

Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

This Week

On Wednesday the children attended an assembly where I spoke about Black History Month. We spoke about the reasons we celebrate this event, such as promoting knowledge of black history and promoting equality. We then went on to discuss inspirational black role models such as Martin Luther King, Barack Obama, Rosa Parks and Nelson Mandela.

Reception children have been undertaking their Government Baseline Assessments.

Outdoor Play Equipment

The outdoor play equipment is strictly for use within school hours.

Please ensure that any children in your care do not use this equipment before and after school.



Bikes and Scooters

No bikes or scooters are to be ridden on the school grounds. Please leave them at the front of the school in the allocated area or walk with them whilst on the site. Thank you.



Thank you to Friends of Oakwood

Thank you to Friends of Oakwood for the donations of the new mats that have been given to classes. They look amazing and the children love them.

Rudeness to Staff / Approaching Other Parents

I would like to remind you that I will not accept parents/carers being rude or swearing at my staff members. I would also ask parents not to approach other parents on the playground for any reason. If you have an issue of any kind, please make an appointment to see me. Thank you.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan: Head Teacher



Key Dates	
October	
1st-31st	Black History Month
6th-10th	Presentation Week
7th & 9th	Parents' Evenings
	Next Non Pupil Day Friday 28th November
Menu	WC 6th October Week 2

Parents' Evenings

A reminder our first Parents' Evenings of this academic year will take place next week on 7th and 9th October.

There will be no after school clubs running next week.

Attendance



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

Well done to all classes but especially Squirrels whose reward will be extra time in the adventure playground.

Craft Club—Change of Day

Craft Club will now be held on a Thursday (not a Wednesday as previously advised on the online booking system). I apologise for any inconvenience this change may have caused.

Halloween Raffle Tickets

Tickets for our Halloween raffle will be on sale from Monday 6th October for £1 per strip.



Dates for your Diary

Please find below a list of events that are running until Half Term.

DATE	EVENT
1st-31st October	Black History Month
6th-10th October	Presentation Week
7th & 9th October	Parents' Evenings
13th—17th October	Pupil Voice Interviews
16th October	Harvest Assembly
13th-17th October	Harvest Week
20th October	Hindu Workshop and Concert
20th-24th October	Diwali Week
22nd October	Halloween & Firework Night Assembly
24th October	Halloween Dress Up Day. Last Day of Term.
27th-31st October	Autumn Half Term
3rd November October	Back to School
NON PUPIL DAYS	The following dates are non pupil days: 28th November 2025 23rd February 2026 1st June 2026

Volunteer Vacancies

We currently have vacancies for Parent Governors and Volunteer Readers. If you would like further information on either, please contact the school office.

Clubs

As you are aware, clubs (except cooking) are now being booked online.

The link has now been sent to all parents/carers via text message, so please use this to make your selection.

If you experience any problems with the link and booking, please contact the school office.

Weather



Again, the current weather is changeable.

Can you please ensure your child comes to school with a coat for when outside. Also if it is cold on their PE day, please dress them in a warmer PE kit, for example, a tracksuit.
Thank you.

Practising Jumper and Coat Skills

I would be grateful if you could practise with your child how to put jumpers and coats on and off for themselves. Practising this essential skill will enable them to confidently get ready for break time and home time.

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

- If you have a regular boiler, turn down the thermostat on the hot water tank. This will mean the water in the tank never gets too hot. There is little point producing scalding hot water if you then add cold water in your mixer shower or bath to get it to a comfortable temperature.
- Put on an extra jumper if you are chilly.





25th Oct-1st Nov

Half Term Pumpkin Trail

Join us for half term fun this October.
Explore the garden to find the hidden
pumpkins.
Kids go free!



Book admission online
www.bethchatto.co.uk/entrance

