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Attendance Matters



YOU BELONG HERE!
SCHOOL ATTENDANCE MATTERS

15 minutes late everyday
↓
2 whole weeks of lost learning

Friday 16th May 2025

Dear parents and carers

It's been another beautifully sunny week here at school and your children have been incredibly busy, as you can see from the information below.

Year 6 have sat their SATS, we have had a speaker from the Houses of Parliament in school to discuss British laws and values and of course we had some of our pupils run their final mile on The Hoe on Sunday!

Well done to all our amazing year 6 pupils this week. Their behaviour has been exemplary, and they acted incredibly maturely and calmly as they sat their SATS assessments this week. Thank you to you, the parents, for ensuring pupils were here at school on time and in the best frame of mind possible. Well done to you all.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone,

Mr Arnold and the Oakwood Team

Diary Dates to Remember

Monday 19th May

FOUNDATION MOVIE NIGHT PTFA

Wednesday 21st May

YR3 PORSHAM FARM VISIT

26th May to 30th May

HALF TERM

Wednesday 4th June

EYFS AQUARIUM TRIP

Week of 9th June

SPORTS WEEK

Wednesday 11th June

SPORTS DAY

Thursday 12th June

KS1 WEMBURY BEACH VSIIT

Friday 20th June

**MUFTI DAY FOR SUMMER FAYRE—
DETAILS TBC**

25th-26th June

YR6 LONDON TRIP

Monday 30th June

NON PUPIL DAY

Tuesday 1st July

SUMMER FAYRE 15.30-17.00

Monday 14th July

**YEAR 6 PRODUCTION TO PARENTS
13.30-15.00**

Wed 23rd July

SUMMER BREAK

Wed 15th October 2025

PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS



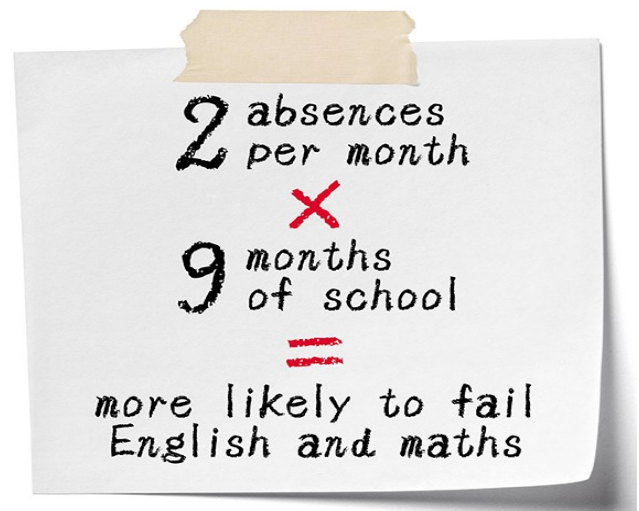
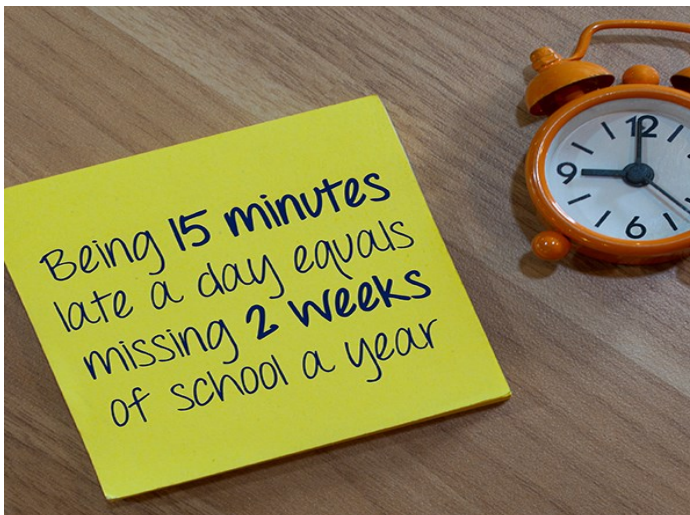
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90% attendance a year = 4 missed weeks of school

If you need help, support or guidance, speak to your child's teacher or visit www.plymouth.gov.uk/school-matters



A gentle reminder to parents that contact must be made with school on your child's first day of absence and each day until they return to school. If you do not provide a reason for your child's absence, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and could result in a penalty notice being issued by Plymouth City Council.

