



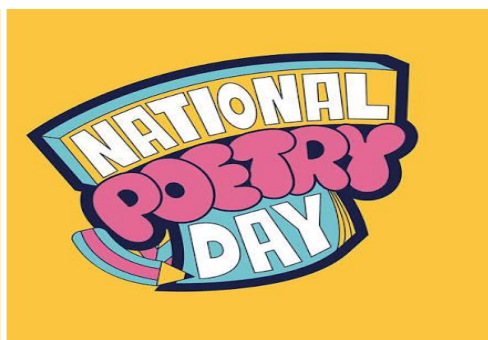
OAKFIELD ACADEMY

BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

Oakfield Academy
newsletter

We work hard to show Ambition, Etiquette, Honesty, Respect, Kindness and Pride

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WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

We're celebrating World Mental Health Day with a Wear Yellow day, creative activities and a special staff running challenge!

Find out more on page 6!

NATIONAL POETRY DAY

We celebrated National Poetry Day with poetry, creativity and inspiration! From live performances to pupils writing their own poems, there was plenty to spark 'Wonder'.

Read more on page 4!

MEET THE TEACHER

This week, get to know Mr George, who shares his passion for making Science fun, engaging and accessible for every pupil.

Find out more on page 3!

GET IN TOUCH

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Facebook: Oakfield Academy-MNSP

Attendance: attendance@oakfield.mnsp.org.uk





DIARY DATES 25/26



OCTOBER

9 Oct	World Mental Health Day
22-23 Oct	INSET Days
26-30 Oct	Half Term

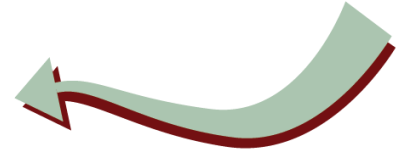
NOVEMBER

2 Nov	Flu Vaccination
11-18 Nov	Book Fair
25 Nov	INSET Day
26 Nov	Year 6 Panto Trip

DECEMBER

18 Dec	Last Day of Term
21-4 Jan	Christmas Holidays

REMINDERS



BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club is available every morning from 8.00am, providing pupils with a welcoming and relaxed start to the school day.

Spaces are available to book through Arbor. We encourage parents to book in advance to secure a place.

We look forward to welcoming your child to Breakfast Club!

GAMES, GAMES, GAMES!

We are looking to bolster our wet play game options for pupils at break times and would be very grateful for donations of board games, chess sets, puzzles, cards and colouring/doodling books.

If you have any games or activities that you no longer need and would like to donate, please drop them into the Academy office.

Thank you for your support!



MEET THE TEACHER

Been teaching 26 years, this is my 4th year at Oakfield.

My favourite part of the job is getting a child to understand the scientific concept using a way which works for them. Using pics, stories, videos, in fact any method that allows the child to engage, learn and be able to tell somebody else all about it. Not every child learns using a powerpoint, I never did!!..

I ran my own science show business for 13 years, delivering fun and innovative science shows and workshops across the country. Seeing up to 17,000+ children a year.

I'm also an assessor for the U16 ladies, U18 ladies and the women's rugby for Gloucester.

Mr G (These are my initials and children used to see it on their timetables, so Mr G stuck as my name!!)

10 DAYS OF POSITIVE ATTENDANCE!

From 8th October to 21st October, we're celebrating our 10 Days of Positive Attendance challenge.

We're encouraging all our students to:

Be in school

Be on time

Be their best !

Good attendance helps students improve learning, build confidence, stay connected and open up more opportunities - and there are prizes available along the way.

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10 DAYS OF POSITIVE ATTENDANCE
Every day counts!

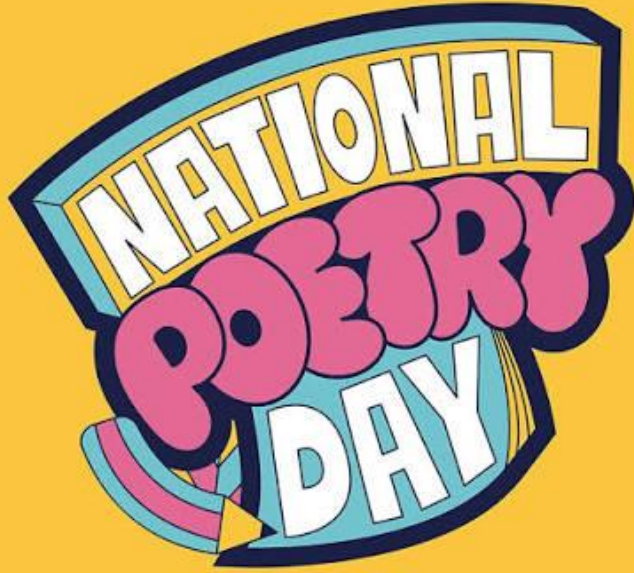
☆ Be in school, be on time, be your best! ☆

RUNNING FROM 8TH OCTOBER – 21ST OCTOBER

PRIZES AVAILABLE!

