

Newsletter

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OAKFIELD ACADEMY
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE



NEW HEAD OF MATHEMATICS APPOINTED

We are delighted to announce that Mr Oates has been appointed to this role and will take up his new position in January 2024.

On Thursday we welcomed Katie Frazer from Frome Town Council to deliver a road safety assembly, and also explain the new **SAFER STREETS PROJECT** which will be implemented around the school in 2024. Our Year 5 pupils listened very carefully and were very interested in the messages that she outlined.



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25 Years Service Award

The academy was extremely proud this week to celebrate 25 years of service by Mrs Warren, our Admin Officer/ Receptionist.

Staff presented her with flowers and a gift to mark this special occasion on behalf of the Oakfield community. We would like to thank Mrs Warren for all her hard work and dedication since joining the academy in 1998.

Here's to another 25 years
Mrs Warren!!

Mrs Wells
Business Manager/SLT

Congratulations
to
Mrs Jones who
this week leaped
from a plane in
aid of charity.
What a
HERO !!



Request from the English Department

If you have any unwanted audio books (cd's) that are appropriate for our pupils, kindly consider donating them to our English Department. They can be dropped off in Reception. Thank you in advance.

Lantern Workshop



Frome Light the Night is led by artists Mel Day and Aliss Vaas. They have been running the Frome Lantern Parade since 2017, supported by Frome Town Council. On Thursday, Oakfield pupils from years 7 and 8 were invited to take part in one of their annual lantern workshops, at the Academy. This year's parade theme is 'Ice' and our pupils made giant penguins. It was a fantastic day - pupils were creative, engaged and produced beautiful work. Please come to the centre of Frome on Friday 24 November to see our pupils represent Oakfield Academy at the parade.

For more information: <https://www.discoverfrome.co.uk>



YMCA
BRUNEL GROUP

BATH / BRISTOL / WILTSHIRE
MENDIP / SOUTH SOMERSET

Frome Youth Club WINTER WARM SPACES SESSIONS

Fridays from 7pm - 9pm

- 3rd November
- 10th November
- 17th November
- 24th November
- 1st December
- 15th December
- 12th January
- 19th January
- 26th January
- 2nd February
- 9th February
- 23rd February

Open for all
young people
ages 10-19, Free
activities & hot
meal

Routes, 1A Palmer Street, Frome BA11 1DS

For more information or to book a space, contact:
ChiaraDocherty@ymca-bg.org

*Events open to all young people; you don't have to currently attend
Frome Youth Club. A parental consent form will need to be completed.



the
national
sleep
helpline

Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle
with your child's
bedtime?

Will your child
not sleep in
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

03303 530 541

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

Oakfield Academy Reads!



In October 2023, students have read...

401 Books

9,133,005 Words

for **18** minutes/day!
(individual student average)

RENAISSANCE

Accelerated Reader®

A HUGE

THANK YOU

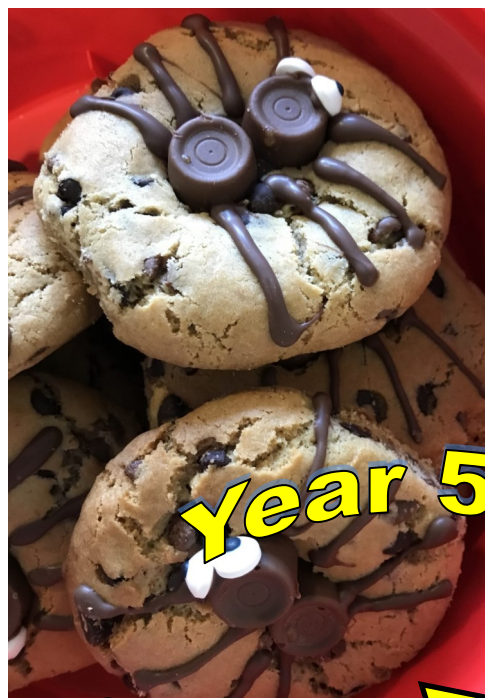
to *Frome Rotary*...

...for their very generous donation towards
buying some new graphic novels and
phonics readers for the library!



Pictures to follow!





Year 5 Tricky Tuesday

Congratulations to Year 5 for raising over £150 at their spooky cake sale this week!

These wonderful pictures were created by our Forest School pupils whilst outside with Ms Manville, aren't they great !



Happy Thanksgiving



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It was a sad farewell to Sharon Hearne at the end of term. Sharon who has worked in our kitchen since it was first built over 15 years ago is moving on to new challenges. Pictured with her is Business Manager, Mrs Wells.



Congratulations to Mrs Lodge who has been appointed Finance Officer.

Best wishes from all her colleagues at Oakfield Academy to Miss Shepherd our Finance Officer who leaves us today to explore a new career.



NEW

Our first book!

STARTING SOON!

RS3 Book Group

Wednesdays

3-4pm

Look out for an email home so you can book your place on Edulink!