Arriving late for school after 9am will also be recorded as an unauthorised absence.

'Good Attendance' means...

Being in school at least 97% of the time



Did you know?

When children attend school they:

- Can achieve their potential
- Have better career prospects
- Learn how to look after themselves and be healthy
- Grow in confidence
- Keep up with work and homework
- Make new friends

There are
365 days
in a calendar
year

175 days
are not
spent in
school

**A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO TCHAIKOVSK
CLASS THIS WEEK FOR HAVING**

100%

**100%
ATTENDANCE!**

Weekly Attendance for 12th May to 16th May

The UK Government expectation is **96%**.
We are striving for children to achieve this, as there is a direct link between attendance and achievement.

This week, our whole school attendance is **91.95%**
This week's **WINNING** class is: **TCHAIKOVSK** Class
MOST IMPROVED class is: **VIVALDI** Class



BRAHMS	94.69%
PRICE	88.26%
VIVALDI	92.80%
ZIMMER	92.80%
WEBBER	93.08%
BRITTEN	94.21%

BERNSTEIN	83.85%
DUN	80.77%
HOLST	94.62%
ELGAR	97.60%
TCHAIKOVSKY	100%



Family Support Network

		
<p>Mrs J Chubb Assistant Head of School</p>	<p>Mrs Eliss Lock INCO</p>	<p>Mr P Arnold Senior Head of School</p>
<p>Deputy Designated Oakwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding</p>	<p>SEND Support</p>	<p>Designated Oakwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding</p>
<p>Safeguarding Education and Curriculum</p>	<p>SEND and behaviour- support for parents</p>	<p>Family Support</p>
<p>Behaviour</p>	<p>School Nurse Referrals</p>	
<p>Family Support</p>	<p>DLA Applications</p>	
<p>Service Families</p>	<p>GP letters</p>	

Please remember to label your child's jumpers and please send your child in with a water bottle every day. Thank you

Dear Parents / Carers

SCHOOL MEALS DEBT RECOVERY POLICY

Due to an increase in the number of school meals that are regularly not being paid for, The Trust has adopted a **NO DEBT** policy relating to school meals.

We hope that all parents/carers will give this policy their full support. As we all know, nobody takes their child to well-known high street restaurants and expect them to be given food without paying; the same applies at school. If debts are not cleared, they would ultimately have to be referred to the Board of Trustees, for debt recovery arrangements to be made.

If you believe that you may qualify for entitlement to Free School Meals, please contact the office for more details. This allowance is a statutory right, and it is important that you use it if you qualify. We will help you all we can with your application.

All pupils in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 are entitled to receive Universal Infant Free School Meals.

Therefore, this policy relates to pupils in Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) whose parents/carers pay for school meals.

Discovery MAT wishes to avoid a situation which allows parents/carers to accrue large amounts of debt for school meals which they then find difficult to clear.

School meals must be **paid for in advance** using any of the methods of payment outlined below:

- Online at www.parentpay.com
- PayPoint bar code (available from the school office)

If a parent/carer genuinely forgets to pay in advance, the school will grant a debt allowance of **one meal**. However, this debt must be paid the next day, and future meals must be paid in advanced before any meal is provided.

If the debt is not cleared, parents/carers must provide a packed lunch. In a case when a debt payment is not received nor a packed lunch provided, the office will text or phone the parent/carer to ask them to pay online at ParentPay or collect a PayPoint barcode or provide a packed lunch before lunchtime.

If payment of the debt is not received by Day 5, the school reserves the right to inform the Chair of the Board of Trustees, who may decide to begin legal proceedings against parents/carers to recover the debt. The Family Support Advisor may also be informed.

By implementing this policy, we are aiming to help parents/carers limit unmanageable dinner money debts.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

Alison Nettleship
Chief Executive Officer

Hello everyone,

As part of the PTFA (Parents, Teachers & Families Association), we're raising funds for Oakwood School, and we'd love your support!