IMPROVES LEARNING | BUILDS CONFIDENCE | KEEPS YOU CONNECTED | OPENS MORE OPPORTUNITIES

Let's make every day count!

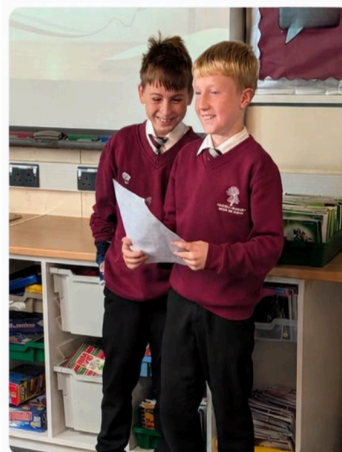


NATIONAL POETRY DAY

On Thursday 1st October, we celebrated National Poetry Day across the academy, with this year's theme being 'Wonder'.

Our pupils enjoyed some fantastic activities throughout the day:

- Live Interactive Lesson: some pupils across all year groups tuned into a special live lesson led by the National Literacy Trust and Hot Poets, featuring an incredible performance by Michael Rosen.
- Year 6 Poetry Performances: Inspired by Matt Goodfellow's moving novel *The Final Year*, our Year 6 pupils have crafted their own original poems and performed them in class.



How to get involved at home: We encourage parents and carers to share and celebrate a love of literature by reading poems aloud with their children at home. For inspiration, families could watch renowned poets perform their work on the [CLPE Poetry Video Library](#). It is a wonderful opportunity to inspire a sense of wonder through the power of poetry!



YEAR 7 ENTER THE WORLD OF MELODRAMA

Our Year 7 pupils have been diving headfirst into the dramatic world of Melodrama!

This term, they're exploring classic character archetypes, bringing to life: The Villain, The Comedian, The Virtuous Heroine and The Unfortunate Hero.

From dramatic gasped sighs to exaggerated physical comedy, our young performers are learning the importance of body language.



A NOTE ABOUT SAFEGUARDING...

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our pupils, please contact the school office and ask to speak to our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Thomas, or any of our Deputy Safeguarding Leads: Miss Nightingale, Mrs Green, Mrs Gardner or Mrs Stickley. You can also email any safeguarding concerns to

oak-it-safeguarding@oakfield.mnsp.org.uk

The safety of our young people is the responsibility of us all.

During the school holidays if you have a concern about a child, please contact Children's Social Care by phone on **0300 123 2224** or email childrens@somerset.gov.uk.

Out of office hours

If you would like to speak to a social worker outside of office hours, please phone the Emergency Duty Team on **0300 123 2327**.

Tell us immediately about any of the following and open the relevant option for details on how to report your concern:

- A child is suffering significant harm
- You want to protect a child from abuse or serious neglect
- You feel the child requires urgent or short-term care (acute services)

Or you can contact NSPCC Helpline via email help@nspcc.org.uk anytime or call 0808 800 5000 between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday.



WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

On Friday 9th October, we will be celebrating World Mental Health Day at Oakfield Academy. Mental health is an important part of our everyday lives and we want to raise awareness of how important it is to look after our mental health every day.

To celebrate, we will be holding a Wear Yellow non-uniform day. Pupils can wear all yellow or simply add a touch of yellow, such as yellow socks. We will also be holding a House Art Competition to help raise awareness of mental health.

We ask that all outfits are appropriate for school and that pupils do not dye their hair or skin.

A voluntary donation of £1 is requested, with proceeds being split between the World Mental Health Foundation and Place2Be.

Thank you for your support! ♥



HOUSE ART COMPETITION

As part of our World Mental Health Day celebrations, we are challenging our pupils to create the best piece of artwork possible!

The challenge is simple: your artwork must be themed around the colour yellow. Get creative and see what you can come up with.

Ms Mundy will judge the entries and choose four winners. Each winner will earn their House a precious Ultimate House Point – and every point could make a difference at the end of term!

