Oakwood Infant and Nursery School

Newsletter: 23rd April 2021



Newsletter

This Week

This week the children celebrated the Royal Family and British Culture.

In a virtual assembly on Tuesday they learnt about our Patron St George and British traditions. It has been wonderful to see the children dressed up today in red and white.

On Wednesday all children and staff attended an E-Safety Workshop delivered by The 2 Johns. The 2 Johns are retired police officers who previously worked in cybercrime and now spend their time educating various sectors on E-safety. More information is contained within this Newsletter on how to access all the E-Safety resources that they shared with us.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs K Maguire-Egan

Head Teacher

Covid 19 Update

We are delighted to say we have not been informed of any cases of Covid since returning.

We advised last week that we would no longer be handing out masks at the gate and how this would affect drop off and collection. I would like to thank you for your understanding and patience this week regarding this change.







KEY DATES

May	
3rd	Bank Holiday Monday
6th	Fire Safety Workshop
11th	Interactive Pantomime
Menu	Next Week—Week 3

Year	Last Week	This Week
Reception	97.9%	96.4%
Year 1	98%	95.9%
Year 2	98.1%	98.3%

ATTENDANCE

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

Reminders

- Please listen to your child read regularly.
- All children need to have a water bottle, full PE kit and coat in school.
- Due to having to keep rooms well ventilated, please can you ensure your child comes to school with a jumper or cardigan.
- The gates are open for Nursery and Years 1 & 2 at 8.20am. The gates close for Years 1 & 2 at 8.35am. For Reception children, gates are open from 8.35am to 8.55am.
- Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May.
- Half Term—31st May to 4th June.

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Beach Patrol and Water Safety Outreach by Tendring District Council

Octopus Ahoy! will be the public art event of 2021 in Essex. This large-scale public art event celebrates the 400 years since Captain Christopher Jones' sea voyage aboard the Mayflower, and the 150th Anniversary

We are taking part in this project to promote beach and water safety to the children. Octopus Ahoy will be providing virtual sessions to the children which will include a virtual tour of the beach patrol station and boats. They will also provide training sessions on beach flags, how to stay safe on the beach, basic water safety, Q&A and more

Further information to follow shortly.

E-Safety

As part of our Safeguarding Procedures, all of the children and staff attended an E-Safety workshops on Wednesday, which covered various aspects of online games/chats. The 2 Johns who delivered the training are retired police officers and have a wealth of experience to share with us.

After the workshop the children completed a questionnaire and the statistics we have received back from some questions are concerning. For example "How many of you would not tell your Mum and Dad if you saw something upsetting on your device?" — 44% of children said they would not tell.

We would ask all parents and carers to ensure you are using parental controls and continuously monitor what your child is being exposed to.

Find out more

If you would like to find out more please visit the 2 Johns website www.esafetytraining.org, where you can find a wealth of information relating to gaming, cyber bulling, screen time and lots more.

Remember to fill in your after school club form and return to the school office or apply for additional clubs by calling the school office. Thank you.

School Uniform Costs



The costs for school uniform items have changed. Below is a list of the updated costs.

Cardigan—£12.00
Dress—£8.50
Sweatshirt—£10.00
Jogging Bottom—£8.00
T-Shirt—£9.00
Skirt—£7.00
Sun Hat—£5.00
Woolly Hat—£3.00
Book Bag—£4.00
PE Bag—£3.00
Water Bottle—£2.00

All items can be purchased from the school office. At the moment we do not accept debit cards but can accept cash or cheque.

Extra Information

Clubs

Afterschool clubs start next Monday. If you wish to apply for additional clubs please telephone the school office to check if there are spaces available. If, at any point, your child decides they no longer want to attend a school club, can you please inform the school office so the place can be given to somebody else. Thank you.

Sun Cream, Hats and Water

Due to the warmer weather, please can you ensure your child has a water bottle in school. As the temperature increases please also ensure your child has sun cream applied and a sunhat.

Easter Treasure Hunt Winners

Thank you to everybody who took part in the Easter Treasure Hunt. A magnificent £450 was raised. Winners have now been picked. Congratulations to you all.

- 1. Scarlett Nightingales
- 2. Christopher Woodpeckers
- 3. Jenson Rabbits
- 4. Maisie Squirrels