

# Newsletter

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OAKFIELD ACADEMY  
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

## Oakfield SATs 2024

Last week saw Oakfield receive some pleasing results for our Year 6 pupils. I would like to take a moment to thank everyone involved in the process from site staff, support staff, teaching staff to most importantly the pupils. The whole process in May was a real success the pupils conducted themselves so well and we all have reaped the rewards of the hard work that went into the days, weeks and months before. Below is a snapshot of the Year groups results overall but it doesn't take into account the vast amount of progress individual children made from when they first joined us.

English Reading 70% achieving Age Related Expectations, up 16% from last year!

English Writing 78% achieving Age Related Expectations, up 9% from last year!

English Grammar 62% achieving Age Related Expectations, up 9% from last year!

Maths 50% achieving Age Related Expectations, up 11% from last year!

Combined Reading, Writing and Maths 43% achieving Age Related Expectations, up 12% from last year!

**Well done all! Mr Bowker**



**On Wednesday 17th July the Year 8 Rounders champions took on Oakfield Academy staff. It was an amazing afternoon of Rounders with some great catches, hitting and fielding. A special mention goes to Maddie Harris, Rosie Carter and Hannah Puleston – voted as “Players of the Day”, and on the staff team Miss Crowther took the honour. Great play by all!**



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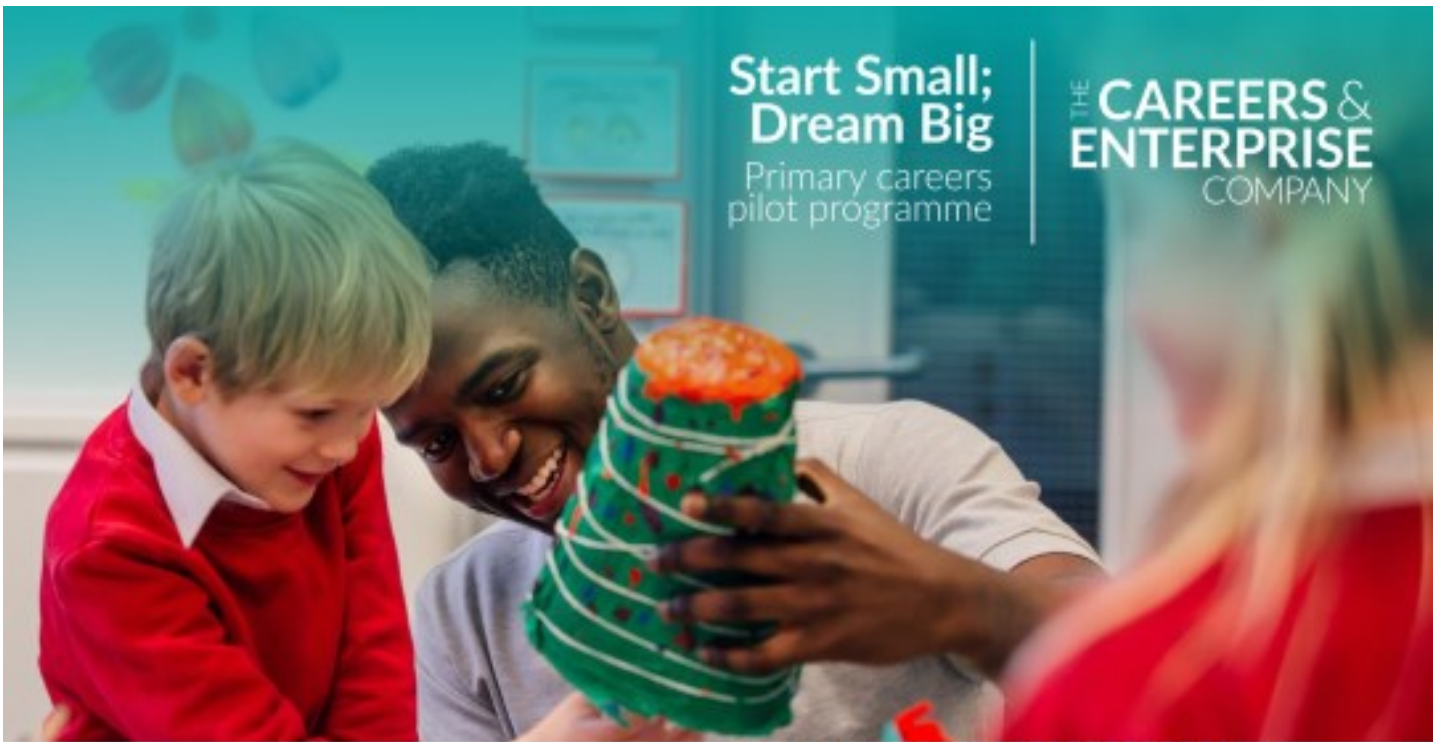
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**Start Small;  
Dream Big**  
Primary careers  
pilot programme

