

Newsletter

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OAKFIELD ACADEMY
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

12x Year 8 girls visited Frome College for a Forensic Cyber Security day last week. It was a fantastic opportunity to work with some Year 10 pupils and meet other Year 8 pupils from Avanti and Selwood.

All our pupils demonstrated excellent attitude, curiosity and ambition throughout the day. I was very proud to hear the winning team came from Oakfield Academy!

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SAFER SCHOOL STREETS FOR FROME



The Safer School Streets trial starts Monday, 22nd April

Oakfield Road (from Nunney Road junction to Broadway) and Nunney Road (from Oakfield Road junction to Critch Hill) will be closed to traffic 8:10 - 9:00 & 2:45 - 3:30 Monday - Friday during term time

Exemptions include: blue badge holders, parents/guardians of pupils with EHC plans, school staff, access to residential properties within the restricted zone, healthcare workers, users of Harry's Hydrotherapy Pool, school and public transport, emergency services, postal services, utilities, highways maintenance, street cleansing and waste collection

For updates and further information, please visit bit.ly/saferschoolstreets



Somerset
Council

BEE TRUST VISIT FOR SAFER STREETS PLANTING



On Tuesday a group of Year 5 pupils volunteered to stay after school to help representatives from the Bee Friendly Trust plant up the amazing wooden planters that we had delivered last week.

Worms were introduced to the soil before a wide variety of insect plants were planted to encourage wildlife.

The planters will be moved to the front of the school when the Safer Streets construction work is completed.





LIBRARY NEWS



SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS

COME TO
the BOOK FAIR!
AND EARN FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL!

Coming soon!



Thank you to the **Friends of Oakfield Academy** for enabling us to buy some gorgeous new books with neurodiverse characters. Photos to follow!



PLATINUM READERS

A massive "well done" to **Jack Devlin** and **Stella Prochazka** from 6A for achieving their Platinum AR Badges. They have both read over 2 million words so far this year, and Jack has gained 100% in over 50 quizzes!

They have also contributed to 6A's total word count - a whopping 9,198,660 words so far!

Rosie Milkins in 7A has also read over 2 million words and has received her Platinum badge.



SPEND YOUR WBD TOKEN BY 31ST MARCH*

WORLD BOOK DAY
17 MARCH 2024

£1 BOOK TOKEN

Changing lives through a love of books and reading

CHOOSE YOUR £1 BOOK FOR FREE

SNAP YOUR £1 TOKEN AT A BOOKSHOP

NATIONAL BOOK tokens

VALID FROM 15 FEBRUARY - 31 MARCH 2024

*Hunting Raven, WH Smiths, ASDA or Sainsbury's



FRIENDS Second Hand Uniform Sale

We are planning to hold a second hand uniform sale after the Easter Holidays (date tbc).

If you have any good quality sweatshirts, ties, trousers, skirts, PE items or shoes that you no longer require, kindly consider donating them to our FRIENDS.

We will let you know the date of the sales as soon as it is confirmed.

Thank you in advance.
(Donations to Reception).

On Monday we all enjoyed a tremendous Inter-House Sports Day.

POKÉMON

Pokémon cards are not allowed in school. If pupils are attending the Pokémon Club after school, they can hand them into Mr Colman in the morning.



Miss Wilkes and one of her volunteers ensuring that our local bus stop is kept clean for passengers using the services.



29th April 7-8pm

Come and join us online, we're talking about

Helping kids back into school



FREE

Book online facefamilyadvice.co.uk
go to the PARENT page



April 2024

Newsletter

Happy Easter...summer term bookings happening now!



The CPD Standards Office
CPD PROVIDER: 22646
2024-2025

Approved CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.

National Standards CPD accredited with certificate

Monday
29 April
19:00 - 21:00
FREE



Helping kids back into school
School refusal is a growing concern. This session looks at why it is occurring and offers supportive ideas to assist parents.

Tuesday
9 April
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Cannabis Awareness
Still on the increase, are you able to talk to young people about this drug? Get the facts and the confidence to be able to have the conversation.

