

Oakwood Infant and Nursery School Newsletter

Newsletter: 21st November 2025



Dear Parents/Carers

This Week

On Monday the children attended an assembly focusing on anti-bullying. We talked about what bullying is and why bullying happens as well as discussing how everybody is different and why it is important to respect this. We then discussed what a child should do if they think they are being bullied and why being kind to everybody is so important.

On Thursday the children attended an assembly to present the work that they completed during last week's Remembrance week. The work produced was fantastic and I expressed to the children how proud I am of their achievements.

Children in Need

Thank you to everybody who dressed up to support Children in Need.



We raised £90.80 which will be given directly to this worthy cause.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Weather

The weather is now extremely cold. Please make sure your child comes to school in a warm coat (ensuring it is zipped up), together with hat, scarf and gloves to ensure they keep warm. Thank you for your support.



Parking

I have had more complaints regarding parking and driving in the school area. Once again, I would ask all drivers to only park where you are permitted to and to take extra care and slow down when you are near the school. I have contacted North Essex Parking Partnership to request a traffic warden to help alleviate some of the risk to our parents and children.



Non Pupil Day

A reminder that **Friday 28th November is a Non Pupil Day.**

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan
Head Teacher



Key Dates	
November	
28th	Non Pupil Day
December	
2nd	Non Uniform Day for Bazaar
8th & 10th	Yr 1 Christmas Concert
9th	Yr 2 Pantomime at Princes Theatre
9th	Reception & Yr 1 Panto at School
10th	Christmas Dinner
11th	Christmas Jumper Day and Bazaar
Menu	WC 24th November Week 2

	<u>Attendance</u>		
	The class winners this week were		
	Nightingales in first place, followed by		
	Squirrels and Cygnets.		
	Well done to all classes but especially		
	Nightingales whose reward will be extra		
	time in the adventure playground.		



Christmas Concerts



Christmas Concerts will be taking place shortly. Information has been sent out separately.

Please remember to purchase your tickets for these concerts from the school office, from Monday. Maximum of 2 tickets per child.



We are holding a school non-uniform day on Tuesday 2nd December in return for donations for our Christmas Bazaar for raffle prizes and tombola prizes. A letter giving more information will be sent out shortly.

Water Bottles

Please do not put water bottles in your child's bag.

Some are leaking and ruining books in the children's bags.

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

- Reduce your boiler flow temperature to 55-60 degrees. This could cut £65 off your bill per year.
- Use thermostatic radiator valves to control the temperature in each room.
- Draught proof your home to prevent heat loss.



Volunteers

We currently have Parent Governor Vacancies and volunteer roles to read with the children. Please contact the school office for more information.

Christmas Dinner Day



Christmas Dinner will be served on Wednesday 10th December.



Christmas Bazaar & Christmas Jumper Day

The Christmas Bazaar and Christmas Jumper Day will both be held on Thursday 11th December.

Christmas Jumper Day raises money for Save the Children and I would like to suggest a donation of £1 on the day. All money raised will go towards this outstanding charity.

The Bazaar will start straight after school. There will be lots of amazing activities and prizes to be won at the Bazaar together with exciting activities for the children. We look forward to seeing you after school.



Reception & Year 3 Admissions for Academic Year starting in September 2026

If you need to apply for a Reception/Year 3 place for your child, please note this needs to be completed online. Applications are now open and you must complete your application by the statutory national closing date of 15th January 2026. Applications can be made online via

www.essex.gov.uk/admissions

The 2 Johns—Online Safety Training

The 2 Johns will be back on Thursday 11 December, 8.00pm with one of their popular **online sessions**. This is your chance to hear the latest insights, tips, and must-know updates to help keep children safe online — just in time for the holiday season. Save the date and register now by visiting <https://esafetytraining.org>

Flu Vaccinations

The nurses will be visiting **Oakwood Infant and Nursery School** on **Tuesday 25th November** for a flu vaccination session. They will return on **Wednesday 3 December 2025** to administer the vaccination to those who were absent or didn't have consent during the first visit

Parents who have not yet responded to the e-consent form are still able to register their **CONSENT** or **DECLINE** for the flu vaccination. The E-consent link is

<https://eastanglia.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/Essex>

Christmas Event Dates

2nd	Non Uniform Day for Bazaar for Donations for Bazaar
8th & 10th	Yr 1 Christmas Concerts
9th	Yr 2 Pantomime at Princes Theatre
9th	Reception & Yr 1 Panto at School
10th	Christmas Dinner
11th	Christmas Jumper Day and Bazaar
15th & 16th	Year 2 Christmas Concerts
17th & 18th	Reception Year Christmas Concerts

