

Newsletter

25th September 2020



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Message from the Head Teacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,

After some beautiful weather to start off this new school year, Autumn has definitely arrived! Our Celebration Assembly took place on Zoom instead of the school field this week and was a huge success.

Please can I remind all parents that children need suitable clothing and footwear in school every day so they can use the school field during lunchtimes and break times, however wet the grass is.

The children have all been taking baseline tests over the past week to help us to identify gaps in their learning as a result of the lockdown in March and put together extra support where needed. All the children have conducted themselves brilliantly throughout.

We have had some concerns around online safety since the children have returned to school. Please talk to your children about their online activity and make sure they are not accessing age inappropriate games, websites or films.

You will be pleased to hear I have contacted the local highways about the large puddle that forms outside the big green gate entrance whenever we have a lot of rain after several families were soaked by passing cars. I will keep you updated on the progress of this.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Nathan Clark - Headteacher

Oakington Diary Dates:

19th Oct: School photographer in – individual photos

23rd Oct: Inset Day

26-30th Oct: Half Term

Mon 2nd Nov: School opens

Fri 27th Nov: Flu immunisation

30th Nov-3rd Dec: Yrs 5 & 6 Bikeability

Mon 4th Jan: Inset Day

Tues 5th Jan: School opens



Thank you to everyone who has signed up to easyfundraising in support of the school. By using the easyfundraising site to shop online with thousands of retailers such as Tesco, Amazon, eBay, John Lewis, insurance comparison, travel, holidays to name but a few, then when you make a purchase a free donation is sent to the school.

It's not too late to sign up, simply go to:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/oakingtonprimary> before shopping online or install the app - <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/>.

"For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them..." Romans 12: 4-6

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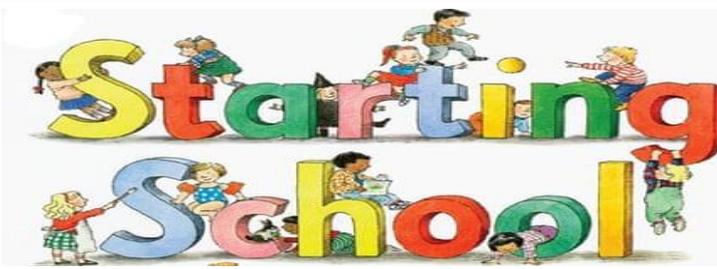
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The theme for our assembly this half term:

Respect

In order to respect everyone, believers must be conscious that God has created all people in His image, regardless of whether or not they believe in Christ. We should show people proper respect because their souls are of more value than anything else in the world.



The new little Acorns have settled well into life at Oakington School. Lovely personalities are beginning to show and all the children are getting on well together. Rules and daily routines are now in place and everyone comes into school with a smile on their face, which is lovely to see.

The children themselves have said:

"Thank you for the fun days!" (Shamiso)

"I like playing in the kitchen" (Elsie)

"I like the lunches, they are yummy" (James)

Jeans for Genes Day

Thank you to everyone who took part and donated money towards this national event for medical research to help find cures for genetic diseases. We are delighted to say that we raised a huge £110.



School Uniform

Please remember to label **ALL** items of school uniform. This will then help us to return jumpers etc. to the right class.



Oakington CofE Primary School Vision

We strive for excellence, encouraging all children to reach their full potential and make accelerated progress through high expectations, ensuring we know each child as an individual. We endeavour to provide safe, stimulating learning environments, promoting collaboration whilst being immersed in a broad, dynamic curriculum and inclusive Christian ethos.

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Safeguarding at Oakington

Safeguarding Leads

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/>

Coronavirus (COVID-19): Information & Advice

Please see the 'Quick Guide for Parents' at the end of the Newsletter for an easy reference for what you should do if unsure.

Following the government's update this week:

Just a reminder to parents/carers to say goodbye at the school gates of a morning. It is really helpful if you can arrive on time, rather than too early, to prevent a build up of people.

Can we also remind our families that they should leave the school site immediately at the end of the school day. Children are not allowed to play on the field. In addition, parents/carers should not walk around the back of the school to collect siblings.

We would encourage all persons over 16 to download the new NHS COVID 19 App onto smartphones and to use the new contact tracing system.

Contact Us!

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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.

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Covid-19 Related Absence – a Quick Guide for Parents

What should I do if?	Action needed ...
<p>My child is feeling ill with Covid-19 symptoms of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a high temperature – this means your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back • a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours • a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means your child cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal. <p>Most children with Covid-19 have at least one of these symptoms.</p>	<p>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO THEIR SETTING/S</p> <p>The whole household must self-isolate. Your child will need to isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms; the rest of the household should isolate for 14 days.</p> <p>You should book a test for your child using this link here, or by phoning 119.</p> <p>Please note - <u>only</u> the person with symptoms should be tested and there is no need for others in the household to have a test, unless they also have any of the symptoms mentioned.</p> <p>Make sure you tell the setting/s immediately about the result of the test.</p>
<p>My child is feeling ill with other symptoms such as a sore throat, runny nose or a headache.</p>	<p>You should act in the same way as you would have done before the pandemic. This may involve sending your child to their care setting or keeping them at home, depending on the nature and severity of symptoms. Of course you should seek medical advice via your GP or NHS direct on 111 if you would normally do so.</p> <p>Please note – if your child has sickness or diarrhoea they should not return to school until 48 hours after the last bout of this, as is normal policy.</p>
<p>Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms</p>	<p>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO THEIR SETTING/S.</p> <p>The whole household must self-isolate and the person with symptoms should book a test using this link here, or by phoning 119.</p>
<p>Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO THEIR SETTING/S.</p> <p>The whole household should isolate for 14 days. The person who has tested positive must isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms, and until there is no fever for 48 hours.</p>
<p>Someone in my household with symptoms tests negative for Covid-19</p>	<p>Your child can return to their setting, assuming they are well, and no one in the household or support bubble has any further Covid-19 symptoms.</p>
<p>My child tests positive for Covid-19</p>	<p>DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO THEIR SETTING.</p> <p>Your child must isolate for 10 days from the start of symptoms, and until there is no fever for 48 hours. The rest of the household should isolate for 14 days.</p>
<p>My child tests negative for Covid-19 (test done when the child had symptoms)</p>	<p>Your child can return to their setting, assuming they are well, and no one in the household or support bubble has any Covid-19 symptoms.</p>

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Test and Trace

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