THE CAREERS &  
**ENTERPRISE**  
COMPANY



# Oakfield Academy

is proud to have participated in  
The Careers & Enterprise Company's  
**Start Small: Dream Big Primary  
Careers Pilot Programme.**

We have explored how to creatively embed careers education in the primary curriculum to increase our pupils' awareness of the world of work.





# KS3 Sports Day - 18th July 2024



Thank you to everyone who supported our KS3 Sports Day on Thursday—the weather eventually was very kind !  
Full results in next week's edition.



# Science

Last week 8C and 8S used sweets to model the rock cycle, involving eroding the rocks using scissors to form sedimentary rock, applying pressure to flatten and form metamorphic rock & heating and cooling using the Bunsen burners to form magma and igneous rock.

Year 7 RNS have been learning about ecology and undertaken several field studies on analysing the distribution of plant life using quadrats & transects in the harmony garden & school field.

**Pictured: Genny Conway and Romilly Squirrel-Bowman, pictures taken by Indigo Dixon.**



In a sneaky preview of Year 7 & KS3 Science, 6S have been learning about variables and how to make experiments fair, reliable and valid by investigating how the temperature of water affects the time it takes for sugar to dissolve. I am super impressed with the maturity and safe behaviour shown and thoughtful contributions.

**Pictured: Billy Comer, Isla Hunter, Lily St Clair and Mollie Wines.**





# Science



## UK STEM CHAMPIONS !

Yes, you read that right. Oakfield Academy, UK Champions!

Huge congratulations to Charlie Tolcher-Jones, Tyler Amphlett, Archie Hinchcliffe and Toby Parker who have won the June GoIT monthly challenge on their app design CTA Pro on combating solutions to poverty.

Well done also to Romilly Squirrel Bowman, Indigo Dixon, Lillian Tucker, Genny Conway, Sofia Peet, Mila Peet and Annabeth Apps who also submitted an entry to the challenge.

"The judges were highly impressed with your app idea "CTA Pro". They loved how intentional you were about reducing poverty by creating a platform to aid your community center in an innovative and practical way and the topic was clearly well researched and reflected highly within your work."

**MR SHADDICK**

# MATHS

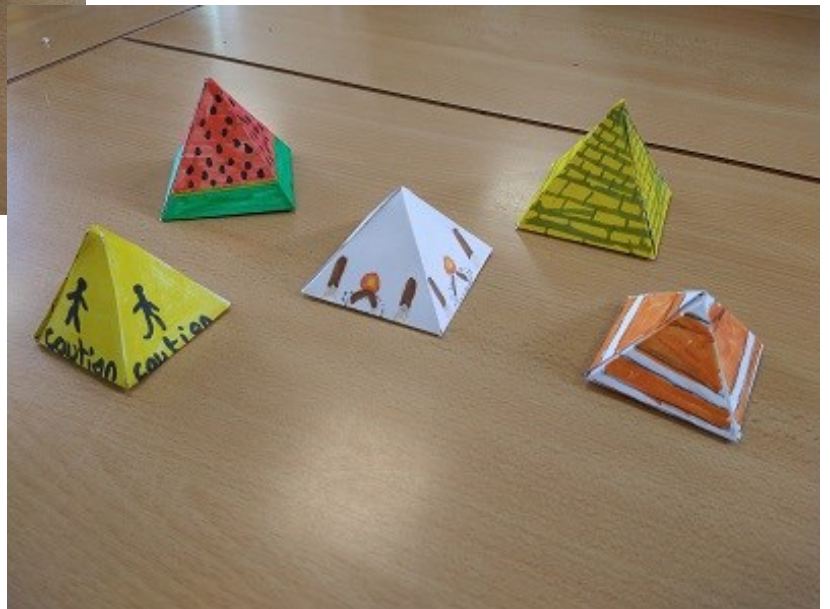


6 Lovelace have been studying nets of 3D shapes and were inspired to create and illustrate their own 3D shapes, including cubes, cuboids, pyramids and prisms.



