



OAKFIELD ACADEMY
BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

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A huge welcome to all of our new Year 5 pupils and welcome back to our Year 6, 7 and 8 pupils. Everybody was delighted to see the total transformation of our rather dated quad area. Old paving has been removed and been replaced with smart new astro turf. The picnic benches have been replaced with sturdy new picnic benches made from 100% recycled material (2 more are currently being assembled). Special thanks to Mr Millard and Mr Page (our Premises Team) for their assistance in making this marvellous project happen successfully. We're looking forward to installing the new planters next !



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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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A large font version of the newsletter is available from Reception.



Fair Frome Food at Five

Come along for a hot freshly cooked meal each week in term time starting 2nd September!

Monday 5pm — Key Centre

Wednesday 5pm—Frome Football Club

Thursday 5pm—Trinity Church Hall

Free to anyone on benefits or low income. Suggested £2 donation for others. Families and Children welcome

Vegetarian option available Contact us for any other specific dietary requirements or for more information

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SATURDAY MORNING MUSIC CLUB



Mrs Hooper is one of our Peri Music teachers and is part of a small team involved in setting up a Saturday Morning Music Club in Frome with the support of Jackdaws Educational Trust. They are hoping to be up and running by Spring 2020 and are currently fundraising to enable this to happen.

Please check out the link below to Mendip Lottery, where you will see more details on the project and how you can support us, it costs only £1 a week.

<https://www.shapemendiplottery.co.uk/support/jackdaws-music-education->

NAME, NAME, NAME !

Please ensure all items of uniform and personal property are clearly named. We already have a number of un-named items in our Lost Property box. Many thanks.



EX PUPIL STARS IN ITV'S 'SANDITON'

Former pupil, Kayleigh-Paige Rees plays Julia Beaufort in ITV's 'Sanditon' on Sunday evenings, this is the unfinished Jane Austen novel which was filmed in Bristol and on the south coast. Kayleigh is also pictured with class mates below when she was in Year 8 and Mr Gough was her tutor.





FROME TOWN BAND NEEDS YOU

Would you like to play a brass instrument?

Would you like to have fun whilst enjoying music?

We are a community brass band, an affordable way to learn music as it is only £7 a month! For this membership fee you get a brass instrument and group music tuition every week for 45 minutes.

Our beginners band meets on Wednesday nights from 6.00-6.45pm at the old media centre in Frome College (Aspire—the building just in front of the Sports Centre in the car park).

If you or your children are interested, please email

contactfrometownband@gmail.com or visit

www.frometownband.com for more information. Or just turn up on Wednesday.

Why not come and see us perform at the Frome Cheese Show—Saturday 14th September, we are by the tea tent and opposite the members tent.



Bike Jumble to raise money for Missing Links

Frome's Missing Links need your spare bikes and bike bits! They are collecting for a 'Bike Jumble' at the October Frome Independent Market, and all money raised will go towards linking local traffic free cycle routes.

Please bring your bike jumble donations to Oakfield Academy on Tuesday 24th September and Tuesday 1st October between 6pm-7pm.

Thank you for your support.



New Cleaning Staff

A big welcome to Oakfield Academy to our two new cleaners, Mandy Stevens and Lisa Plummer, who join our hard working cleaning team keeping the Academy ship shape for all of our pupils and staff!

Somerset County Council

Guidance on Recording Absences

Please be aware that we are now required to provide more detailed information when reporting a child's absence to County. We are no longer allowed to simply submit "ill" or "sick" therefore our Reception staff will be asking you the nature of your child's illness.

Similarly, we are unable to record "appointment" for the whole day—therefore if their appointment is in the morning and your child does not return to school in the afternoon, the afternoon will be recorded as unauthorised.

If you are leaving a message on our school answerphone regarding your child's absence, kindly follow these guidelines as our Attendance Officer will need to contact you if we do not receive the full information. Many thanks for your support.