Thursday
18 April
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Understanding Addictive Behaviour
Screens, gaming, social media. What is happening to the brain and body and how can we control it.

facefamilyadvice.co.uk

info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Thank you

To our Bingo supporters:-

- Bath Thermae Spa
- Westbury Swinarium
- Sainsburys Frome
- Morrisons Westbury
- The Roman Baths, Bath
- The Tan Shop, Frome
- The Co-op, Culverhill, Frome
- B&M's Frome
- Planet Volt

Plus all staff, and Friends who donated and helped with the evening in lots of ways to make it a marvellous success !

Welcome

To Niamh Gray who joins Oakfield Academy as a supply teacher.

CREATIVE MAKERS



Great news! Creative Makers is running art camp for children aged 5-10 during the at Avanti park school. The sessions will be run by a qualified and experienced Art and Design teacher.

Over the sessions, students will explore the work of various artists and create works that are inspired by them. They will also work in groups and use a range of materials to create paintings, prints, sculptures and large installations pieces. At the end of each day, all students will have creative work to take home. Each day is a fresh project, so you can attend one or all days and still have a unique experience.

All materials needed for the Art camp will be provided. The camp will run from 9am -3pm each day



Places are limited, it is recommend that you sign up as soon as possible by heading to creative-makers.co.uk The art camp is a great opportunity for your child to explore their creative side and fun during the holidays



Dates: 2nd and 3rd April

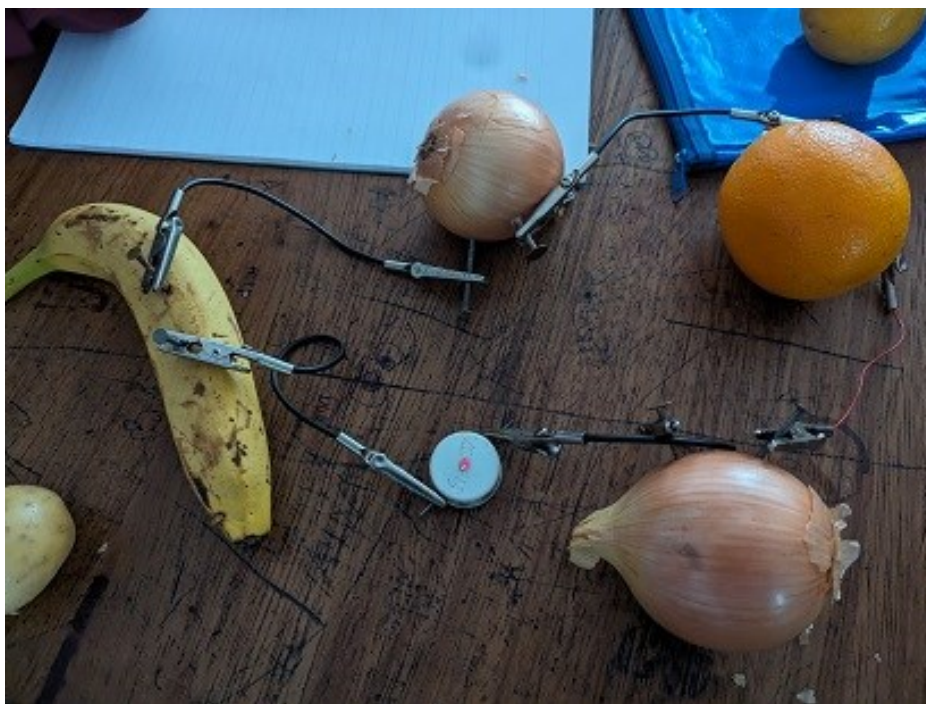
Friday night saw another fantastic Bingo Night at the academy. Pictured are just some of the prizes that could be won with a full house or a lucky raffle ticket. Total profits raised were just over £1,200 !! Thank you to all who supported the event.





SPOTLIGHT on SCIENCE

This week Year 6 have been concluding the Electricity topic by making a battery using fruit, vegetables, copper and zinc nails (electrodes) and crocodile clips to light an LED. This particular battery was made by students in 6S.



These wonderful pictures were taken by Indigo Dixon 7N as part of the Changing Substances Chemistry topic in Science. Pictures include the reaction between magnesium and oxygen, melting chocolate and investigating the pH scale using Universal indicator and Red cabbage. Well done Indigo!

