



Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,

How is it April already! It has been lovely to be able to open up the school field again and allow the children to use our whole space, although the weather has been a bit unpredictable!

I would like to say how amazing our staff team have been through what has been an incredibly challenging term due to staff absence. They have pulled together amazingly well and helped to keep the school running as smoothly as possible.

The recent Parent Forum was a very useful and constructive event. We would like to thank you for all your support and feedback through this and the parent survey. We will share more details as to what actions we will be taking from this feedback after the Easter break.

Well done to all the Golden Leaf award winners for this half term. It was so nice to be able to present them with their rewards in front of the whole school in person.

The children have been incredibly busy through another packed term, and we wish them and you a restful and enjoyable Easter break.

Best wishes,
Mr Clark - Headteacher

Message from the PSA

Thank you for all your support this term with the present room, Easter craft packs and the bake sale with Sycamore Class yesterday.

The bake sale raised £86.20.

On Wednesday 20th April the PSA will be meeting to plan the summer term fundraising activities and anyone who is interested in getting involved and helping out is welcome to come along. We will meet at 7:30 at the white horse pub in Oakington.



Reading

How is reading at home going? I know that we talk about reading a lot, but it really is the core to everything we do in school. It is so important that reading in school is backed up by reading at home and a little and often can make all the difference to a child's progress. If you would like a little inspiration for a book, have a look at the Reading Passport sent out at the beginning of the school year.

For more information on our Sounds Write phonics programme, please take a look at our website <https://www.oakingtonprimary.co.uk/evfs>.



Easter Treats

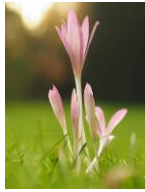
The children have had a wonderful time this week making chocolate crispy cakes. The chocolatey aromas coming from the classrooms smelled delicious and we're glad they enjoyed the cakes!

Oakington Diary Dates:

Fri 1 Apr: Last day of term
Tues 19 Apr: School opens
Wed 20 Apr: Reception & Year 1 Vision Screening
Wed 20 Apr: PSA meeting at 7.30pm While Horse, Oakington
Mon 2 May: Bank Holiday
w/c 9 May: KS2 SATs
26 May: Maple Cake Sale
30 May – 3 June: Half Term
Mon 6 June: Inset Day
Tues 7 June: School opens
8-10 June: Year 6 Residential Trip
Mon 13 June: Year 5 Grafham Water
Mon 20 June: School Photographer – class photos
Mon 28 June: School Photographer
Tues 19 July: Acorn Cake Sale
Wed 20 July: Last Day of School

Many congratulations go to Finley, Daniel and Evie who are this term's winners of the Easter Drumming competition.





Spring – Collective Worship

The theme for our assembly this half term:

Thankfulness

Lost Property

We have a growing collection of items in lost property which is kept in the main reception. Please have a look through to see if any items belong to you. We would ask that all items of clothing be named as this helps us return the items to their owners.

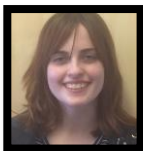
Polite Request

We received a call from an upset Oakington resident this week regarding parking in Coles Road. There were signs in the road saying 'access only' as the road was to be resurfaced. However, due to cars being parked in the road at school drop off time, the resurfacing did not go ahead. Please can we ask our parents and carers to be mindful and considerate of residents when parking in local roads around the village. The Recreation Ground has plenty of parking spaces and is only a short walk from school. Many thanks for your help with this.



Piano Concert

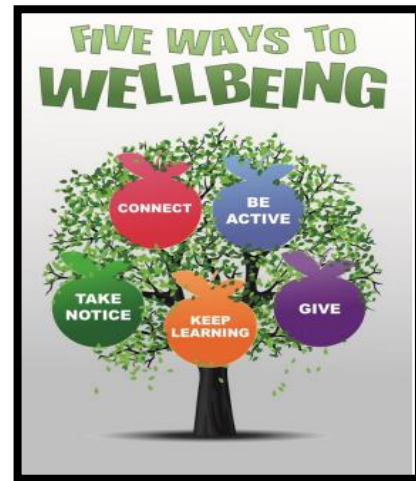
Last Monday we were treated to a wonderful piano concert by our piano students and their teacher, Alastair Lyle. They shared with us some of the pieces they have been learning and we thoroughly enjoyed hearing them. Our thanks go to Ashwin, Chloe, Emily, Emily and Matilda.



Student Teacher

A new student teacher has recently joined

Sycamore Class and Miss Swain will be with us until 20th May. Please do say hello and introduce yourself to her.