Oakfield Academy After School & Lunchtime Clubs – Autumn 2019

Name of Club and Organiser	Day	Time	Where	Start Date	Finish Date
Enrichment Centre – Computers need to be booked - Year 5 pupils require a written permission to stay after school in their Journals.	Mon-Fri	3.00-4.00pm	Enrichment Centre	All year	
IF A CLUB IS CANCELLED – PUPILS SHOULD GO TO THE ENRICHMENT CENTRE WHERE THEY WILL BE SUPERVISED.					
'The Wizard of Oz' Performance Club (whole school) with Ms Parsons	Tue	3.00-4.15pm	Hall	24.09.19	07.07.20
Yrs 5/6 Cookery & Textiles Club with Mrs Nightingale	Tue	3.00-4.30pm	D2	01.10.19	07.07.20
Yr 5 Boys & Girls Football with Mr Ward	Tue	3.00-4.10pm	Field	17.09.19	07.07.20
Years 7/8 Netball Club with Miss Pullen	Tue	3.00-4.10pm	Sports Court	17.09.19	17.12.19
Year 7 Boys Rugby club with Mr Fowler	Tue	3.00-4.10pm	Field	17.09.19	17.12.19
Year 8 Boys Rugby Club with Mr Uren	Tue	3.00-4.10pm	Field	17.09.19	17.12.19
Film Club with Ms Evans-Bentley	Wed	3.15–4.45pm	50	28.09.19	08.07.19
Yrs 7/8 Girls Hockey club with Miss Barnes	Wed	3.00-4.10pm	Field	18.09.19	18.12.19
Shakespeare Club with Mrs Pinches (everybody welcome!)	Thu	3.00-4.00pm	Drama Studio/MU1	Dates to follow shortly	
Yrs 5/6 Boys & Girls Netball Club with Miss Pullen	Thu	3.00-4.10pm	Sports Court	19.09.19	24.10.19
Pokemon Club for all pupils with Mr Ward	Thu	3.00-4.00pm	5R	19.09.19	09.07.20
Dungeons & Dragons Club for Year 5 with Mr Ward	Fri	3.00-4.00pm	5R	20.07.19	10.07.20
Yr 6 Boys & Girls Football with Mr Harris	Fri	3.00-4.10pm	Field	20.09.19	10.07.20

Key Stage 2 Homework Clubs: Mon, Tues and Wed 3.00-4.00pm. Year 5 in 5N , Year 6 in 6A. Starting 23.9.19. (Maximum 2 sessions).

Key Stage 3 Homework Clubs: Mon, and Thur 3.00-4.00pm in C1 – see Mrs Handford or Ms Stewart. Starting 12.09.19.

Application letters/permission slips can be completed on ParentPay by selecting 'Pay for other items' and clicking on the name of the club to go to the consent section. Paper copies can be obtained from the Academy office or downloaded from our website. In accordance with our Safeguarding Policy, please ensure club leaders are informed, if for any reason your child is unable to attend a club or moves to another club. Please assume your child has a place at their club unless you hear differently.

New clubs starting regularly, please keep an eye on our website.



Thank you to everyone who visited our stall at the Frome Independent Market recently, it was wonderful to receive so many positive comments and talk to members of the public about our up-coming Open Day and Evening on Thursday 12th September 2019.



Congratulations to Cory Vining who has completed the 'Build a Bike' course. Here he is pictured with the marvellous bike that he is allowed to keep. Well done Cory.

UNIFORM

Thank you very much for all the donations of used school uniform that we have received, they are greatly appreciated.

Good quality uniform donations are always welcome, (especially school ties).

Thank you in advance.



