

Newsletter

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OAKFIELD ACADEMY
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE



To celebrate the first year since the coronation of King Charles and Queen Camilla, a beautiful new Oak Tree was planted in one of the gaps in the academy's long established boundary of trees overlooking the Mendip Hills. We lost one of the Horsechestnut Trees in a storm, so this anniversary was the perfect opportunity to replace it. Pupils chosen to plant the tree with Miss Wilkes and Acorn our academy dog all had birthdays at this time and were Mason Cooper, Herbie Whiting, Beatrice Baines and Oleander Diniz-Sanchez.



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LIBRARY NEWS



SCHOLASTIC TRAVELLING BOOKS



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the BOOK FAIR!

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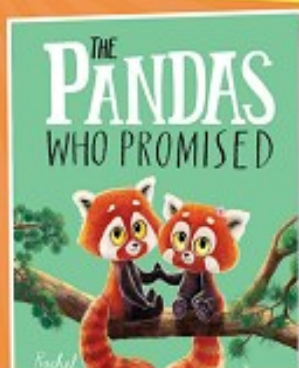
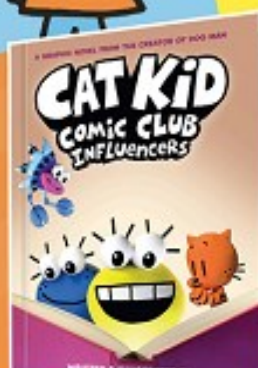


Illustration from Nina Peanutf
Amazing © Sarah Bowles, 2024.

Wednesday 8th - Tuesday 14th May

The Book Fair is Back!

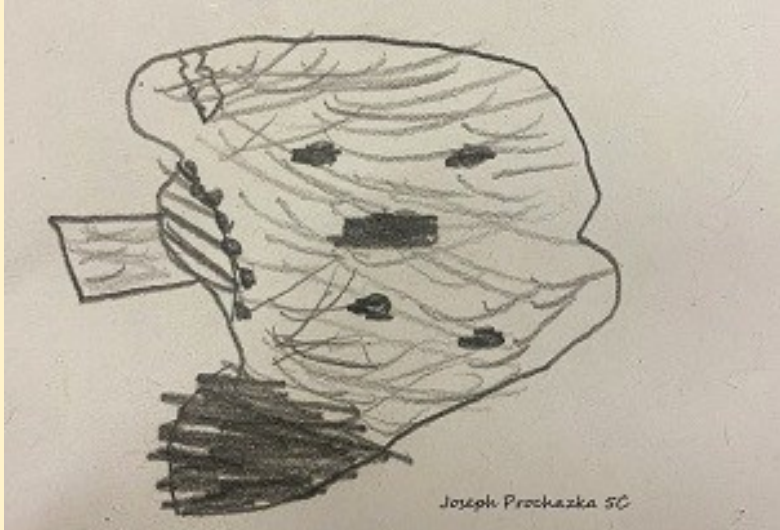
We are so excited that we are having a second book fair this year!

The book fair will be arriving on Wednesday 8th May (next Wednesday) and will be here until 4pm on Tuesday 14th May. Pupils will be able to come and visit the book fair during break, lunch and after school. Parents are welcome any day after school to browse the brilliant books. Purchases can be made with cash, or pupils can fill in a wish list and parents can pay at home using the QR code.

All purchases, no matter how small, will go towards raising funds to buy books for the academy!