Can you recognise what their objects are?

MISS PENNY





# ENGLISH

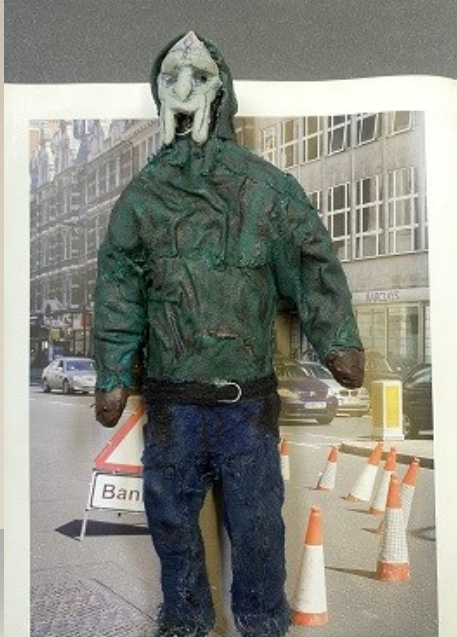


## YEAR FIVE POETRY SLAM WINNERS

1st Mark Salmon, 2nd Miles Harper and 3rd Esme Cowler



# ART





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## 'My Voice Matters' photography project

This year, Oakfield Academy's art department received curriculum enrichment funding for a photography project to support a number of KS3 pupils. The 'My Voice Matters' project had several aims: to give the group a grounding in basic photography skills; to build pupils' confidence in expressing themselves, and for all to have a positive, rewarding experience. The group were lucky to have the support of Joss Barratt, a film photographer, who joined us to teach pupils visual literacy and help them produce some wonderful photos. Thank you also to Mrs Applegate, Mrs Jones and Mrs Dredge, who also offered their skills and support. Please come along to see pupils' photography at the Silk Mill gallery in Frome, from 5.30pm on Tuesday 23rd July (the exhibition will also run on 24th from 9.00am - 9.00pm).

MS MUNDY

## Goodbye to our Year 8s! Final unit: figurative sculpture

This is our last opportunity to see the wonderful work of the year 8 pupils. For their final unit, we worked on figurative sculpture. The pupils liked being creative using wire and mod roc - very messy. I hope you enjoy the work of the following pupils, who worked so hard on their sculptures.

Loki Woodbury - man in mask  
Martha Riggs - Thomas Jefferson  
Mae Bairstow - Po  
Devon Cooper - crouching figure  
Rio Carrero - warrior figure  
Luna Psa-Treadway - footballer  
Archie Sandy - Spooderman  
Florence Parker - rat  
Hannah Puleston - pig

I wish the year 8s a happy summer and every success for the future. MS MUNDY

## 'My Voice Matters' photography exhibition

Invitation



Oakfield Academy's photography exhibition 'My Voice Matters'

Venue: [The Silk Mill in Frome](#)

Open to public:

Date:  
Tuesday 23 July 2024, 5.30 - 9.00  
and  
Wednesday 24 July 9.00 - 9.00

(Postcards available to purchase - all proceeds to project)



Purple Elephant presents

# Silent Disco



From  
**CHILDREN'S  
Festival**

Sunday 21st July  
6pm - 9pm  
Cheese and Grain  
8 - 13 yr olds  
**FREE!**

Places must be booked in advance.  
Email on [info@purpleelephant.org.uk](mailto:info@purpleelephant.org.uk)  
Adults must accompany their children  
at the disco.

# New Menu

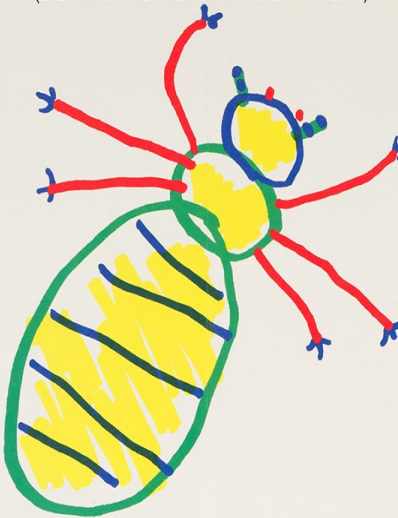
## September 24

You can check out the new Menu for our Canteen using the following link:-









[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ThFVynE5wtdmvUSxatgM7i4L63TJvxCPFBYLewl5HpM/edit?usp=sharing\\_eil\\_m&ts=6673d04e](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ThFVynE5wtdmvUSxatgM7i4L63TJvxCPFBYLewl5HpM/edit?usp=sharing_eil_m&ts=6673d04e)