Space Detectives Visit

On the final Monday of the Summer Term all year groups were treated to a presentation by the 'Space Detectives'. These focused on Tim Peake's 'Principia' mission to the International Space Station (ISS). Our students were told about the training Tim Peake underwent to become an astronaut and what life is like for astronauts on the ISS. It was a very informative hour which included many high quality photos taken in Space. Many thanks to all for the donations which allowed for this visit. MR GOUGH, HEAD OF SCIENCE



FAMILY FRIENDLY SINGING AFTERNOON

at Jackdaws, Great Elm BA11 3NY

Sunday 13th October, 2-5pm

Age 7+ per adult/parent

£12 per adult and child pair

Includes tea and cake

Tel: 01373 812383

Book online—

www.jackdaws.org.uk/event-registration-2/?ee=414

Parking

Please ensure you are considerate if you are driving and dropping your child off at the academy in the morning/collecting at the end of the day. The safety of our pupils is paramount so please do not park on pavements, the zigzags at the front of the academy or across our neighbours' drives. If it is not safe to stop, please drop your child further away and allow them to walk. Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Wish you were here !

What a wonderful time last year's Year 5 had on their end of term trip to Cheddar and Weston. Pictured is Shelby Hughes enjoying a donkey ride.

Year Six Enterprise Day

July 2019



PARENT PAY

This is the system that we use to contact parents by email. We use this for all letters, newsletters and for you to give consent and pay if required. The vast majority of parents have registered their email addresses with Parent Pay. Thank you.

PARENT APP

All new parents that have given us their email addresses on application should soon receive an email to follow up from the Parent App letter. This will allow you to download the App and login to see your child's information and reports. This is also where you can update and make changes to personal details, contact information, medical information etc.

DIARY DATES

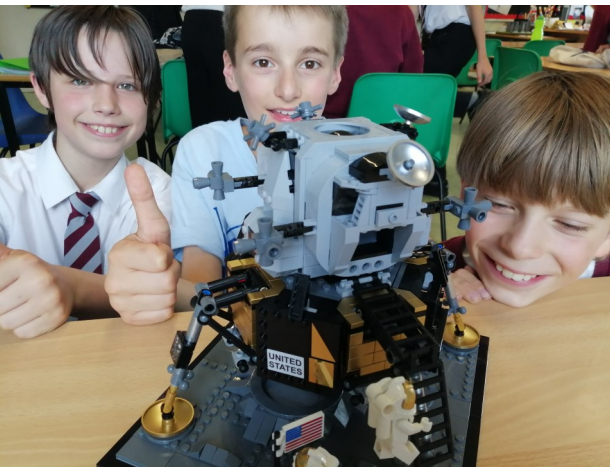
16 September	6O River Trip
17 September	6N River Trip
18 September	Yr 8 Road Safety Talk, ACO
20 September	6A River Trip
21 September	Oakfield Academy taking part in Frome Carnival afternoon procession
24 September	Fundraisers AGM 6pm
25 September	Yr 8 Road Safety Talk, RNS
25 September	Parent Info Sessions, 2pm and 6pm
22 October	Yr 7 visit Montacute Hs
25 October	INSET Day
w/c 28 October	Half Term Holidays
4 November	Term 2
12 & 13 Nov	Bikeability Training
11 December	Yr 6 Pantomime Trip
20 December	Last day of Term 2
21 December	
- 5 January	Christmas Holidays
6 January	INSET Day
7 January	Term 3
20 March	Schools Photos, Yrs 6 7 8



Citizenship Award

We are very proud to announce that 2 of our pupils have been awarded a Citizenship Award for the kindness and compassion they showed a fellow pupil who was in an unpleasant situation in a local park recently.

Nicole Goodall and Caitlin Luke were presented their awards in assembly by Sgt. Rachel Clark and PCSO Gary Maule. Miss Wilkes is holding the academy's Citizenship Award plaque which will be engraved with their names.



To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing, last year's 5R spent a day taking it in turns to build a special commemorative lego moonlander. The set was recommended for ages 16+ and had over a thousand pieces—however with great dedication the team completed the task after 8 hours! Pictured are Ivo Woodbury, team leader and Mr Ward's son—Milo, and finally Caleb Phillips-Fuller. Great work lads!

**OAKFIELD FUNDRAISERS
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Tuesday 24th September 2019
6pm
ALL WELCOME**