Spotlight

ART DEPARTMENT



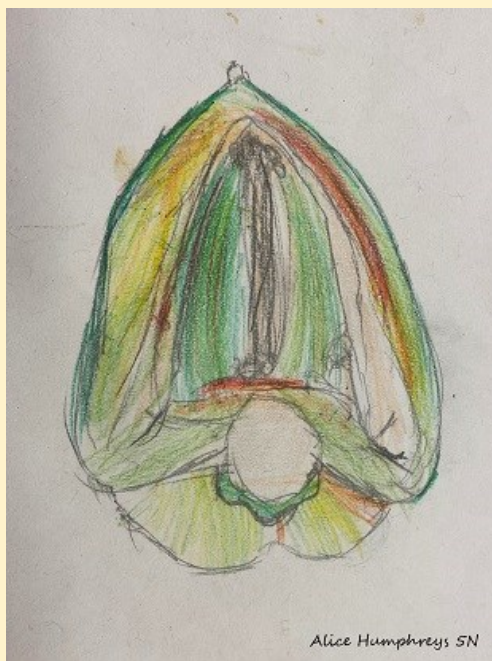
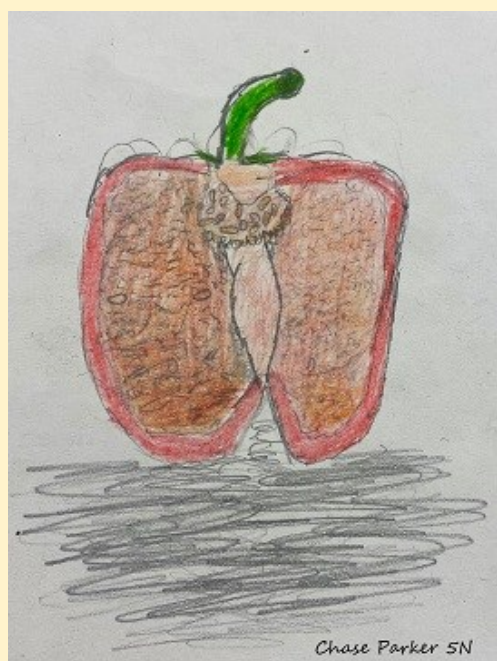
Year 5: Observational drawing

This term, Year 5 pupils have been focusing on observational drawing: they have been taught to study an object carefully and draw what they see. Pupils applied their prior knowledge of mark-making techniques to create interesting and beautiful drawings. Ms Thomas and Ms Higgins selected the following pupils' observations of peppers as examples that demonstrate effort and ambition in art. Well done to:

Logan Ladd 5C, Alice Humphreys 5N, Joseph Prochazka 5C, Lexi-May Joyce 5N, Chase Parker 5N

Please also check out the Academy's 'Art & Design' page on the website, which holds more examples of Oakfield pupils' artwork.

<https://oakfieldacademy.co.uk/academy/curriculum/art-design> Ms Mundy, Head of Art





Including an appearance from our own Mr George !



SOMERSCIENCE FESTIVAL

May 6th 2024

10am – 5.30pm

CASTLE CARY & SPARKFORD
www.somerscience.co.uk

**Congratulations to
some of our Year 8 boys
for their
massive
achievement recently.
They took part in the
Midsomer Norton Youth
Football League and got
to the final t which they
won!**

**They are now the
Under 13 Cup
2023-2024
Winners.**

Parenting Cafe - Top tips for successful co-parenting for separated parents

5 June	9:30 am-11:30 am	Frome Town Hall	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/872370783497?aff=oddtcreator
25 June	6pm-8pm	Frome Town Hall	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/872367313117?aff=oddtcreator

Having a straightforward co-parenting relationship with your ex-partner can be fraught with difficulties. This is where we can help.

If you are a separated parent, come and join us for a relaxed and supportive Cafe where we chat about how to successfully navigate co-parenting challenges.

Whether you are newly separated or have been separated and co-parenting for a while, this Cafe is designed to give you practical tips on dealing with the challenges, putting the well-being of your children at the centre.

Ruth James, will be running the Cafe and will share top tips and advice to help you:

Develop a successful co-parenting relationship and reduce conflict.

Understand how you can stay connected with your children and support them with smooth handovers and transitions.

Find out more about practical tools to reduce conflict in co-parenting communications.

How to manage different styles of parenting in different homes.

