!

On Wednesday night, 50 Oakfield Academy pupils pulled off a breathtaking performance, showcasing a huge range of theatrical talent.

To start, the packed hall was captivated by a powerful rendition of Shakespeare's iconic play, Macbeth. It was the first time the Academy has attempted a tragedy and pupils from all year groups rose to the challenge – delivering the original language with confidence and understanding. Within the final scenes of the play, there was an action-packed battle scene, demonstrating fabulous knowledge of stage fighting techniques, culminating in the realistic death of the tyrant king.

After the interval, the tragic mood was lightened by an incredible musical performance – based on 2 classic fairy tales – with a twist provided by Miss Haig and Miss Morris's humorous script. Characters were brilliantly portrayed by a new cast, who perfected choreography and performed a variety of songs from One Direction to Taylor Swift.

Thanks also to the huge army of people who helped make the show such a success – the Art Department for the wonderful staging, the office staff for tickets and programmes, Mr Oates for sound, our site team for all their work before and after the performance and parents for all their help with costumes and line-learning. Many congratulations to all performers and the amazing tech crew. The teamwork and talent on show was outstanding – we are so proud of each and every one of you!







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Thank You

for your support and patience during this week's road safety works and closures.

Please do share any thoughts or comments you have with Frome Town Council.



Oakfield Academy Inter-House Games 2024—25/3/24

What?

Whole year groups will take part in an hour of competitive sport with each tutor group competing against each other. Inter-House games will take place three times a year and will cover a range of both single sex and mixed sports

When?

Monday 25th March 2024—Pupils to wear PE kits to school for the day

Lesson 1 - Year 8 8:30am - 9:45am

Lesson 2 – Year 5 9:45am - 11am (Includes break-time)

Lesson 3 – Year 6 11:00am - 12:15am (Includes reading time)

Lesson 4 – No Inter-House games

Lesson 5 – Year 7 1:50pm-3pm

Where?

Sports Court – Ks2 Mini-Handball & ks3 Basketball (Boys)

Gymnasium – Ks2 Bench-ball

Field – KS3 Football (Girls)

How?

Every tutor group will compete against each other in 8-minute matches with points awarded for win/lose/draw

Why?

As well as the obvious physical benefits of additional exercise, pupils will also have the opportunity to use and improve skills such as Perseverance, determination, cooperation and resilience Pupils will also be asked to adhere to the Oakfield Inter-House Games ethos of: Teamwork Respect Enjoyment Sportsmanship

Thanking you all in advance for your support and enthusiasm!

The PE Department



Two epic games of basketball were contested on Tuesday between Oakfield and Huish Episcopi School. Both teams went at it from the opening tip-off, competing fiercely in both offense and defence. The teams were very closely matched with lay-ups and mid-range shots being scored despite strong man to man defence.

Stand out performances from all Oakfield players who rose to the occasion with the tension palpable with qualification for the play-offs at stake.

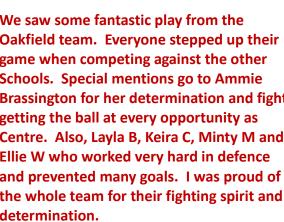
Game 1 ended 38-34 to Huish on the buzzer and Game 2 ending 38-30 to Oakfield Academy.

Oakfield Pacers have completed their group games now with a record of 3 wins and 3 losses, meaning that they progress to the knock-out round of the tournament.

YEAR 7 MENDIP NETBALL TOURNAMENT

The Year 7 netball team represented Oakfield in The Mendip Tournament this week. They played incredibly well as a team with a strong attack and defence. They started their matches with a 6 - 4 win against Hugh Sexeys. Next up was Selwood who had a strong attacking team. Our defence worked hard on rebounds and interception. We continued to score goals but lost that match 7 - 2. The final game of the day was against The Blue School. Our team won 7 - 1, resulting in a 2nd place for Oakfield overall which was a great result.

Oakfield team. Everyone stepped up their game when competing against the other Schools. Special mentions go to Ammie Brassington for her determination and fight getting the ball at every opportunity as Centre. Also, Layla B, Keira C, Minty M and Ellie W who worked very hard in defence and prevented many goals. I was proud of the whole team for their fighting spirit and











Tahiri Hutton in 8C
had her very long hair cut recently and is
donating over 10 inches of hair to the
Little Princess Trust.

CLIVE LEWIS RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Please congratulate our
KS2 tag rugby team
who did AMAZINGLY in
their
tournament on
Wednesday at Frome
Rugby Club!

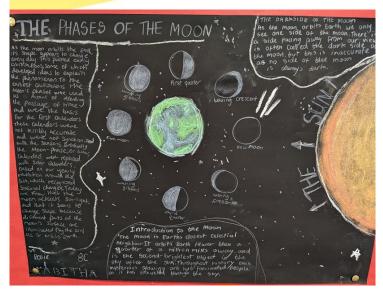
They split into 2 teams - the 'Oakfield Giants' and the 'Oakfield Athletes'. Our Giants won every game (4-3, 5-3, 7-2!!!) and our Athletes also gave it their all, getting better and better as the games went on (2-5, 3-4, 5-4!!!) overall winning 6 out of 8 matches! Special mention to Hector Westbrook for his brilliant defence. Daniel, Billy, Bella, Dylan, Jacob, Aziva, Oscar, Patrick, Ezra, Charlie, Jamie, Ella, Hector, Eva, Ella, Alice and Jack amazing team effort, some fantastic tries and overall lovely sportsmanship!