A £5 VOUCHER TO SPEND AT THE BOOK FAIR!

Design an A4 poster to advertise this year's book fair!

Include the following information:

- 15th – 21st November
- Break, lunch and after school
- In the library

Please hand entries to the library by 3pm on Monday 13th November.

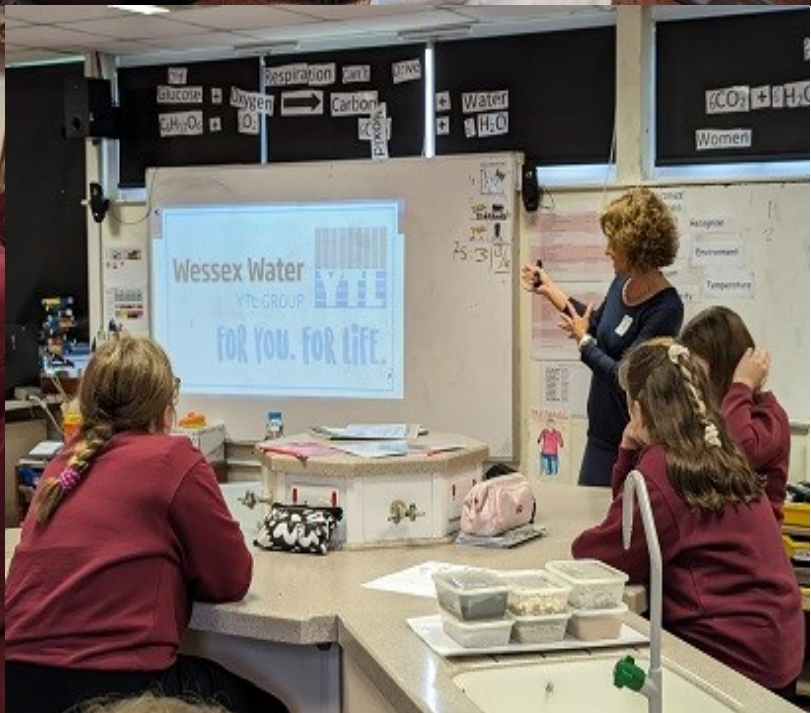
THE BEST ENTRY FROM EACH YEAR GROUP WILL WIN!

SPOTLIGHT ON THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

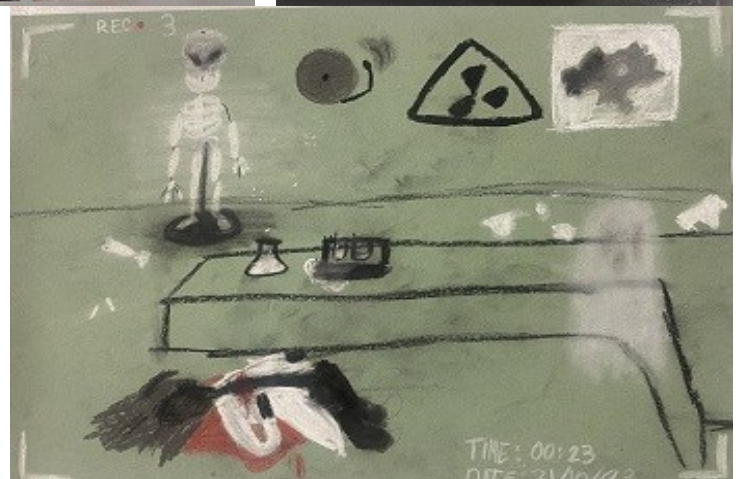
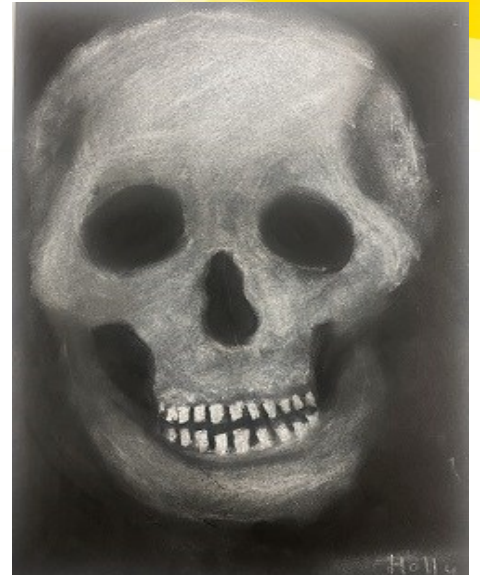
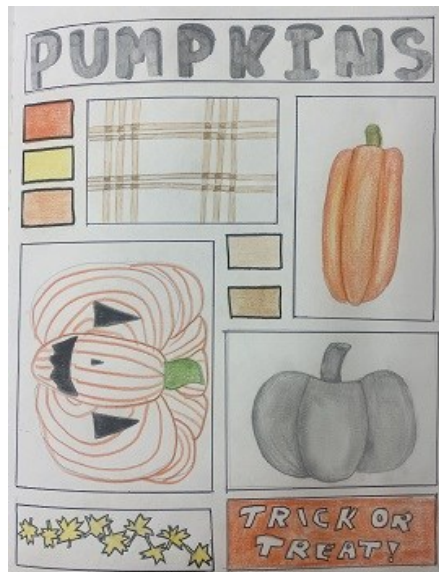
Recently all Year 7 pupils had a Science lesson with Sam Russon from Wessex Water. Pupils were challenged to find out which media was best used as a filter to produce clean drinking water. We learnt about the different stages of water treatment from a reservoir and how we can save water in the climate crisis.