There will also be prizes for the winners, awarded in addition to the Ultimate House Points.

Good luck, and let's see your creativity shine!

TAKING CARE OF OUR MINDS AND BODIES

On Sunday 11th October, Miss Offer and Mr Mephram will be taking on a 10km run, while Mr Bowker will be going one step further and running a MARATHON – 42km (26 miles)!

We exercise to stay physically fit, but it is also a great way to support our mental health and wellbeing.

Wish them luck – your support will give them a boost! ♥



A FLYING START TO P.E. AT OAKFIELD ACADEMY!

P.E. at Oakfield Academy has got off to a fantastic start this academic year! Our Year 5 and 6 pupils are already in full swing; tackling football, netball, cricket, swimming and core fundamental skills with great enthusiasm.

Meanwhile, Year 7 and 8 students are kicking off the term with football and netball, focusing on sharpening their technique and teamwork through dynamic, small-sided games.

It has been brilliant seeing so much energy and effort across all year groups on the courts, pitches and in the pool. Thank you for your continued support in ensuring your children arrive ready with the correct kit each week.



A warm welcome also to Mr Brown, who has joined the P.E. department from Park Road and will be with us up until Christmas.



CONGRATS OAKFIELD!

Stars of the Week

- Year 5** Sophia B, Leo G and David F.
- Year 6** Tilly W, Everleigh S, Scarlett A
Olive C, Keeley F, Alfredo L, Bella G,
and Everest H.
- Year 7** Esme J, Sophie B, Jude P K,
Luna K E, Olive B F and Orson G.
- Year 8** Lily A, Edith G and Lexi-Mai.

Readers of the Week

- Year 5** Olivia B, Alya E, Joey H, Dylan M
and Chelsea J.
- Year 6** Logan S, Theo K, Phoebe P,
Louis S, Niah T, Rae O, Jack C
and Freddie G.



BEYOND THE GATES

FROME
MULTICULTURAL
FESTIVAL

FREE ENTRY

MUSIC AND DANCE

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

12PM - 3PM

ARTS AND CRAFTS

BRING CASH

FOOD TO TRY AND BUY

LOCAL PEOPLE SHARING AND CELEBRATING THEIR DIVERSITY

11TH OF OCTOBER 2026
AT THE CHEESE AND GRAIN

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE EMAIL LENKAGRIMES@GMAIL.COM OR AZEEMACAFF@GMAIL.COM

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FREE* Courses & Workshops!

Understanding Neurodiversity: ADHD Awareness - Starter

Want to better understand ADHD and how it affects those who have it?

This course offers a clear, supportive introduction to ADHD - its possible causes, common characteristics and the strengths and challenges people may experience. Whether you are learning for yourself, or to support someone else, you'll gain valuable insight in a respectful and confidential online space with plenty of time for discussion and reflection.

Follow the QR code below for details

- Key behaviours and characteristics
- Brain differences in ADHD
- ADHD and mental health
- Sensory sensitivity, stimming and masking
- Recognising differences, strengths and misconceptions

When: Thursdays 10:00 – 12:30
24th Sept – 15th Oct 2026

Where: Online

*Eligibility applies

Scan to sign up!

Somerset Council

Visit ssalcourses.co.uk or call 0330 332 7997 for more information



Avon and Somerset Police
ROADS POLICING

E-SCOOTERS AND THE LAW

It is against the law to ride a privately-owned electric scooter (e-scooter) on a public road or pavement. We understand that buying an e-scooter can be tempting, especially as you can buy them from many popular retailers.

Current law

You can buy an e-scooter, but you can't ride it on a UK public road, cycle lane or pavement. The only place those e-scooters can be used is on private land with the landowner's permission.

As e-scooters do not have number plates, signalling ability and do not always have visible rear lights, they can't be used legally on the roads.

Why is this?

E-scooters are classified as Personal Light Electric Vehicles (PLEV's), so they are treated as motor vehicles and subject to the same legal requirements, such as:

- MOT
- tax
- licensing
- insurance



Avon and Somerset Police
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What happens if I'm stopped by the police?

The police will advise you of the current law on using an e-scooter legally and have the powers to seize it. Alongside this you could face a fine and/or points on your driving licence as anyone riding an e-scooter, must adhere to the normal traffic laws when on the road. Once seized the e-scooter is destroyed.

