# Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

# Newsletter

### This Week / Next Week

This week the children took part in an assembly where I spoke about sun awareness. We spoke about how we can keep safe in the sun. We learnt about the importance of keeping hydrated with water and being in the shade. We also discussed the reasons for wearing hats, sun screen and sunglasses.

Due to the age of our children I would strongly recommend wearing sun hats that contain an extra piece of material at the back to protect the children's necks. We sell them in red at the school office for £5. Other colours are widely available to purchase outside of school.

### Year 2 Conductive Music Workshop

We were very pleased to have Dr Yuki Shikakora from Conductive Music to present a music workshop with the Year 2 children. Each class had an opportunity to use the laptops and learn how to use different websites to play music. It was wonderful to see their enthusiasm and excitement at playing the instruments online.

### **Early Collection of Children**

Please remember to inform the school office if you need to collect your child early. If collection is for a medical appointment please also remember to bring in proof of appointment so your child's absence can be marked accordingly.

### **Half Term**

Next week is half term. I hope you have a fantastic break and enjoy the warmer weather that is forecast. All children will return to school on Monday 5th June.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan Head Teacher





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Next Week	Half Term			
June				
5th	Back to School			
8th	Year 2 Beach Trip			
9th	Non Uniform Day- Donation for Fete			
20th	Sports Day			
22nd	Summer Fete			
26th	Reserve Sports Day			
29th	Year 1 Hasty's Farm Trip			
Menu	W/C Monday 5th June Week 1			

### Attendance

Year	Last Week	This Week
Reception	92.4%	92.7%
Year 1	90.2%	86.3%
Year 2	96.8%	94.3%

Please be advised we will ask you for 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.

### **Packed Lunches**

Please ensure packed lunches are in suitable bags/ boxes. Due to health and safety, no carrier bags are acceptable.

Please also ensure all <u>meat is</u> <u>taken off the bone</u> before putting in your child's lunchbox and that all <u>grapes</u> <u>are cut in half.</u>

A reminder that sweets are not permitted in lunch boxes.



## **PE Kits**



PE Kits have now been sent home for washing. Please ensure your child brings in a full PE kit when we return from the half term break, as they will be practising for Sports Day. Thank you.

# Water Bottles

Water bottles must contain only water and not juices or other drinks.

# **Home Work**

Please make every effort to support your child in completing any homework set. Thank you.

# **Head Teacher'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 school office to make an appointment.

## **Smoking on Site**

Please remember smoking and vaping is strictly forbidden on the school site.ensure you do not smoke or vape on the school site.

# **Bikes and Scooters**

Please remember no bikes or scooters are to be left on the school site over the school holidays.

# Year 2 Tag Rugby

Begins on Wednesday 7th June and will finish on Wednesday 12th July. Slips have gone out to the children who requested the club.

# Half Term Break 29th May—2nd June. Back to School Monday 5th June.

### **Swim Safety**

Now the warmer weather is upon us, please ensure your child is aware of being safe in water. Bright blue swimwear should be avoided as it is difficult to see should your child be in trouble in water. Keeping to other very bright coloured swimwear will enable your child to be seen easily. We are planning to provide the children with water safety sessions.

# Sun Safetv

As the weather is warming up, I would ask that you encourage your child to apply their own suncream as we are unable to do so in school. I am happy for you to provide your child with a bottle of sun screen but please ensure you label it with your child's name and class. In the event of forgetting to apply sun screen, I will ensure each year group has a bottle of Factor 50 for use with the children. However, in order to supply your child with this, we must receive a signed permission slip. Please complete the permission slip at the bottom of this Newsletter and return to school when we return. The sun screen we will use will be Boots Soltan Factor 50.

### **Energy Saving Tips**

Last week our tip included recharging batteries instead of throwing them away. It omitted to state that only rechargeable batteries could be recharged. Apologies for any confusion this may have caused.

### SUN SCREEN PERMISSION SLIP

I give permission for my child to be given Factor 50 sun screen if required during school time.



Child's name

Class	

Print Name

Signed by

Date			





# Ready... Steady.....Go To School Challenge—Essex Library Service

Essex Library Service have a brand new challenge for pre-schoolers, running from May-July, which is aimed at helping children to practise skills they need to help them feel confident when they start school in September. They also have a **Big School Meet Up** on 30th May 10.30am-11.30am. If you have a child starting school in September or know somebody who has, more information can be found by contacting Essex Libraries or by visiting:

https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/ready-steady-go-to-school-challenge

# Free Puppet Show—Clacton Library



Clacton Library are hosting a FREE puppet show by the Sabotage Theatre group on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> Jun at 2.30pm – 3.30 pm. The show is suitable for ages 3-7 years. More information can be obtained from Clacton Library.

**CVST School Half-Term Family Info and Breakfast Morning** 

You are invited to Join CVST for a free family breakfast morning and to find out what help and support there is for you. There will be organizations and services available that may be able to help you with family finances, housing related issues, benefit checks, family support information as well as activities to open to your family during term time.

### Thursday 1st June 10am—11.30am

At Sams Hall, CV ST Imperial House, 20-22 Rosemary Road, Clacton. Call 01255 425692 to book your place.

# Community Food Bank Hub—Clothing

Our Community Hub will now be stocking children's clothes. If you have any good condition clothes that you no longer need, we would be extremely



grateful for any donations. If you bring in any items no longer needed, please

feel free to swap them for any items that may benefit you. There will be a clothes rail placed outside the Hub for easy browsing.