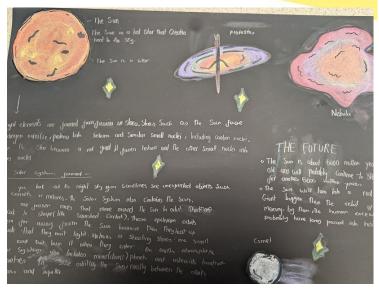
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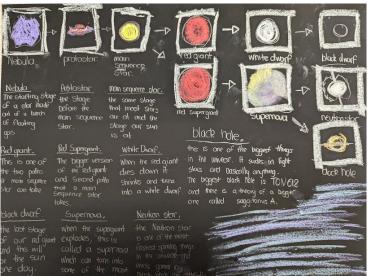


SPOTLIGHT SCIENCE DEPARTMENT











SCIENCE DEPARTMENT EMBRACE NON TECH DAY

On no tech Friday 15th March 8C & 8S in Science combined their art skills and learning about space to create posters on either the life cycle of a star, the phases of the moon & asteroids, comets and meteors. Some creative and informative posters were made.

Work above Herbie Whiting, Tabitha Dysch, Florence Parker, Rosalie Bull, Niamh Webster and George Foster. Well done!

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7R were challenged to create the pH scale using universal indicator & common household substances including milk, cream, lemonade, toothpaste, shampoo, washing detergent, oven cleaner & bleach.

Fab work being able to create all 14 colours by Jessica Lauder-Shortman, Dylan MacDonald & Declan Cassidy.

Mr Shaddick, Science Teacher.



Oakfield Academy **School Terms and Holidays** 2024/2025



September 2024				October 2024							November 2024								
M	2	9	16	23	30	M		7	14	21	28		M		4	11	18	25	
Tu	3	10	17	24		Tu	1	8	15	22	29		Tu		5	12	19	26	
W	4	11	18	25		W	2	9	16	23	30		W		6	13	20	27	
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Key:	
	School Holidays
	Bank Holidays
	Term Time
	Inset Days

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 02 September – 25 October 2024 (39 days)
Term 2: 04 November – 20 December 2024 (35 days)
Term 3: 06 January –14 February 2025 (30 days) Term 4: 24 February = 04 April 2025 (30 days)
Term 5: 22 April = 23 May 2025 (23 days)
Term 6: 02 June = 22 July 2025 (38 days)
TOTAL = 195

Bank and public holidays 2024/25

Christmas Day Bank Holiday Boxing Day Bank Holiday New Year's Day Holiday Good Friday

FREE

Entry El

25 December 2024 26 December 2024 01 January 2025 18 April 2025

Easter Monday May Day Bank Holiday Spring Bank Holiday Summer Bank Holiday

21 April 2025 05 May 2025 26 May 2025 25 August 2025

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activities

Children under Tuesday 9th April 1.30-4.30pm

Cheese & Grain, Market Yard, Frome, BAII 3BE



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To all prospective Year 9 students and parents

All applications have now been received and you have made your subject choices. We are hard at work in placing you in your future House and tutor group.

Letters will go out after May half term to inform you which House and tutor group you are in so look out for

Soon you will get to meet some of our staff during an assembly at your school and will have an opportunity to ask questions about joining Frome College.

In June you will also have an opportunity to meet your Heads of House for the first time!

We have transition evening on the 2nd of July and a very exciting transition day on the 3rd of July, where you will get to spend the entire day on site as a Frome college student!

We look forward to meeting all of you soon!



Diary Dates

25 Mar Reports out

26 Mar Yr 8 Girls Mendip Netball

26 Mar Yr 5 Bee Friendly Trust Planting

27 Mar Yr 7 visit London16/17 Apr Bikeability Training

25 Apr SEND Coffee Session 2-3pm

SENDIAS—support for

families

w/c 13 May Yr 6 SATS Exams

17 May Yr 6 SATS Reward Trip details

4 Jun 2x Yr 5 classes visit Stonehenge

6 Jun Yr 6 Heights & Weights

7 Jun Yr 8 visit Bath Uni w/c 10 Jun Activities Week

10 11 12 Jun Yr 6 visit Wiltshire Outdoor

Learning Chapmanslade

10 Jun Yr 8 Professional Darts Contest
 10-12 Jun Yr 7 Charterhouse Camp One
 12-14 Jun Yr 7 Charterhouse Camp Two

10-14 Jun Yr 8 trip to France

13 Jun Yr 5 Summer Trip (details tbc)

14 Jun Remaining Yr 8 pupils visit cinema27 Jun SEND Coffee Session (subject tbc)

3 Jul Transfer Day

5 Jul Yrs 5 & 6 Sports Day

10/11 Jul 'One Love' Summer Show

12 Jul Yrs 7 & 8 Sports Day

12 Jul Public Consultation Meeting -

School Streets—details tbc

18 Jul Parent Book Look

22 Jul Yr 8 Presentation Evening at

The Memorial Hall, Frome

23 Jul Yr 8 'Leavers Trip'

24 Jul Last day of Term, finish 2pm

25 Jul Uniform available to buy

9am—3pm

26 Jul Uniform available to buy

9am-3pm

2 Sep INSET, Uniform available to buy

9am-3pm

3 Sep Term 1 2024/25, pupils return

Attendance

CONGRATULATIONS!

The tutors with 96% or above last

week are:

6A and 8O

REMINDER

Pupils need to wear their PE kits to school on Monday 25th March as it is INTER HOUSE SPORTS DAY.

Thank you.