We're using the Easyfundraising app, which offers three great ways to help Oakwood at no extra cost to you:

1. Sign Up Bonus (6th–20th May):

For every person who signs up during this period, Easyfundraising will donate £1 to Oakwood School—you don't even need to make a purchase! Just enter your email to register.

2. Tesco Prize Draw (May only):

Any online purchase you make from Tesco via the app will enter Oakwood into a draw to win £1,000!

3. Ongoing Donations:

When you shop online through the Easyfundraising app at any of over 7,500 brands (like eBay, Argos, M&S, and more), those companies donate a percentage of your purchase to Oakwood—at no extra cost to you.

Once the app is installed, it will prompt you when you're on a participating site to activate the donation.

This is an easy, free way to raise money for our children's school.

Please sign up before Monday, 20th May, and help us raise as much as possible!

<https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1Bx8oNuhak/>

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/oakwood-primary-academy-ptfa>

The logo for the Parents, Teachers & Families Association (PTFA) is displayed in large, bold, block letters. Each letter is a different color: 'P' is blue, 'T' is red, 'F' is yellow, and 'A' is green.



OAKWOOD PTFA
FOUNDATION

MOVIE NIGHT

19TH MAY | 3:25-4:30

A Magical Tale of Friendship

LOST AND FOUND



£2.50 PER TICKET
TO INCLUDE DRINKS
AND SNACKS

COLLECTION FROM MAIN RECEPTION



FAMILY LEARNING WITH ON COURSE SOUTH WEST

FREE CRAFT SESSIONS WEDNESDAY MORNINGS 0930 AT OAKWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL

COME ALONG AND TRY OUT VARIOUS RELAXING CRAFT ACTIVITIES AND LEARN NEW TECHNIQUES IN A FRIENDLY SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT. THIS TERM WE ARE EXPLORING SEWING, EMBROIDERY AND SUMMER THEMED CRAFTS, SUNCATCHERS, GARDEN LIGHT DECORATIONS, TIE DYE AND MORE. SCAN THE QR CODE, TO FIND OUT MORE AND ENROL! COURSE CODE: W109E31S



LUNCH MENU

Ham and Cheese wraps are on the menu week commencing 21st April 2025 this will run alongside the new menu as a daily choice.

We have colour choices on parent pay ,
Purple -cheese and tomato
orange -ham and tomato
It consists of a wrap with cucumber sticks.



WEEK 1

W/C - MONDAY: 21ST APRIL, 12TH MAY, 9TH JUNE, 30TH JUNE, 21ST JULY, 15TH SEPT, 6TH OCT

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1 - H Pork hot dog with seasoned potato wedges Allergens: Glu W m/c Se, So	CHOICE 1 - H, V Cheese wheels with herby diced potatoes Allergens: Glu W Mu Mi	CHOICE 1 - H Chicken and veg meatballs served with mash and gravy Allergens: Glu W	CHOICE 1 - H Roast gammon loin with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables and gravy	CHOICE 1 Fish fingers served with fresh chips Allergens: Glu, Wh, F
CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Lentil spaghetti bolognese Allergens: Glu W m/c Bar	CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Vegetable curry with rice	CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Cheese and bean quesadilla Allergens: Glu W E	CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Mediterranean vegetable tart, roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables and gravy Allergens: Glu W m/c Bar	CHOICE 2 - H, W, V Cheese and tomato quiche served with fresh chips or pasta Allergens: Glu W E Mi

SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE (MI) / TUNA MAYONNAISE (F E)

DESSERT - V, VE Pears and ice cream Allergens: Mi	DESSERT - H, W, V, VE Apricot flapjack Allergens: Glu O w/c Wh Bar	DESSERT - H, V, VE Custard biscuits served with fruit Allergens: Glu Wh	DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit platter	DESSERT - H, W, V, VE Oat and date cookie Allergens: Glu Wh O m/c Bar
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AVAILABLE EVERY DAY: FRESH SALAD / SANDWICHES ON REQUEST / FRESH FRUIT AND YOGHURT

Fresh fruit, local Westcountry yoghurt available daily. Fresh drinking water is available throughout the lunch time period. All meals served with seasonal vegetables. Chicken alternatives to beef and pork upon request. One meat free day.