# LICE ARE NOT NICE.

(BUT ANYONE CAN GET THEM)



1. These are head lice... tiny insects that live on the scalp. (shown in actual size)
2. If you get lice, you may not be able to see them... because they make your head *itch*.
3. Lots of kids get lice, because they spread very easily even though they can't jump or fly.
4. So don't try on your friends' hats, scarves or other clothing, or borrow their combs or brushes.
5. If your head itches a lot, tell your teacher or the nurse right away.
6. You may not have lice, but they can tell if you do.
7. If you do, your parents will wash your hair with a special shampoo the nurse recommends. It kills lice *fast*, but it won't hurt you.
8. Then they'll use a special comb to help get all the lice and lice eggs out of your hair.
9. Your parents will also wash or dry-clean your bedding and clothing, and use a special spray that kills lice on carpets and furniture.
10. So you won't itch anymore!

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# UNIFORM DONATIONS

If you have any unwanted or outgrown good quality uniform, we would welcome donations. Items can be dropped off in our Reception, where we have a donations box.

Thank you.



Our core purpose is to inspire all pupils to believe in their abilities and to achieve their highest level.



**Open Day / Evening 2024**  
**Thursday 19th September 2024**



Midsomer Norton  
Schools Partnership

Daytime Tours: 9.15am & 11.30am (by appointment)  
Open Evening: 6.00pm—7.30pm  
Head's Presentation: 6.00pm

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E: oakfield@oakfieldacademy.org.uk

# EXTRA INSET DAY

**Wednesday 27th  
November 2024**

## REQUEST FROM THE PE DEPARTMENT

If your child is leaving Oakfield this term, our has outgrown their current PE kit, please consider donating items to the academy. Polo Shirts, Shorts, Skorts and Hoodies all welcome—especially larger sizes.

Thank you for your support.

## POLITE REMINDER

**Scooters are NOT allowed in school, any brought in will be confiscated and parents will need to collect them.**

**Thank you.**



# Diary Dates

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| 22 Jul     | Yr 8 Presentation Evening at<br>The Memorial Hall, Frome                                  |
| 23 Jul     | Yr 8 'Leavers Trip'<br>Chessington World of Adventure                                     |
| 23 Jul     | FLG Summer Picnic   |
| 24 Jul     | Last day of Term, finish 12.15<br>(school transport will pick up at<br>this earlier time) |
| 25 Jul     | Uniform available to buy<br>9am—3pm   |
| 26 Jul     | Uniform available to buy<br>9am—1pm   |
| 2 Sep      | INSET, Uniform available to buy<br>9am—3pm  |
| 3 Sep      | Term 1 2024/25 , pupils return  |
| 4 Sep      | Yr 5 individual photographs   |
| 19 Sep     | Open Day & Evening 2024   |
| 26 Sep     | Frome College Open Day  |
| 27 Sep     | Year 4 Taster Morning at Oakfield   |
| 23 Oct     | Yr 5 (2 classes) visit Stonehenge   |
| 25 Oct     | INSET day   |
| w/c 28 Oct | Half Term Holidays  |
| Mon 4 Nov  | Term 2  |
| 27 Nov     | INSET day   |
| 20 Dec     | Last day of Term 2  |
| w/c 23 Dec | Christmas Holidays  |
| w/c 30 Dec | Christmas Holidays  |
| Mon 6 Jan  | INSET day   |
| Tue 7 Jan  | Term 3  |
| 12 Feb     | Yr 5 (2 classes ) visit Stonehenge  |

## LOST PROPERTY

**We have a large amount  
of unclaimed lost  
property. If you are  
missing any items, please  
collect it from  
Reprographics asap.**

## Parent Governor Vacancy

**In September we will be  
recruiting new Parent  
Governors to join our Board.  
More information to follow.  
In the meantime, if you are  
interested in  
becoming a Governor and  
would like to have an informal  
chat about this, please contact  
the academy office by  
telephone or email  
([oakfield@  
oakfieldacademy.org.uk](mailto:oakfield@oakfieldacademy.org.uk))  
and ask to speak with the  
Chair of Governors,  
**Melody Hunter-Evans.****

**The "S" cake sale last Friday raised £47.20 !**