

# Oakfield Autumn Newsletter

2 October 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Walktober - Thursday 12th October 8.20am - Hammonds Close Park and Stride area**

Please see the separate sheet of information regarding this event. We look forward to seeing everyone in their bright clothing and meeting 'Basil the Bird'.

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

Year 3 - Foxes received the attendance award for the week beginning Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October for a weekly attendance of 98.7%. Well done!

Professor Owl has been awarded to Year 1 - Caterpillars for their super writing about Superheroes with super sentence punctuation.

Sparkle was awarded Abigail, Year 6 - Owls Class for independently choosing to help other children in the class.



## **Rock Challenge Fundraising**

Our fundraising has got off to an amazing start with a £1000 donation from HSBC. Many thanks to Mrs Emily Leeson for securing this donation.

## **Old £1 coins**

Please note that we are no longer able to accept the old £1 coins. They can be changed in a bank but we are not allowed, as a school, to take them in.

## **Movie nights**

FOO are kindly arranging two movie nights for November, one for KS1 and one for KS2. The dates are shown below but please look out for information regarding the films and which night it will be for which Key Stage.

With best wishes

*G Kynaston*

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Gwynne Kynaston and Diane Lawry  
Interim Headteachers

**Dates for the diary, for the school year 2017 - 2018, as at 6 October 2017** (Also now available on our website [www.oakfield-pri.co.uk](http://www.oakfield-pri.co.uk))

October	12 <sup>th</sup>	New Entrants Open Afternoon - Please book appointment
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Homework Challenge Disco 3.30 - 4.30pm
	13 <sup>th</sup>	New Entrants Open day - Please book appointment
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Flu immunisation for Years R, 1, 2 3 and 4
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening 2.00 - 7.00pm - Year 1
		Parents' Evening 3.30 - 6.00pm - Year R, 2, 3, 4 and 5
	18 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Festival at Testwood Baptist Church
November	18 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening 2.00 - 7.00pm - Year 6
		Parents' Evening 5.00 - 7.00pm - Year R, 2, 3, 4 and 5
	1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 1 and 2 Trip to Royal Victoria Country Park
	1 <sup>st</sup>	FOO Spooks and Sparkle Disco
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 and 2 Book Look at 3pm
	8 <sup>th</sup>	E-Safety training for parents - 2.30 - 3.15pm
February	22 <sup>nd</sup>	FOO Movie Night
	29 <sup>th</sup>	FOO Movie Night
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Rock Challenge
May	14 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 SATS Week
June	11 <sup>th</sup>	Y2 Phonics testing begins (two week period)

***Disclaimer re local clubs, business 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.

#### **Attendance Information**

Please note that the 'Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006' were amended as of 1 September 2013 to prohibit the proprietor (headteacher) of a maintained school granting leave of absence to a pupil except where an application has been made in advance and the proprietor considers that there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application. A family holiday is not considered exceptional.

The law also requires parents/carers to ensure that their children attend school regularly and punctually.

Failure to attend school regularly and punctually may result in prosecution under the Education Act 1996, Section 444(1) and 444(1A). The Local Authority is empowered to issue Penalty Notices to parents/carers whose children who fail to attend punctually and regularly. Please see our school 'Attendance Policy' and the 'Hampshire County Council Code of Conduct for issuing Penalty Notices' both of which are available from the school office or on our school website.

We would also like to remind you of the information below:

- Penalty Notices are issued for 10 unauthorised sessions in a 10 school week period (this can include 10 sessions where you arrive late). The 10 school week period can also continue from one academic year to the next.

If you receive a Penalty Notice one academic year and a further 10 unauthorised sessions occur in a subsequent year, a referral is made to the Hampshire Attendance Legal Panel. In the past they have decided not to issue a further Penalty Notice but they have taken the case straight to court. Where the court found against the parents they have received criminal records.