PAUL STARR DARTS MC & EXHIBITIONS WITH I.M.S. LIMITED PRESENTS
CURRENT WORLD NUMBER ONE AND WORLD CHAMPION

COOL HAND LUKE HUMPHRIES

A day at the Darts

TICKETS FROM
£20

Session One
11AM - 4PM
SHOW STARTS 1PM

Session Two
5.30PM - 10PM
SHOW STARTS 7PM

It's Tungsten Time!

SUNDAY 7TH JULY 2024

THE ROBINS | BADGERS HILL FROME | BA11 2EH

ALL ENQUIRIES CALL 07917 442054

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Dom 'THE TOWER' Taylor

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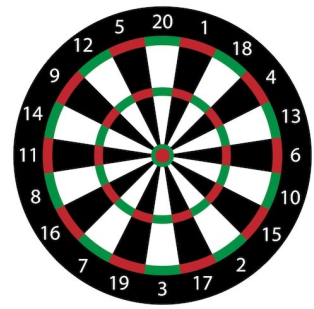
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SERVICES

Paul Cook

Exciting News!

During Activities Week (w/c 10th June) we have organised a Darts Tournament for our Year 8 pupils, which will be hosted by Paul Starr, Darts MC. On Sunday 7th July, Paul has arranged for 'Cool Hand' Luke Humphries, World Darts Champion to visit the Frome Football Club, and as a special prize for the overall winner of the Year 8 Tournament, he has arranged for the winner and their parents to attend, and the year 8 pupil to play a leg against Luke.!!



Place2Be free online parenting course

It is the final week for parents to sign up for this course starting after Easter. All registration details can be accessed using the following link:-

<https://www.place2be.org.uk/family> to register.

THE SOMERSET SCIENCE FESTIVAL
SOMERSCIENCE
24
SCIENCE
IN A FIELD OF ITS OWN

SOMERSCIENCE FESTIVAL

May 6th 2024
10am - 5.30pm

CASTLE CARY & SPARKFORD
www.somerscience.co.uk

FREE ENTRY

YEAR 8 MENDIP NETBALL TOURNAMENT

Our Year 8 netball team took on 5 other Schools from across Mendip this week. After a long journey to Cheddar, the team were match ready within minutes. The first game they played was against the host School, Fairlands. Summer B started off the scoring which ended with a draw after a strong, first match from Oakfield. The team demonstrated some incredible teamwork and understanding of positions and what was best for the team, accepting and even offering to change position when needed.

In the second game, Oakfield won 4-2 against St Dunstons with Lilja joining Summer for some great teamwork and shooting and the team pulling together to make strong and successful attacks. Their next game was against Selwood. Having found them challenging opponents in our recent friendly, Oakfield showed their remarkable progress in holding Selwood back to a 3-2 win. Our team worked together efficiently, with our defence preventing Selwood from taking a runaway lead.

Next, Oakfield won the match against The Blue School 3-2, fighting as a team to win. The final game against Hugh Sexeys was a very close match with Hugh Sexeys snatching a last minute goal to secure a 3-2 win. For our last game, Lily S took the position of Goal Keeper. She was awarded player of the match for her resilience in defending. Our defence, with Freya L, Luna, Hannah P and Lily S created a tough team for the opposition to break through. In every game, Maddie was always available as our Centre for interceptions and as a back-up on the edge of the Goal Circle. Maleah, Barbara and Niamh provided strong interceptions, passes and back-up as Wings. Summer won Player of the Match several times for her role as Goal Shooter which was well deserved.

The Oakfield team should be very proud of themselves for their incredible progress and determination. Also their commitment to attend weekly training sessions since September has shown their passion for Netball.

Congratulations to: Summer B, Barbara C, Maddie H, Freya L, Lilya M, Luna P-T, Hannah P, Lily S, Maleah S and Niamh W. **Miss Pullen**



Diary Dates

16/17 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 cinema
18 Jun	Frome College Heads of House meeting Yr 8 pupils
27 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
4 Sep	Yr 5 individual photographs

Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Cleaner. Full job description and application form available on the following link:-

<https://www.eteach.com/careers/oakfieldacademy/job/cleaner-1411129>

Attendance

Congratulations to 5R who achieved above 96% last week— well done!!



On Wednesday this week our Year 7 pupils enjoyed a fascinating trip to London, exploring the Natural History Museum and the Science Museum.

Many thanks to Ms Nightingale for organising this.

