



Oak Hill Academy

Newsletter

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DIARY DATES - SPRING 2022

FEBRUARY

Mon 7 th -11 th	Last week of After School Clubs
Mon 7 th	LGBTQ+ History Month
Mon 7 th	Children's Mental Health Week
Weds 9 th	Y6 Imperial War Museum Trip
Weds 9 th	5R Swimming
Thurs 10 th	4S Class Assembly 9.10-9.40am
Thurs 10 th	All School Parent Meeting 4.30pm (Relationships and Sex Education, Drugs, Tobacco and Alcohol) - hall
14th-18th	HALF-TERM
Mon 21 st	International Mother Language Day
Tues 22 nd	River's Reading Group Waterstones Trip
Weds 23 rd	5R and 6H Swimming
Thurs 24 th	Safer Internet Day
Fri 25 th	Well Being Day – My Mind
Fri 25 th	Pop'n'Oly visit (LGBTQ History Month)
Mon 28 th	Y6 Heights & Weights
Mon 28 th	Book Week

MARCH

Tues 1 st	Women's History Month
Wed 2 nd	5R and 6H Swimming
Thurs 3 rd	World Book Day – Dress Up Day
Fri 4 th	4RS Class Assembly 9.10-9.40am
Weds 9 th	5R and 6H Swimming
Weds 9 th	Parent Forum Meeting 9am-10am
Mon 14 th	Science Week
Tues 15 th -18 th	Travelling Book Fair
Weds 16 th	5R and 6H Swimming
Fri 18 th	4M Class Assembly 9.10-9.40am
Mon 21 st	World Poetry Day
Weds 23 rd	5R and 6H Swimming
Weds 23 rd	Parent Forum Meeting 9am-10am
Fri 25 th	Career's Day
Mon 28 th -1 st	Y6 Manor Adventure
Mon 28 th -1 st	Enrichment Week (Y6)
Weds 30 th	5R Swimming
Weds 30 th	Y6 Cinema Trip
Thurs 31 st	Y6 Kidzania Trip
Thurs 31 st	3C Class Assembly 9.10-9.40am

Absence and Contacting School

Please contact the school office by 09:30am on any day your child is not in school or leave a message on the absence line (Option 2).

Absences are not authorised unless medical evidence is provided.

Lateness: Please ensure your child is in school by 08.40 or 08.50 at the latest. If your child is going to be late, please let the school office know as soon as possible. If your child is going to be having a school lunch please let us know what option they are having as we need to order food before 09:30.



The ladies in the office would like to say a **big thank you** to all our parents for our lovely gifts at Christmas time. We are very grateful for your continued support.

Save the Children - Christmas Jumper Day

This was held on 10th December and £193 was raised for 'Save the Children'.

Thank you!



BIRDS OF PREY VISIT

The children had a fantastic day when Alan Ames, Founder of Eagle Heights in Eynsford, Kent came in with some of the centre's birds of prey. Mr Ames gave a talk on their different habitats and the need for conservation. The children also learned about predators, ecology and adaptation.

There was also an opportunity in the afternoon to have photographs taken with the birds.

Oak Hill Sports Round-up



A big well done to the Y6 boy's football team who played against Oriol Academy Thursday 27th. It was a brilliant game to watch with two amazing goals scored by Rio and Zac! Great communication, effort and sportsmanship was shown from all the boys in the team. The match finished with a draw of 2-2. Thank you to Miss Monks (and Miss Lomas from Oriol) for arranging the fixture and thank you also to Miss Barnett for being our game referee!

Please be aware that the school day starts at 08:50. Children are able to enter the building at 08:40 every day except Monday.

On Mondays children should enter at 08:50 and go straight to class.

Year 5/6 Sports Hall Competition

Well done to all the children who participated in this much anticipated competition that took place last Monday 31st at Osterley Sports Centre. There was a mixture of exciting track and field events and everyone gave their all. We came an impressive 5th out of 11 schools that took part. Coming top 5 is an amazing achievement – we look forward to going back next year. The children's behaviour was exemplary also, so a big well done to everyone! Thank you Miss Monks for organising this exciting event.



February Half-Term Multi-Activity Camp

Book now for an action packed week of fun including Nerf Wars, Arts & Crafts and a multitude of winter sports!

Date: Mon 14th – Fri 18th Feb

Times: 9am – 5pm

Price: £26 per day

Ages: 5 to 11

www.premier-education.com/camps

Book for the whole week and save £17.50

Heights & Weights - Year 6

Every year the school nurses come into school to do the Heights & Weights for Year 6. A letter will be sent out shortly giving you more information on this. You will also be given the option of opting out if you so wish.

SCIENCE WEEK - 14TH MARCH

All children will have an opportunity to have an informative, practical session with the Fizz Pop Science Team, which will be linked to the children's current Science topic. Mrs Cronin will be sending out a letter to explain this exciting opportunity nearer the time.

Attendance at After School Clubs

Please be aware that if your child has enrolled on an after school club and you know they will not be attending for any reason, you **MUST** either inform the class teacher or the office at the end of the day. **This is important for safeguarding reasons.** We cannot assume because your child does not turn up for a club that they have been collected safely by you or someone else or, if they walk home alone, that you know they are not attending the club. If your child has been absent from school all day then obviously we would **not** need to be told.

Acorns2Oaks Breakfast and After School

Please note that **all** bookings, whether for breakfast or after school **MUST** be done at least 24hrs in advance via email to: acorns2oaks@oakhill-aspirations.org

Any queries or issues can be made by contacting Mrs Gaish on the **Acorns to Oaks mobile:**

07444 548 303

Childcare vouchers are accepted from all providers and payments can be made via the Tax Free Childcare Service.

Any feedback or comments regarding Acorns should be addressed to Mrs R Thomson at sbm@oakhill-aspirations.org

School Gateway / Email Issues

May we remind parents and carers that we require you to download the School Gateway App to your phone or laptop. All parents need to download the app for communication and payment purposes. If you have an issue with this please ask to speak with the school business manager. Cash is only accepted in to the school office for consumables such as water bottles, swim hats etc or by prior agreement with a senior member of staff.

If you are experiencing any technical issues with School Gateway or you're not receiving the weekly emails sent out by heads of year then please speak to one of the office staff.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You **MUST** label your child's uniform and other items. This should also include tracksuits and hoodies used for outdoor activities. If you don't, then unfortunately we cannot return them. Personalised labels for this purpose can be bought cheaply from sites such as eBay.

Please also label your child's bike or scooter if they are leaving them in the school bike racks. They are left at your own risk but if they are labelled, mix ups are less likely. You are most welcome to provide your child with a lock to use.

SAFEGUARDING REMINDERS

Please can I remind all parents that there is an expectation of appropriate and respectful conduct whilst on our school premises? We expect everyone within our Oak Hill family to model the highest standard of behaviour for all of our children.

Furthermore, a reminder that Oak Hill and FHIS are non- smoking sites and therefore no smoking or vaping is allowed on the premises, playground or field.

WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL

We cannot stress this enough. We have some children with serious nut allergies so please **DO NOT** send your child into school with nuts or anything containing nuts.

CHOCOLATE SPREAD

Factories making chocolate spread will often produce other products that contain nuts. So, to be sure there is no cross contamination, **we do not allow ANY chocolate spread in school.**

DO WE HAVE YOUR UP TO DATE DETAILS?

In the unfortunate event of us having to call you urgently, it is most important that we have your up to date and relevant contact details. We also need to have **at least** one other contact, just in case we can't get hold of you in an emergency.

Let us know if you do not already receive this newsletter by email, please send us your email address to: sd@aspirations-ms.org