



OAKFIELD ACADEMY
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

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Oakfield Academy Active Challenge Week!

Oakfield Active Challenge Week (5th-9th July) will challenge pupils and staff to increase their physical activity, with the aim of creating new healthy habits. The week aims to have a positive impact on staff and pupil physical and mental well-being and will include a walk/cycle to school challenge, wake up and shake on arrival to school, lunchtime activities and interform-games afternoon.



School Photographs

Please note that the deadline for placing orders online is **Friday 11th June 2021.**

Positive Covid Results

Where pupils or staff test positive for COVID-19 during half-term, having developed symptoms more than 2 days since being in school, no action is needed. Please inform the academy and follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

However, where pupils or staff test positive having developed symptoms within 2 days of being in school, you are asked to email the academy at

oakfieldacademy@educ.somerset.gov.uk so that we can assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in school.

THANK YOU.



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If you would like further information on any of the items in the newsletter, please contact the school office.

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FITNESS DAY OAKFIELD CANTEEN

Thursday 17th June 2021

MENU

Cajun Spiced Chicken with New Potatoes OR
Spring Vegetable Pasta Bake
Super Greens OR Mixed Salad
Rainbow Fruit Salad & Low-fat Yoghurt



WIN PRIZES !!!!!

Come and join the Friends of Egford Park!

Saturday 29th May 11am – 12pm
In the park

Find out how you can get involved in our wonderful local park and green space:

- Join the Friends group
- Talk about plans, including the Tiny Forest
- Get involved in events and campaigns
- Do some litter-picking

Everyone welcome!

If you can't make it but want to know more, email: friendsofegfordpark@gmail.com



Diary Dates

7 June	INSET
8 June	Pupils return, Term 6
11 June	Deadline for school photograph orders on line
16 June	Year 8 Transition Assessments at Frome College (9am-12.30pm)
17 June	Fitness theme day in Canteen
21,22,23 June	Year 6 visits to Braeside
w/c 28 June	Year 8 Charterhouse Camps
5 July	Welcome Evening to meet new Tutors
w/c 5 July	Oakfield Active Challenge Week
7 July	TRANSFER DAY Year 4 -> Year 5 Year 5 -> Year 6 Year 6 -> Year 7 Year 7 -> Air Hop Bristol Year 8 -> Frome College
14 July	Bastille theme day in Canteen
19 July	Year 8 Presentation Evening Memorial Hall, Frome
19 July	Year 5 visit Wookey Hole
22 July	Year 8 visit Thorpe Park
23 July	Last Day (finish 2pm) Summer Holidays
6 September	INSET
7 September	INSET
8 September	Pupils return, Term 1
9 September	New Year 5 photographs



Fancy doing something different?

1st and 7th Jubilee Scout Group run Beaver, Cub and Scout sessions for boys and girls in Frome and we are looking for more adults who would like to join us. *Could this be you?*

Do you love being outdoors, camping and campfires? Do you enjoy helping young people learn new skills? Do you love being part of a team? Did you love being a Cub/Scout or a Brownie/Guide? Would you like to develop new skills and meet new people?

You don't have to Bear Grylls to volunteer! We are looking for people with a 'can do' attitude and who are willing to learn and give things a go. You don't have to have all the skills already – we have a supportive team and a great training programme, mostly online. And what do you get in return? A new challenge, new skills, greater confidence, a chance to give back but most of all, a chance to have FUN!

If you think you might be interested please get in touch for a chat. We'd love to hear from you! Please contact Jackie Monk on fagsleader@gmail.com

Thank You from the DfE

We would like to thank you for your continued support in testing. Over 40 million tests with staff and students have now been conducted as part of the education testing programme.

Please continue to test twice-weekly over half-term and test before returning to school after the holiday.

Reminders

LATERAL FLOW TESTING—Year 7 and 8 pupils should still complete Lateral Flow Tests during the half-term holidays. This is especially important on the Sunday/Monday or Tuesday morning before the pupils return on TUESDAY 8TH JUNE 2021.

MONDAY 7TH JUNE 2021—INSET.

UNIFORM—All pupils should be wearing full school uniform and full PE kit on the days that they have a PE lesson.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

CAKETASTIC!

Some of our amazing Yr 8 iced cakes, well done everybody!



The truth about ENERGY DRINKS



Energy drinks of any kind are not permitted on school site for our young people. As the NHS clearly states '**Energy drinks hold no health benefits for children**'. If children drink these types of drinks, (Monster, Red Bull etc) they are more susceptible to the negative impacts of them including;

- Heart palpitations,
- Sleeping problems,
- Headaches,
- Nausea,
- Vomiting,
- Diarrhoea,
- Seizures,
- Increase in weight



These drinks can also have adverse effects on reaction times and concentration if continually consumed. In 2018 the Department of Health and Social Care ran a consultation on banning the sale of energy drinks to all under the age of 16 in the UK. In August 2019 the law was passed **banning the sale of these types of drinks to under 16s**. We want our young people to be happy and healthy as they develop and these sorts of drinks may prevent that from happening positively so please can you reiterate to your child that they are not to be drunk at all,



Dear Parents,

Thank you to all those parents who supported us by completing the parental survey last term. Oakfield's Board of Trustees and the Senior Leadership Team have taken great pleasure in reading the vast number of positive comments and praise and we have taken on board the suggestions made. Our area of focus should another lockdown impact our current schooling arrangements, is for more live lessons and opportunities for activities away from screens to be planned for. In conjunction with this we will continue to develop our strategy for pupil feedback to ensure it reassures, challenges and motivates each pupil's remote learning.

The results showed a mixed feeling about the virtual parents' evenings this year. We did unfortunately experience technical difficulties during some of the evenings which may have contributed towards this. Next year we will look to use a mixture of meetings in person and virtually and explore different providers. Thank you for your feedback.

Catrin Cross

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Oakfield Academy

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

If you are eligible for free school meals, we will be arranging for Vouchers from Asda to be emailed to you for the half term holidays next week. There will be £15 per week per child to enable you to purchase food for your child's lunch each day. The email will arrive in your Inbox on Tuesday 1st June. We will be using the email address you have provided to the academy.

Please look out for an email from Asda which will explain the process you will need to follow to claim your vouchers.

We will communicate further arrangements following Government announcements.