KS3 STEM Club pupils' engineering and maths skills were also put to the test in the water distribution challenge designing the most cost-effective network for water delivery. All pupils thoroughly engaged with the activities and represented the academy well.

Mr Curtis Shaddick , Science Teacher



SPOTLIGHT ON THE ART DEPARTMENT



WhooOOOOOoooo... Happy Halloween from the Art department! These pieces were created independently at home or in the Specialist Art club.

**Frankie Ladd 70 - Halloween hands,
Jessica Lauder-Shortman 7R - Graveyard Scene,
Ivy Sledge 7O - Halloween Designs, Holly Packman 8S - Skull,
Ayla Juristo-Fry 7S - Ink and Paint Hand, Millie Humphreys 8S - Crime Scene, and
Alfie Leakey 7S - Halloween Cats**



CLEVERCHEFS *Food innovators* **VACANCY**

General Kitchen Assistants

(Based at the Oakfield Academy Kitchen)

Supporting the Chef Manager and 2nd Cook, to prepare and serve amazing exciting meals to the pupils. Previous experience in food service or hospitality is preferred for this role, however we are happy to consider other applications, full training will be given.

Cleverchefs are an equal opportunities employer.

We offer excellent career and development opportunities. Job Type: Permanent, Part-time.
Hours: 16 per week. Salary: £10.42 per hour.

To arrange an interview, please contact

Oakfield Academy **VACANCIES**

SEND Teacher

[https://www.eteach.com/
job/send-teacher---
enhanced-learning-
provision-1380634](https://www.eteach.com/job/send-teacher---enhanced-learning-provision-1380634)

Middle Years Teacher

[https://www.eteach.com/
job/middle-years-teacher-
1380637](https://www.eteach.com/job/middle-years-teacher-1380637)

Lunchtime Supervisor

[https://www.eteach.com/
job/lunchtime-supervisor-
1379099](https://www.eteach.com/job/lunchtime-supervisor-1379099)

Anti Racism

This week we welcomed Andy Merryfield from YOUNG SOMERSET who visited the academy to deliver anti racism workshops and assemblies. The assemblies were for Years 5 and 6 plus workshops for Year 8.

Andy will be returning next week to
conduct more Year 7 Workshops and a Year 7 assembly.

Diary Dates

8 Nov	Yr 8 Boys Football v Selwood (3pm at Selwood Academy)
16 Nov	SEND Coffee Session 2-3pm The POD Charity
17 Nov	Children in Need
23 Nov	Yr 5 Road Safety Assembly
6 Dec	Yr 5 Christmas Production
7 Dec	Yr 6 Christmas Production
7 Dec	Yr 8 Road Safety Assembly
13 Dec	Yr 6 Pantomime trip to the Bristol Hippodrome
14 Dec	Academy Christmas Dinner Day
15 Dec	Last day of Term, finish <u>2pm</u>
16 Dec—1 Jan	Christmas Holidays
2 Jan	INSET
3 Jan	Term 3 (pupils return)
8 Jan	Yr 6 Subject Evening (3.30-7.00pm)
15 Jan	Yr 8 Subject Evening (3.30-7.00pm)
22 Jan	Yr 5 Subject Evening (3.30-7.00pm)
25 Jan	SEND Coffee Session 2-3pm Transition Throughout Oakfield and -> Frome College.
29 Jan	Yr 7 Subject Evening (3.30-7.00pm)
1/2 Feb	Bikeability Training
7 Feb	2x Yr 5 classes visit Stonehenge (tbc)
w/c 12 Feb	Half Term holidays
19 Feb	INSET
13 Mar	SEND Coffee Session 2-3pm Exam arrangements
17 Mar	Red Nose Day
16/17 Apr	Bikeability Training
25 Apr	SEND Coffee Session 2-3pm SENDIAS—support for families
w/c 13 May	Yr 6 SATS Exams
4 Jun	2x Yr 5 classes visit Stonehenge (tbc)
w/c 10 Jun	Activities Week
10-14 Jun	Yr 8 trip to France
3 Jul	Transfer Day
5 Jul	Yrs 5 & 6 Sports Day
10/11 Jul	Summer Show—details to follow
12 Jul	Yrs 7 & 8 Sports Day



ATTENTION

Unfortunately we have received a number of reports of head lice around the academy.

Kindly check your child's head regularly, and treat if necessary

Thank you for your support.