

Oakfield Spring Newsletter

19 January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

Oakie Owl, Sparkle and Professor Owl Awards

Oakie Owl has been awarded to both Year R - Ladybirds for their attendance of 99.2% for the week beginning 15th January 2018. Well done!

Professor Owl has been awarded to Year 6 - Owls class for being super resilient all week and completing all their tests. Great focus Owls!

Sparkle was awarded to Grace in Year 3 - Foxes class for her reciprocal learning - she shows everyone how you should always take turns well when playing games.



Dragonflies - Year 2

Please can the children in Dragonflies bring their named Wellington boots into school with them on Monday 22nd January. They will stay in school for the week and will be taken home on Friday 26th January. Thank you. Miss Cameron and Miss Fryer

Reminder - Scooting and cycling

Please can we remember to keep everybody safe on the school site by pushing bikes, trikes and scooters in the school grounds. Please remind your school-age and pre-school children about this. Unfortunately, an injury was received by an adult yesterday when a child accidentally rode into them. The children will be reminded about this in assembly today.

FOO Quiz Evening in aid of Rock Challenge - Reminder

Saturday 27th January 2018, 7-9.30pm at Totton and Eling Community Centre (maximum team of 10 people) raffle, prize for Best Themed Table, soft drinks, tuck shop, tea and coffee for sale. Bring your own alcoholic beverages. £3 per adult

Reading quality texts

To promote reading and a love of books and to develop children's reading skills teachers are using a range of engaging, quality texts to drive the children's learning.

Children in Year 3 and 4 have been enjoying a fabulous book called *The Night Gardener*. They are also learning to write newspaper reports and here is an example of a report about events in the story written by Shakthika in Badgers class.

Library redevelopments

We have been able to reorganise the library furniture and shelving to create a larger, open space where the whole class can enjoy browsing and reading books. Small groups can also work there or the whole class can enjoy a story.

Volunteers needed: We have some admin jobs in the school library and would very much appreciate the help of some volunteers. If you are looking for work or returning to work it could be a good opportunity for you to gain some experience. If you can help on a regular basis, please meet Mr Brown for a chat about how you could get involved. If you are not already a fully checked volunteer in school, we will need you to fill in the volunteer application and complete the necessary checks, but please don't let that put you off.

COMMUNITY CELEBRATES MYSTERY GARDEN SCULPTURES

Residents of Grimoch Lane have been curious to discover a new topiary animal appearing each morning but nobody knows who is doing all of it. People have been talking about a 'Night Gardener' who comes in the midnight. Some people say that it's been going on recently in Grimoch Lane. Nobody knows who or even why are they doing it.

Mr Milligan, the tennis horn player Lane, William aged 11 said "I just like to enthusiastically told see everyone laugh me "I think the and talk,"

Sculptures are so amazing, I wonder who did it?"

Mr Smith, the Grimoch Lane park keeper moped "I

really don't know who but it is disturbing my work,"

Lucy and Thomas, the lemonade stand people shouted "Grimoch lane has really changed!"

Mrs Carter, aged 62, said "I love the trees especially the Chinese Dragon tree.

I think the topiary is amazing. I agree with young William;

who made the sculptures and why?"

The mystery continues.

With best wishes

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Gwynne Kynaston and Diane Lawry
Interim Headteachers

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.

Dates for the diary, for the school year 2017 - 2018, as at (Also now available on our website www.oakfield-pri.co.uk)

January	27 th	Rock Challenge Rehearsal 2-4pm Totton and Eling Community Centre FOO Quiz Evening in aid of Rock Challenge 7pm - Totton and Eling Community Centre
February	3 rd 7 th 9 th 9 th 10 th 15 th 19 th 23 rd	Rock Challenge Rehearsal 1-3pm Totton and Eling Community Centre Valentine's Disco for Years 1-6 Non-uniform day in aid of Rock Challenge Last day before half term Rock Challenge Rehearsal 2-4pm Totton and Eling Community Centre Rock Challenge Rehearsal - In school - Time to be confirmed First day back after half term Rock Challenge
March	14 th 29 th	FOO AGM 3.15pm (In Year 4 Classroom) - <i>Please note the change of date</i> Last day before end of term
April	16 th	First day back after holiday
May	14 th 25 th	Year 6 SATS Week Last day before half term
June	4 th 11 th	First day back after half term Y1 Phonics testing begins (two week period)
July	20 th 23 rd	Last day before end of term INSET Day