



## Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

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Dear Parents

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - AUTUMN TERM

November	
4th	Non Pupil Day
5th	Back to School
5th	Bonfire Dinner
6th	Individual School Photographs
11th-15th	Remembrance Week—Assembly Monday 2.30pm
11th	Remembrance Service—10am
11th-15th	Anti-Bullying Week—Assembly Monday 2.30pm
12th	Parents Evening—3.15pm—5.30pm
14th	Parents Evening—4pm-6pm
15th	Children in Need Day—All Day
18th-22nd	Road Safety Week— Assembly Monday 2.30pm
18th-22nd	Right on Time Week
29th	Parliamentary Speak Out—9.30am

### Attendance

Year	Last Week	This Week
Reception	94.9%	96.5%
Year 1	92.4%	95.6%
Year 2	94.7%	94.2%

### Attendance Reminder

Please be advised that we will ask you to provide medical evidence if your child is absent for 3 or more days. This follows our School Policy. Should you wish to see the policy, it can be viewed on our website.

[www.oakwoodinfantandnurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.oakwoodinfantandnurseryschool.co.uk)

Friday 25th October 2019

### Next Week:

- Next week is Half Term & 4th November is a Non Pupil Day. We look forward to welcoming our children back on Tuesday 5th November.

### Last Week

#### Presentation Week

Last week the children completed Presentation Week and certificates will be given out in an assembly on November 5th. Congratulations to the children for working so hard.

#### This Week

#### Fireworks Safety Talk

The children were spoken to by Essex County Fire and Rescue Service to make sure they are aware of the dangers of fireworks.

#### Workshops for Parents

This week we ran the Introduction to E-Safety and Maths in School Parent Workshops. These were extremely successful and informative and we would like to thank all parents/carers that attended.

#### Family First Aid Workshop

If you would be interested in attending our next First Aid Workshop, please register your interest with the school office. Thank you.

### Lateness

100 children arrived late for school last week. Can you please make sure your child is in school on time. Being late means they miss valuable learning time, which can include their vital morning phonics.

If your child persistently arrives late, you will be invited to meet with me. I look forward to seeing a marked improvement.

### Headteacher's Surgery

If you would like to discuss any school related matters with me, I will be holding an open surgery every Thursday afternoon. Please contact the office to make an appointment.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs K Maguire-Egan  
 Headteacher  
 Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

**On the 5th of November we will have a special Bonfire Dinner Menu.**

- ◇ Cheese or ham whirls
- ◇ Wooden Wedges
- ◇ Banging Beans
- ◇ Sparkling Sweetcorn
- ◇ Pin Wheel Biscuits
- ◇ Sparkling Ice Sponge



Our new dinner menu starts after half term on **Wednesday 6th November** — we start on Week 1.

**Halloween Fancy Dress Day**

It was fantastic to see so many children dressed up for our Halloween Fancy Dress day. We will advise you of how much money was raised after Half Term. Thank you to everybody who kindly donated.



**Library Club**

We have spaces in our Library Club on a Wednesday from 3pm-4pm. If you would like to book a place for your child, please speak to the school office.



**Remembrance Week**

This year as part of our Remembrance displays, we would like to have an 'Oakwood Wall of Remembrance and Thanks'.



If you have photographs of family and friends, past and present that were or are in the forces and you would like them to be included in the display, please bring a photograph (preferably a copy) to Mrs Fairhead in the Kitchen. We would like their name, rank and relationship to you.

**11th November**

If your child belongs to a uniformed organisation such as Scouts, Brownies, Rainbows, Boys Brigade or similar, they are invited to wear their uniform on Remembrance Day, 11th November. If your child does not belong to one of these organisations, they must come to school in their school uniform.

**Poppies on Sale**

We have poppies, wristbands and other items for sale in the school office. Prices range from 50p to £1.50 Thank you for your continued support.

**Domestic Abuse**

At Oakwood, to support the wider community, we are keen to support our family and friends.

If you are suffering domestic abuse or are aware of a friend or family member that is, support/advice can be found at [www.setdab.org](http://www.setdab.org).

**Reminders**

**Drop off and Collection of Children**

In the interest of Safeguarding we are unable to have unauthorised adults in the classrooms. In view of this can we please ask you not to accompany your child into their classroom and encourage them to leave you at the door. Leaving your child at the door will also help your child grow in independence.

When collecting your child, can you please show patience and allow the teacher to dismiss all the children safely before speaking to them about any concerns. Thank you for your support in this matter.

**Play Rascal Vouchers**

If you have any unused Play Rascal vouchers at home, please note these are only valid until 31st October, so please make sure you use them before this date. Thank you.

**Reception Year—Tapestry**

Please keep us informed of your child's achievements over half term on Tapestry. Thank you.

**Luxury Food Hamper Raffle**

Friends of Oakwood are holding a raffle to win a luxury food hamper. Tickets will be on sale from Tuesday 5th November at £1 per strip from the school office and also on parents evenings.



**Parent Information Coffee Mornings—9.15am—10.00am**  
**Our next Coffee Mornings are on:**

**Friday 29th November**

Speaker—Miss Wells—Literacy Co-Ordinator  
Topic—Literacy in school

**Friday 13th December**

Speaker—Mrs McNamara—Manager of Vulnerable Children  
Topic—Speaking about her role in the school  
We look forward to seeing you.

**Head Lice**

Some cases of head lice have been reported to me. Can you please take time to check your child's hair and treat accordingly. Please also remember to tie long hair up for school. If you would like a head lice comb, please visit the school office to pick one up.



**Parent Governor Vacancy**

We have received 1 nomination but there is still 1 more vacancy available. If you are interested in this rewarding position and would like to be nominated for the 2nd position please contact the school office to make an appointment with myself. Thank you.