



Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

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NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—AUTUMN TERM

December	
17th	Year 1 'Jingle Bell Rock'—9.30am and
18th	Christmas/Christingle Service—9.15am
19th	Last Day of School
January	
6th	Back to School

Nursery Alleyway

We are aware of the issues in the alley that leads into our Nursery. I can confirm that we have instructed our facilities management company to clear the drains to improve this. I will provide further updates in due course.

Playground Flooding

Due to the heavy rain overnight, once again our playground has been subject to flooding. We have had contractors visit the school to inspect this and they have advised that the sink tank was not suitable for the amount of water it was dealing with. In view of this, I can confirm that a new 17m x 17m sink tank will be installed on Wednesday 18th December, which will hopefully rectify this matter.

I would like to thank you for your patience and understanding with this matter.

This Week

Christmas Productions

Reception and Year 2 gave exceptional performances this week. I am looking forward to watching the Year 1 Production next week.

Singing Club at St Michaels

I was delighted to accompany the school choir to the residents at St Michaels Residential Home this week. The children performed a concert of Christmas songs which the residents really enjoyed. Afterwards the children took time to talk with residents before they returned to school.

Year 2 Panto

On Tuesday, Year 2 enjoyed watching Snow White and the 7 Dwarves at the Princess Theatre.

Next Week

Christingle

Our Christingle Service will now take place next Wednesday instead of Thursday.

Last Day of Term

School will finish at 3pm on Thursday 19th December.

Back to School

Monday 6th January.

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
Headteacher
Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

Attendance

Year	Last Week	This Week
Reception	89.7%	91%
Year 1	91.6%	93.4%
Year 2	93.1%	94.9%

Attendance Reminder

Please be advised that we will ask you to provide medical evidence if your child is absent for 3 or more days. This follows our School Policy. Should you wish to see the policy, it can be viewed on our website. www.oakwoodinfantandnurseryschool.co.uk



CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES



Year 1: Jingle Bell Rock

Tuesday 17th December 9.30am and 2pm

Tickets will be available from the school office at a cost of 50p per ticket.

Please **DO NOT** take videos or photographs during performances.

Golden Table

This Week

Jamie, Harry, Charlie & Ami-Lou.



Next week: **Week 1** of the Dinner Menu.

Monday-Wednesday—as per menu.

Thursday (last day of term) will be a different meal as detailed below:

- Chicken Bites
- Vegetarian—Home made bean burger
- Chips/baked beans/peas/salad
- Festive puddings

Colchester & Ipswich Diabetes Charity

Our wear blue day on 29th November raised an amazing £159.47. Thank you all for your kind donations.

Reminders for January

- Can you please make sure that your child returns to school in January with a full PE kit. Due to the cold weather can you please also ensure they have jogging bottoms and a warm jumper.
- Can you please make sure that all clothes and bags are clearly labelled.



Reading Volunteers

If you would like to apply to be a reading volunteer, please contact the school office.



Nursery

Just a reminder that the 50p donations for the children's Christmas party are to be in by Monday 16th January.



Year 1

It would be wonderful if Year 1 children could wear Christmas jumpers on Tuesday 17th for their performance of Jingle Bell Rock.



ACL

Adult Community Learning will be running the following information mornings:

Play and Communication Workshop

Thursday 16th January 2020—9.15am—11.15am

Do you want your child to listen more? Do you find yourself asking your child to do the same thing over and over again? This workshop will give you hints and tips on how to improve communication.

Family First Aid Workshop

Thursday 30th January 2020—9.15am—11.15am

Our very popular First Aid Workshop is running again. You will learn a range of family first aid skills from being able to save someone's life to dealing with minor injuries in the home.

Spaces will be limited. To book, please see the school office to put your name down.

Contact Details

Please make sure you inform the office if any of your contact details have changed. Thank you.



Ring Found

A ring has been found on the school premises. If you have lost a ring, please contact the school office. Thank you.

Reception and Year 3 Admissions for academic year starting in September 2020

If you need to apply for a **Reception place or Year 3 place** for your child, please note this needs to be completed online. You can complete your application from **11th November 2019**. The statutory national closing date for applications is **15th January 2020**.

From **11th November 2019**, applications can be made online via www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.