



# The Oaklands Primary News



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## Nursery and Reception

Children are invited to make an Easter bonnet and bring it into school for our Easter Bonnet Parade. There are special prizes for winning entries. Please bring in your amazing bonnets by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

## Years 1-6

Create an 'EGGstra' special egg.

Decorate a hard boiled egg and bring it into school to be in with the chance of winning a special prize. Please bring in your EGGcellent designs by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

Important Dates	
Thurs 7th April	Whole school art day Last day of term
Fri 8th April	School closed to pupils—Teacher training day
Mon 11th—Fri 22nd April	School closed—Easter Holiday
Mon 25th April	Start of term—all pupils back in school
Monday 2nd May	Bank Holiday Monday—School closed
Thursday 5th May	School closed to all pupils —Polling Day Year 6 pupils—arrangements TBC
Monday 9th —Thursday 12th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Monday 16th May	Year 6 Workshop
Tuesday 17th May	Year 2 History Workshop
Wednesday 18th May	Year 4 Vikings Workshop
Monday 23rd May	Year 6 WWII Workshop
Tuesday 24th May 9am	Parent Workshop by Beacon School Support—How to help your child be their best at home and school
Friday 27th May	Jubilee Celebration—More details coming Last day of half term

## Easter Egg Raffle

Over 50 delicious eggs to be won!  
£1 per strip. On sale everyday in school from Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Children to give their money to their class teacher, in a named envelop and our raffle ticket sellers will come round each day.





## Environment Development.

It's important to create a stimulating environment for our pupils. Staff had a training session in February, led by a display specialist team, where we learnt tricks and tips on how to create effective displays. Since then, staff have got creative in producing a learning environment that engages pupils, promotes interest and motivation, showcases our curriculum and shows appreciation of the high quality work and effort of all pupils.





## Dogs on school site

We recognise that dogs are an important part of life for some of our families and, as such, are often included in day-to-day activities such as walking children to and from school. In our teaching, we promote the relationship between people and their pets and accept and encourage the idea of pets as 'family members'.

We do however need to consider that bringing dogs onto the premises might pose a health and safety risk to our pupils and others on site and could be unsettling for many as they arrive and leave school. There are added risks of dogs fouling, dogs biting or showing aggressive unpredictable behaviour.

Dogs are therefore not allowed onto school site, at any time. Please ensure that if you do bring your dog on the school run, you do not position them near the school gate as we are having concerns/complaints from parents and some pupils are coming into school upset.

We appreciate your understanding in this.



## Attendance update

It's great to see everyone working so hard to achieve or beat our 96% target. We can only do this if we all work together!

Our whole school attendance for this week was:

91.6%

Our whole school attendance for the year to date is:

93.4%

# Attendance Ladder



## Class attendance

(This year so far)

Nursery	88.3%
Rec Wrens	92%
Rec Robins	91.9%
Year 1 Puffins	90.3%
Year 1 Swallows	91.9%
Year 2 Swans	95.8%
Year 2 Owls	94.1%
Year 3 Herons	95.2%
Year 3 Kingfishers	89.9%
Year 4 Harriers	95%
Year 4 Buzzards	95%
Year 5 Falcons	94.6%
Year 5 Hawks	93.8%
Year 6 Eagles	95.4%
Year 6 Osprey	95.8%

## Nursery

Nursery have had an egg-citing week watching our eggs hatch! We predicted what might be inside before observing the incubator. We have 10 beautiful baby chicks!



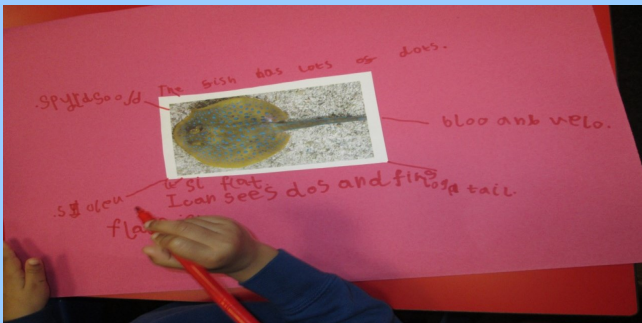
## Reception

The Reception Team have been developing the classroom Reading Areas; take a look at our new, inviting spaces! Children can choose to visit these areas and share a story with an adult or a friend, re-tell a familiar text, and explore facts and information using non-fiction books. Some children are even beginning to read to themselves using the range of decodable books available!



## Year 1

This week, year 1 have been looking at different fish, comparing their features and talking about similarities and differences.



## Year 2

Year 2 had a fantastic sunny outing to Fox Hollies park - hunting for minibeasts. We found plenty of organisms living in their micro-habitats - we'll be writing about it for weeks!



## Year 3

Year three had a fantastic time at St Mary's church last week and we learned lots of information about it's history. We have also been working very hard in English this week, learning how to use pre and post-modifiers! Mr George and Miss Edwards are very proud of how well the children are doing!



## Year 4

In Year 4, we have been super busy! The children have showed amazing



dedication to their work and learning and have continued to impress us! We have been learning all about mountains in project work and the children have been so excited about the unit! The children have been able to label the features of a mountain and produced beautiful drawings too!

## Year 5

Year 5 have tried extremely hard with their learning this week. Their knowledge about Medieval History and the Black Death has been excellent and we are sure they can tell you some interesting facts about how people used to treat symptoms of the plague. Also, in maths we are looking at Fractions, Decimals and Percentages this week – we can't wait to see your potential Year 5!



'Strength and growth come only through continuous effort and struggle.'

Keep up the good work Year 5!

## Year 6

We have been writing a narrative in English, using the book, 'Rose Blanche', with the focus of a setting description and dialogue. Using images and through role play, Year 6 have really started to consider the effect their vocabulary choices have on the reader.

The effort we also saw last week during our practice SATS week was amazing. We are making sure that every minute counts! Well done Year 6, keep up the hard work!

