



The Oaklands Primary News



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We would like to say Happy New Year to all of our pupils, staff, families and community. We hope 2022 brings you good health, new adventures, love, laughter and happiness. We know 2022 is going to be a great year in school, with lots of exciting things planned!

Parent Workshops

We are planning on delivering a range of parent workshops over the term. Currently, these will be remotely. The staff leading the workshops will post a link to the workshop on the specific class page on Class Dojo.

Important Dates

Thurs 13th January	Year 1 Parent Phonics Workshop
Mon 17th January	Year 4 Ancient Roman workshop
Tues 18th January	Year 6 Victorians workshop
Thurs 20th January	Year 5 and 6 Wonderdome science workshop
Tues 25th January	SEND parent coffee morning
Wed 26th January	Year 4 Parent Timestables workshop
Fri 11th February	Sports relief Day—details to follow soon
Fri 18th February	Whole school art focus day
Mon 21st—Fri 25th	Half Term—School closed
Mon 28th February	School open—All pupils return for Spring 2
Thurs 3rd March	World Book Day—details to follow soon

Coats, hats and gloves

Please make sure you send your child to school in a coat. We also recommend pupils wear a hat and gloves to keep themselves warm during break and lunch times.

Please make sure all items are labelled with your child's name.



ClassDojo

We are so pleased with the huge sign-up of parents on Class Dojo. If you have not yet signed up, please do so as soon as possible.

Class Dojo is free to download and use. Each class has a special page where the teacher will be sharing work and messages.

We also have a school page where we will be putting up important information, key dates and celebrating the amazing work in the school. If you need another copy of the personalised pupil letter, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Please Wear a Face Mask



Help Stop the Spread

Key Stage 2 break time snacks

Children are encouraged to bring a healthy snack for break-times. Some examples are: a piece of fruit, a cereal bar, bread sticks and vegetable sticks **Children must not bring snacks, which contain nuts, to school.**

Nursery

This week in nursery, we were visited by The Animal Man. It was an amazing experience where we got to pet animals from different parts around the world. We met an owl, lizards, cockroaches, a snake and even

a skunk!



Reception

The Reception Team welcomed the children back with a brand new project to explore - Do Cows Drink Milk? We have started by talking about our favourite foods and thought about where food comes from. We have some exciting opportunities for the children to explore the natural world coming up over the next few weeks... watch this space!



Year 1

This week, in our Geography lessons, we have been exploring the UK through

Google Earth. We even visited Acocks Green and tried to spot our school! Here is the link, please do some more exploring at home! <https://earth.google.com/web/>



Year 2

We are so excited to have started our new project this half term— Land Ahoy! The teachers dressed up as pirates to surprise the pupils on their first day back. We have been singing sea shanties from around the UK, and developing our



geography skills by following our maps around our miniature Birmingham City centre in the playground.

Year 3

This week, Year 3 have been fascinated by volcanos (our new project). We were shocked to discover that volcanoes still exist! We learnt about a town in Italy called Pompeii, which was destroyed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79AD. Mr Barker shared with us his photos of when he walked up Mount Vesuvius and visited Pompeii.



Year 4

Our first week back has been full of learning and enjoyment! In Curriculum, we have started looking at the Ancient Romans. We have read about everything, from their daily lives and jobs, even down to what they ate! We have begun to look at a new style of writing which is a non-chronological report! A special task for everyone in Year



4 – research at least one fact about the amphitheatre to make our work super!

Year 5

Year 5 have started this year with the amazing topic of 'Stargazers', where we will be exploring space, our Solar System, planets and so much more. As well as this, Year 5 have discovered a fictional new planet 'Pandora' and we are starting to look at writing a newspaper article about this wonderful planet. It's multiplication in Maths - so everyone please practise your times tables on TT Rockstars at home!



Year 6

This week, year 6 have started their brand new Victorians project. We have enjoyed learning all about how life was different for children during that time, particularly how schools were so different! We also learnt that some schools were so overcrowded that they managed to fit 80 per class!