There will also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions you may have.

Please note that this Cafe is not appropriate if there is currently domestic abuse in your relationship. If you are in an abusive relationship, please go to [Somerset Domestic Abuse](#) for the support you need.

This is what a couple of parents said about a Cafe:

"Worth going to. Feels supportive – come out of hiding and speak with others."

"Safe space to talk, no judgements."

The Cafe has been organised by Melody Hunter Evans, Children and Young People's Project Officer, Frome Town Council and will be run by Ruth James, the Reducing Parental Conflict Coordinator at Somerset Council. Ruth has many years' experience of working with parents and is now working with parents to reduce parental conflict.

We will be serving tea, coffee, and cake as this is a Cafe!

Places are limited so please book early to guarantee your place.

We look forward to meeting you.

Melody and Ruth

For more information about relationship support for parents please go to:

[Somerset children & young people : Health & Wellbeing : Somerset Parents And Carers Managing Relationship Conflict \(cypsomersethealth.org\)](#)

News from the FRIENDS of Oakfield Academy

DIARY DATES

Friday 17th May—A Tutor Groups Cake Sale

Friday 24th May—C Tutor Groups Cake Sale

Friday 7th June—O Tutor Groups Cake Sale

Friday 21st June—R Tutor Groups Cake Sale

Friday 28th June—N Tutor Groups Cake Sale

Friday 12th July—S Tutor Groups Cake Sale

All cake sales will take place at 3pm by the red gates

Friday 5th July—BINGO NIGHT—

Doors Open 6pm, eyes down 6.30pm



FAMILY HOLIDAY ZONE



Activities in Frome for families in need of support.

Tuesday 28th May	1pm - 3pm	Play and Take Away, crafts and stories	Cheese and Grain , Justice Lane, Frome BA11 1BE (room 1)
Wednesday 29th May*	10am - 1pm	Outdoor fun with nature - exploring and learning Transport available	Heal Somerset, Lower West Barn Farm, Bindon Ln, Frome BA11 5HH
Thursday 30th May*	10am to 1pm	Make something fabulous for the Children's Festival!	Trinity Church Hall, Trinity Street, Frome BA11 3DN
Friday 31st May*	1pm - 4pm	Fun with science—making rockets and more!	The Key Centre, Feltham Lane, Frome BA11 5AJ

Suggested donation of £2 per child

BOOKING ESSENTIAL - contact lenkagrimes@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



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WEDS 8TH - TUES 14TH MAY 2024

Break*, lunch and after school

IN THE LIBRARY

*closed at break on Mon 13th and Tues 14th May

Diary Dates

w/c 13 May	Yr 6 SATS Exams
17 May	Yr 6 SATS Reward Trip details
17 May	"A" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
w/c 20 May	Yr 5 Assessment Week
22 May	5N Catch up Swimming
24 May	"C" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
w/c 27 May	Half Term Holidays
4 Jun	5C & 5N visit Stonehenge
5 Jun	5R Catch up Swimming
6 Jun	Yr 6 Heights & Weights
7 Jun	Yr 8 visit Bath Uni
7 Jun	"O" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
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
12 Jun	FLG visit Longleat
13 Jun	Yr 5 Summer Trip to Longleat
14 Jun	Remaining Yr 8 pupils visit cinema
18 Jun	Frome College Heads of House meeting Yr 8 pupils
21 Jun	"R" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
27 Jun	SEND Coffee Session (subject tbc)
28 Jun	"N" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
1 Jul	Welcome Evening
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	"S" Tutor Groups Cake Sale
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' Chessington World of Adventure
24 Jul	Last day of Term, finish 2pm



**The focus next week
will be**

**HOW DO WE MOVE
AROUND THE
SCHOOL**

We have been advised by Fraser Portraits that the last day for ordering photographs with free delivery to Oakfield Academy is **Friday 3rd May. Please place your order by this date. Thank you.**