

# Oakfield Summer Newsletter



26 May 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have all worked very hard this term and are ready for their half term break as are the staff!

In assembly this week we had a visit from the Hearing Dogs Charity. We found out about how these amazing dogs are trained and how they assist deaf people with daily tasks. Emily in Woodpeckers was presented with a certificate for raising £375 for the charity when she experienced being deaf for a day. Well done Emily!

On Thursday we held a special assembly for the juniors and joined in with the national 1-minute silence in respect of those affected in the Manchester bombing. Children had the opportunity to reflect on this and ask questions if they wanted to.

## **Congratulations to our Kitchen Team**

This week the school kitchen team received a surprise Environmental Health Inspection by New Forest District Council. We are very proud to announce that they maintained the top 5-star rating. Congratulations to our cook Tanya & assistants Sam and Xeuwan.

Tanya and her team have gradually increased the average take up of school meals from 40% to over 60%, with the staff enjoying them too! When the new menus come in they prepare extra 'tasters' so the children have the opportunity to try something new before choosing it as an option next time. If your child hasn't tried our school meals yet, why not let them try one soon.

## **Dress code**

A gentle reminder that with the warmer weather here children should wear suitable low heeled sandals or shoes **not** flimsy sandals such as flip flops/toe thongs.

Also please make sure your child does not come to school with a 'tattoo' on them. We are finding that children with glitter and other tattoos are spending time looking at these, not focusing on their learning and are also causing arguments between friends.

## **Oakie Owl and Professor Owl Awards**

Year 3 - Foxes received the attendance award for the week beginning Monday 23rd May for a weekly attendance of 97.9%. Well done!

Professor Owl has been awarded to Year R - Ladybirds for their problem solving, finding different ways to make 10.

Sparkle will be spending half term with Rhys in Owls. Staff awarded Sparkle to him because of his caring attitude towards both his work and his friendships.



### **Inset day**

Please note that the school will be closed for staff training on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

### **British Values Day**

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June (a day before the Queen's official birthday) we are asking the children to come to school dressed in red, white and blue. On that day we will be celebrating British Values by exploring and discussing what it is to grow up and be British in 2017.

***Disclaimer re local clubs, businesses and community events** - From time to time we send out information electronically or by paper flyer advertising clubs, businesses and community events both on and off our site e.g. Fetes, Activity Days, Brownies, Cubs, Sports Clubs, Martial Arts Clubs, Holiday Clubs, Pre-School Events etc. Please note that the school is not responsible for undertaking any vetting checks on these activity providers. **The school will only undertake vetting checks on parties providing clubs and events organised by the school.***

### **Community Event**

YFM Summer Club - details were sent out by parentmail this week.

Totton Diamond YFC are a friendly soccer school delivering an ongoing development programme to take children's football to the next level, they meet at King George IV Ground, Calmore Road, between 5.30 - 7pm Mondays and Thursdays. For further information ring Head Coach 07818551627 or email [infonss@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:infonss@yahoo.co.uk).

I hope that you all have an enjoyable half term break and look forward to seeing you on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

## Dates for the diary, for the school year 2016 - 2017, as at 26 May 2017

(Also now available on our website [www.oakfield-pri.co.uk](http://www.oakfield-pri.co.uk))

May	26 <sup>th</sup>	Last day before half term
	30 <sup>th</sup>	FOO Art Day for Carnival
June	6 <sup>th</sup>	New Entrants Parents Evening
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Year R - Visit to Testwood Lakes
	10 <sup>th</sup>	FOO entry for Totton Carnival
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Phonics testing begins for Year 1
	21 <sup>st</sup>	Sports Day (morning only)
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 & 2 - Marwell Zoo Trip
	28 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day (morning only)
July	1 <sup>st</sup>	FOO Sensory Garden Work Day
	5 <sup>th</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup>	Transition days for Secondary School (to be confirmed)
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Move up day
	7 <sup>th</sup>	INSET Day
	8 <sup>th</sup>	FOO Summer Fayre
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening - Year R to Year 5 3.30 - 6pm
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening - Year R to Year 5 5 - 7 pm
		Year 6 2.15 - 7pm
July	21 <sup>st</sup>	Year 6 Leavers Assembly am
		Year 6 FOO Leavers Bar-be-que
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Last day before Summer Holidays