Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter: 13th November 2026

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Dear Parents/Carers

This Week



On Wednesday the children attended an assembly to celebrate Remembrance week where we spoke about the meaning of this special time. We learnt about what happened on 11th November 1918 and how families remember those who were lost in the war. The children observed the two minutes silence and sang Remembrance songs. It was also wonderful to see the children who attend clubs such as Beavers, Scouts and Rainbows attending in their uniform.

Thank you to everybody who donated to this exceptional cause. All monies raised will be given directly to the Royal British Legion. Details of the amount raised will be given next week.



It was wonderful to see so many children supporting Children in Need today, wearing lots of Pudsey and colourful clothing. All monies raised will be given directly to Children in Need. We will advise you of the amount raised shortly. Thank you to everybody who supported this worthy cause.

Sadly Wild Science had to cancel their visit this week, however, they have re-arranged their visit to our Year 2 children for next Wednesday.

Next Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying and Book Scrutiny Week. The children will take part in a variety of activities relating to these topics.

Approaching Other Parents

If you have a school related issue, please do not approach other parents directly. Please call the school office and make an appointment to see me.



I would like to thank St John's Church in Great Clacton for their kind donation to our food hub. Your generosity is appreciated.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan
Head Teacher

Key Dates	
	November
16th-20th	Anti-Bullying Week
16th-20th	Book Scrutiny Week
18th	Wild Science—Year 2
24th	Ambassadors Visit to The Salvation Arm
27th	Non Pupil Day
	December
8th	Reception & Year 1 Pantomime—Goldilocks
8th	Year 2—Princes Theatre Pantomime– Sleeping Beauty
Menu	**WC 16th November Week 1**



Attendance

The class winners this week were Squirrels in first place, followed by Goslings and Robins.

Well done to all classes but especially Squirrels, whose reward will be decided by their teacher.



Sweets



Due to allergies, we are unable to hand sweets out in school, even for birthdays.

Please note that if parents are handing sweets out once the children have been released from class, it is the parent/carers responsibility whether to accept the sweets.

Coats



Please ensure your child comes to school in a warm coat every day.

Water Bottles



Please also remember that water bottles should contain just water, not juice or other types of drinks.

Teach Your Child to Read



We will be holding some sessions where you can learn how to teach your child to read, followed by reading with your child afterwards. A leaflet giving more information was sent out today. Please contact the school office for more information or to book a place.

Vacancies

We currently have vacancies for Relief Mid Day Assistants and Volunteer Readers. Please contact the school office for more details.



Christmas Events



Please find below a list of Christmas events:

December Dates	Event
2nd	Christmas Dress Up Day – Donations for Bazaar
9th	Christmas Lunch
10th	Year 1 Christmas Production (more information to follow)
10th	Christmas Jumper Day
10th	Christmas Bazaar—from 3pm
14th & 15th	Year 2 Christmas Productions (more information to follow)
16th & 17th	Reception Christmas Productions (more information to follow)

The Nursery production will be advised separately

Reception & Year 3 Admissions for Academic Year starting in September 2027

If your child is starting Reception Year or Year 3 in September 2027, you will need to apply through Essex County Council **www.essex.gov.uk/admissions**. Applications are now open and will close on Friday 15th January 2027.

Reducing Our Carbon Footprint



Below are this week's tips on how to save money and reduce our carbon footprint.

THIS WEEK'S ENERGY SAVING TIPS



- Bleed radiators to ensure they are working to full capacity.
- Only run a dishwasher when it is full.
- Using an air fryer costs less than using an oven.



Charity

Victorian Christmas Market

SATURDAY
14TH NOVEMBER

10AM TO 3PM

Princes Theatre, Station Road,
Clacton on Sea, CO15 1SE

£1 per person (under 16s are free)



- Christmas cards & decorations
- Meet the Panto Cast for 2026
- Jewellery, candles, gifts
- Variety of choirs and entertainment
- Crafts, toys, tombolas
- Books, fair trade goods
- Stocking fillers, preserves
- Father Christmas
- Refreshments, lunches and cakes

All proceeds to
charities attending

CVST
Community Voluntary Services Together

WINTER READY EVENT

Thurs 19th Nov
12noon - 2pm

Clacton Salvation Army
103 Old Road,
Clacton CO15 1HN

Get winter-ready early.

Come along and discover what support is available for you.

Find out about...

- Free winter warmth items
- Energy support and advice
- Health Checks
- Signposting to other services
- Information on food banks/soup kitchens
- Free smoke alarms
- Local groups & clubs
- Warm Hub Guide
- Fuel poverty support
- Priority Services Register sign-up support

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WINTER READY EVENT

Wed 18th Nov
10am - 12noon

Jaywick Methodist Church
Crossways,
Jaywick CO15 2NA

Get winter-ready early.

Come along and discover what support is available for you.

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