Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter: 10th September 2021

Newsletter

This Week

The summer has flown past and it has been wonderful seeing the children back in school. The children have settled in really well and we are looking forward to an exciting half term.

On Monday the children attended a special Sports for Champions UK assembly where they learnt about the Olympics, which took place in Tokyo. The assembly promoted how well British Athletes performed during the tournament. There will be a follow up day on the 30th September where the children will take part in a carousel of sports activities.

Main Nursery / Reception Entrance Gate (within alley)

There is a drain as you enter the school at this entrance. It is currently broken and has been reported to Essex Highways as a safety concern and is now awaiting repair. Please take care in this area.

Reception Year

Reception children have settled into their classes well. All children will be attending full time from next week—8.40am to 3pm.

Nut Free School

We are a nut free school, so please ensure your child does not come to school with any food containing nuts. Thank you for your support.

Relief Midday Assistants and Volunteers

If you or anybody you know is interested in joining Oakwood as a relief Midday Assistant, please contact the school office. We are also interested in hearing from anybody who would like to become a volunteer within the school to read with the children.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan
Head Teacher

KEY DATES	
September	
13th	Year 2—Great Fire of London Workshop
20th-24th	Phonics Screening
27th	Reception Baseline Assessments
30th	Sports for Champions Day
Menu Next Week	Week 1

Car Park

Just a reminder. Please do not park in the school car park as it is for staff only. Thank you.

Reminders

All children need to have the following in school:

- **Water bottle—please note bottles should contain only water. Juices are not permitted.**
- **Full PE kit**
- **Book bag**
- **Sun cream on hotter days**
- **Coats when weather cools or it is raining.**

Please can you ensure that all items are clearly labelled.

- **After School Clubs—Further information will be sent out shortly.**
- **Just a reminder that all children are entitled to a free school meal.**

Coronavirus Update

We are pleased to advise that we have still not had any reports of Coronavirus cases within the school.

The children are still in their bubbles and we are keeping the one way system in place.

If your child demonstrates Coronavirus symptoms, please do not send your child to school and ensure they take a PCR test.

Symptoms include:

Temperature
New or persistent cough
Change in taste or smell

If the test is positive, your child will need to isolate for 10 days. If your child is negative, they may return to school. In order to keep the school community safe, we would ask if you would be kind enough to provide us with evidence of the negative PCR result.

Further details can be found on the Government website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection#symptoms

Or the NHS website:
https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/

Medical and Dental Appointments

Please try to make medical and dental appointments out of school hours.

If this is not possible, we will need to see proof of appointment.
Thank you for your support.

Events Calendar to Half Term

Date	Event
13th September	Year 2 – Great Fire of London Workshop
27th September	Reception BASELINE Assessments
20th -24th September	1st Phonics Screening
30th September	Sports for Champions
4th-8th October	Multicultural Role Models Week (Multicultural Assembly)
4th – 8th October	Presentation Week
11th-15th October	Harvest Week
15th October	Harvest Service
18th October	Fire Service – Presentation Halloween and Firework Night Safety
18th -22nd October	Assessment Week
19th October	Reception Assessments
19th October	PARENTS EVENING
20th October	Year 1 Assessments
21st October	Year 2 Assessments
21st October	PARENTS EVENING
22nd October	**Non-Pupil Day**
23rd-31st October	**HALF TERM**
1st November	Return to school

Extra Information

School Website—Events

There is a new drop down option on the Information section of the school website called School Events.

Reception Year—Packed Lunches

Some of the children are coming in to school with more food in their lunch boxes than they can eat. They are therefore taking so long in the dining hall that they are missing out on valuable playtime. Can you please make an effort to not overfill their lunch boxes. Your support is appreciated.