As we break for the Easter holiday, it seems a good opportunity to take time to reflect and be mindful of looking after our mental and physical health. The above 5 Ways suggest small adjustments that can be made in helping to look after our minds and bodies.

Golden Leaf Awards

At the end of each half term we like to celebrate the achievements of our children in school with a Golden Leaf award. We are very proud of our children and were delighted to be able to congratulate the following people.

<u>Acorn</u>		<u>Maple</u>	<u>Sycamore</u>	<u>Birch</u>	<u>Chestnut</u>	<u>Oak</u>
Alex	Tomas	Emily B	John	Betsy	Alice	Ellie
Ashton	Violet	Esme H	Kasper	Emily	Ellie	Finley G
Darcey-Rose		Fayaz	Lizzie	Tey	Felicity	Frankie
Hannah		Harper	Theo		Jack H	Leo
Liliana		Oscar	Tom C		Ruby	Lily-Mai
Reyna		Xander	Poppie			Thomas



CLUBS – SPRING TERM 2022

Day	Club	Who	Time	Dates	Where	Run by
Monday	Piano*	All	During School Day	25.04.22 – 23.05.22	ASC	Alastair Lyle
To book: email - info@cambridgepianoteacher.com						
Monday	Basketball*	KS2	After School 3.20-4.20pm	25.04.22 – 23.05.22	Playground	Blueprint
Tuesday	Artastic*	All	After School 3.15 – 4.15pm	19.04.22 – 24.05.22	Hall	Artastic - Gio
Tuesday	Drum*	All	During School Day	26.04.22- 24.05.22	ASC	Paul Richards
To book: email - thepaulrichards@gmail.com						
Wednesday	Code Club	KS2	Lunchtime 12.35 – 1.10pm	Term Time	ASC	Claire Shih
Wednesday	Dance*	KS2	After School 3.15 – 4.00pm	20.04.22 – 25.05.22	Hall	Ellen Lipscomb
To book: email - cherry_nelle@hotmail.com						
Thursday	Chess	Yrs 5 & 6	After School 3.15 – 4.15pm	21.04.22 – 26.05.22	Oak	Ranko Pinter
Thursday	Choir	KS2 EYFS & KS1	Lunchtime 12.45-1.10pm 12.15-12.45pm	21.04.22 – 26.05.22	Birch Class	Ben Phillips
Thursday	Spanish*	EYFS & Yrs 1&2	After School 3.15pm-4.00pm	21.04.22 – 26.05.22	Hall	Kidslingo
To book: https://bit.ly/Oakington_Spring_22						
Thursday	Guitar*	All	During School Day	21.04.22 – 26.05.22	ASC	Will Pears-Cooper
To book: email - willpcguitar@gmail.com						
Friday	Football (boys & girls)	Yrs 5 & 6	Lunchtime 12.15-12.40pm - G 12.40-1.10pm - B	22.04.22 – 27.05.22	Field	Jamie Wilson
Friday	Drum*	All	During School Day	22.04.22 – 27.05.22	ASC	Paul Richards
Friday	Gymnastics*	Yrs 1 to 6	After School 3.15-4.15pm	22.04.22 – 27.05.22	Hall	Inspirations
To book: https://inspirations.dance/classes/gymnastics-clubs-oakingtonprimaryschool/						



COVID UPDATE: 1st April 2022

- Anyone with a **positive COVID-19 test result** will be advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for five days, which is when they are most infectious. **For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be three days.**
- From 1 April, updated government guidance will advise people with symptoms of a respiratory infection, including COVID-19, and a high temperature or who feel unwell, to try stay at home and avoid contact with other people, until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature.
- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people, where they can. They can go back to school they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.

We will continue to update our risk assessments and keep you up to date as further information is released by the Government. If you have any concerns or wish to talk something over relating to this, we are always happy to help.

Please remember to update the school with cases of COVID.

Safeguarding at Oakington

Mr Nathan Clark and Mrs Alicia Lloyd are the designated safeguarding leads at Oakington.

If you have a concern about a child, be it around their health, physical safety or emotional wellbeing, please inform **any** member of staff.

If you think a child is at immediate risk of harm you can access further advice and guidance here:

<https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/residents/children-and-families/children-s-social-care/safeguarding-children-and-child-protection/>

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Attendance

We are continuing to monitor attendance closely and writing to parents of children with attendance below 96% (classed as persistent absenteeism).

Please do get in touch if you are having particular difficulties in getting your child to school and would like to discuss this.