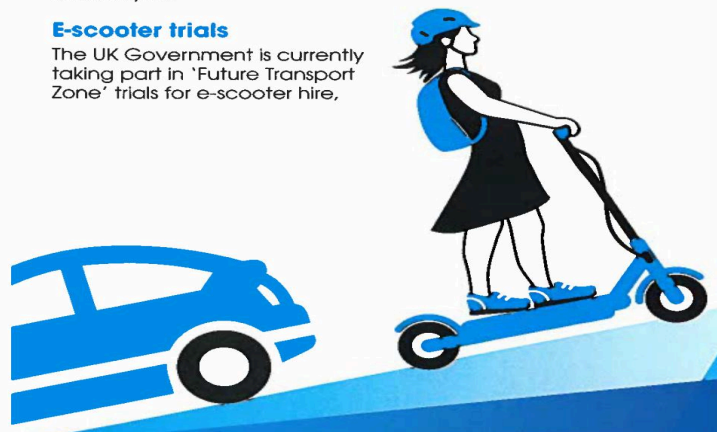
E-scooter trials

The UK Government is currently taking part in 'Future Transport Zone' trials for e-scooter hire,

with a view to making them legal to use on the roads. Enquire with your local authority for a trial closest to you.

Further information

Further details can be found on the following government website:
Powered transporters - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)



OAKFIELD LIFE



SAINT
School Aged Immunisation Nursing Team

NHS
Somerset
NHS Foundation Trust

School aged vaccinations

Did you know they will be offered these routine vaccinations at school?

✓ **FLU** - Reception- Year 11

✓ **MMR** - Year 8

✓ **HPV** - Year 8

✓ **Meningitis ACWY** - Year 9

✓ **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP)**

FLU

HPV

MMR

DIPHTHERIA TETANUS

MENINGITIS ACWY

For further information scan the QR code or please speak with a member of the team

0300 323 0032
SomersetSaint@somersetft.nhs.uk

Did you miss us?

We also have community clinics across somerset for:

✓ Home Educated Children

✓ Children who missed the session at School

✓ Anxious Children

*Kindness, Respect, Teamwork
Everyone, Every day*

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CHANGING LIVES THROUGH LEARNING

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Story Explorers: Room on the Broom

Come on a familylearning adventure!

Encourage love of reading and literacy in your child this Halloween. Meet the witch, the cat, the dog, the bird, the frog and, of course, the dragon of "Room on the Broom" by Julia Donaldson and engage with the story in a new way, through role-play, creativity and games.

Suitable for children aged 2 to 7. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times. Older and younger siblings welcome

Activities include;

- Reading the Room on the Broom
- Colouring pictures from the story with a variety of art materials
- Role play the characters
- Search and find games
- Paint or draw your own swamp monster... and more

When: Friday 30th October
10am – 11.30am

Where: Frome Library, Justice Lane,
Frome BA11 1BE

*Eligibility applies

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Learning Together: Family Nature Crafts - Starter

Foster a love of nature in your children this autumn

With the indoor and outdoor space at The Key Centre, Frome, as the perfect setting, come and enjoy some nature craft activities together with your child(ren), with time to reflect and spend quality time in nature.

Explore the benefits of connecting with nature through creativity and crafts and discover how to bring nature to your own doorstep.

Suitable for children aged 5 to 12. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times. Older and younger siblings welcome

Naturecraft activities will include;

- Scavenger hunts for natural materials
- Sensory exploration of the natural world
- Art making with natural objects, paint and clay
- Making poems and stories about nature
- Making a bug house and a bird feeder
- Planting seeds for spring flowering

**Tuesday 22nd Sept to 13th Oct
4pm**

The Key Centre, Frome, BA11 5AJ

*Eligibility applies

Story Explorers: The Tiger Who Came to Tea

Come on a familylearning adventure!

Have tea with the tiger from Judith Kerr's classic children's book "The Tiger Who Came to Tea". With the book as our guide, you and your little one can explore the story and enjoy tailored craft and role-play activities along the way. Your child can actively take part in the story, role playing and responding throughout. Learn how to encourage a love of reading in your child.

Ideal for children aged 2 to 7. Children must be supervised by an adult at all times. Older and younger siblings welcome

Activities include;

- Reading The Tiger Who Came to Tea story together
- Colouring pictures from the story with a variety of art materials
- Role play the characters
- Make your own tea tray of tasty treats... and more!

When: Monday 26th October
10am – 11.30am

Where: The Key Centre, Feltham Lane,
Frome, BA11 5AJ

*Eligibility applies

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