



Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—AUTUMN TERM

October	
23rd	Halloween Dress Up Day £1 Donation
23rd	Last Day of Term
26th-30th	Half Term
November	
2nd	Non Pupil Day
3rd	Back to School

Covid 19

We would like to inform you that we have had 2 positive test results for Covid 19 within the school.

Rest assured we have taken the advice and guidance from the Department for Education, who have informed us that no further action is required due to the time frame in which the children were in school.

Based on the advice that we have received, if your child does not display any symptoms of Covid 19 they must attend school as normal otherwise this will be marked as an unauthorized absence. The 3 main symptoms are:

- A high temperature
- A new, continuous cough
- A loss or change to sense of smell or taste

Thank you for your continued support.

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
Head Teacher
Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

Non Pupil Day

Due to the pandemic and to enable staff meetings in-line with government guidance, we now have a Non Pupil Day on Monday 2nd November. This will replace the non pupil day originally scheduled for 22nd February 2021. Therefore children will return to school on Tuesday 3rd November.

We apologise for the short notice, however we will ensure to liaise closely with Alton Park regarding future Non Pupil Days.

Provisions if your Child is Isolating

Lunches

If you are in receipt of benefit related free school meals, a packed lunch will be provided by the school for your child whilst they are in isolation. If you would like to discuss this, please contact the school office.

Work Packs

In order for your child to continue with their learning whilst in isolation work packs are available for all year groups. The packs need to be collected from the school office and returned to the school office once completed, in order to be passed on to the class teacher.

Phonics Homework

Phonics homework packs will be sent out on Friday 23rd October. Completing these tasks will ensure your children develop essential skills for reading and writing. Please ensure these homework packs are returned to the school when children return after Half Term.

Thank you for your continued support.

PE Kits

Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school. This should include black shorts, white t-shirt and black pumps.

If your child has their ears pierced please ensure earrings are removed on PE days as staff are not permitted to tape over or remove them. Thank you.

Entering of School Gates

We understand that there is often a queue formed outside the school gates in the morning and sometime an eagerness to enter. This situation can lead to unnecessary crowding and also non compliance with social distancing measures.

In order to ensure the safety of the school community we would ask that when you arrive at school in the morning, please social distance and wait for both gates to be fully opened by our member of staff before entering.

Reminder of Safeguarding Measures to be Implemented on Site

There is an increase of infections in Essex and to continue to reduce the spread of Covid 19 throughout our school, please ensure the following measures are implemented:

- Only one adult is permitted on site to drop off/ collect children.
- We encourage the wearing of face coverings by adults on site and would like to thank those who are currently doing so.
- All members of the school community need to keep 2 metres apart.
- We are keeping the school well ventilated. Please keep the required distance from open doors and windows.

GDPR

Please check that we have the correct information in school about your child, such as your mobile number and home address.

Reminders

- Due to the colder weather, please ensure you child comes to school in a warm coat.
- Please ensure you read with your child and write in their reading record.

Headlice

We have had reported cases of headlice. Please check your child's hair regularly and treat accordingly. We have a stock of headlice combs in school. If you require one, free of charge, please contact the school office.



Parking—Windsor Road

We have had a complaint from the local Housing Officer regarding members of our school community parking in this area and obstructing local residents. Please note that this is a private road and parking is not permitted.



Please ensure you park considerately in many of the other eligible parking spaces surrounding the area.

Thank you for your support.

Packed Lunches

Please ensure that all children bringing packed lunches into school, bring it in a lunch box or a paper bag, as plastic bags are not allowed in school.



After School Clubs

Once after school clubs are up and running, letters will be sent home.

Nursery Spaces

We currently have spaces in our Nursery. Children can start our Nursery in the term after they become 3 years old. There is a leaflet available giving more information that can be picked up from the school lobby.

Halloween Fancy Dress Day Friday 23rd October 2020

We would ask that a donation of £1 is given to help raise money on the day for the children.

Raffle Tickets - If you need any raffle tickets, please speak to the school office or the class teacher.