H = HOME-MADE IN THE KITCHEN, W = WHOLE WHEAT INGREDIENTS, VE = VEGAN DISH, V = VEGETARIAN

Allergen Key: Gluten (Glu), Barley (Bar), Wheat (Wh), Oats (O), Soy (So), Soybean (Sb), Sesame (Se), Peanuts (P), Mustard (Mu), Molluscs (Mo), Milk (Mi), Nuts (N), Eggs (E), Crustaceans (C), Celery (Ce), Fish (F), Lupin (L), m/c May Contain

Climate Friendly

Did you know?
You can have mixed or brown rice instead of potatoes!
Tilda

WEEK 2

W/C - MONDAY: 28TH APRIL, 19TH MAY, 16TH JUNE, 7TH JULY, 1ST SEPT, 22ND SEPT, 13TH OCT

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1 - H, W Beef burger with seasoned wedges Allergens: Glu Wh Su m/c Se	CHOICE 1 - H, W Pork sausage pasta bake Allergens: Glu Wh Ce m/c Mi	CHOICE 1 - H Homemade cheese & tomato pizza Allergens: Glu Wh So Mi	CHOICE 1 - H Roasted pork and beef meatloaf with roast potatoes, seasonal vegetables and gravy	CHOICE 1 - H Homemade breaded haddock fillet served with fresh chips Allergens: Glu Wh E F
CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Vegetable pasta bake Allergens: Glu Wh Mi	CHOICE 2 - H, V Homemade cheese and onion roll served with homemade coleslaw Allergens: Glu Wh Mi E Mu	CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE Vegetable chilli served with rice Allergens: m/c Glu Wh Bar	CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Butternut squash parcell with roast potatoes seasonal vegetables and gravy Allergens: Glu Wh	CHOICE 2 - V, VE Quorn nuggets served with fresh chips Allergens: Glu Wh

SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE (MI) / TUNA MAYONNAISE (F E)

DESSERT - V Peaches and ice cream Allergens: Mi	DESSERT - H, W, V, VE Oat biscuit bake with fruit Allergens: Glu Wh O m/c Bar	DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit and Jelly	DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit Platter	DESSERT - H, W, V Old school iced sponge Allergens: Glu Wh E m/c Bar
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WEEK 3

W/C - MONDAY: 5TH MAY, 2ND JUNE, 23RD JUNE, 14TH JULY, 8TH SEPT, 29TH SEPT, 20TH OCT

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1 - H, V Macaroni cheese with garlic bread Allergens: Glu Wh Mu Mi m/c Se	All day breakfast – choose from meat or climate friendly option Meat Option - H Allergens: Glu Wh E Mi Climate Friendly - V, VE Allergens: Glu Wh	CHOICE 1 - H, W Spaghetti bolognese Allergens: Glu Wh Ce m/c Bar	CHOICE 1 - H Roast turkey served with roast potatoes seasonal vegetables and gravy Allergens: Glu Wh F	CHOICE 1 Salmon bites served with fresh chips or wholemeal pasta Allergens: Glu Wh F
CHOICE 2 - H W V VE Courgette sausage in a hot dog roll with seasoned wedges		CHOICE 2 - H W V VE Quorn dippers served with tomato and vegetable rice Allergens: Glu Wh	CHOICE 2 - H W V VE Vegetable crumble, roast potatoes seasonal vegetables and gravy Allergens: O m/c Bar	CHOICE 2 - H, V French bread pizza served fresh chips or pasta Allergens: Glu Wh Mi m/c So
SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES ARE AVAILABLE EACH DAY: BEANS / CHEESE (MI) / TUNA MAYONNAISE (F E)				
DESSERT - H W V VE Oat biscuits with fruit Allergens: Glu Wh O Su m/c Bar	DESSERT - H, V Orange jelly and ice cream Allergens: Mi	DESSERT - H W V VE Lemon shortbread with fruit slices Allergens: Glu Wh m/c Bar	DESSERT - H W V VE Fruit Platter	DESSERT - H, W, V Orange drizzle cake Allergens: Glu Wh E Mi m/c Bar
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ED'S SPECIAL EVENTS

APRIL

CATER® 10TH BIRTHDAY
(WEDNESDAY 23RD APRIL)

Homemade sausage rolls (H) Glu Wh
or French bread pizza (H V) Glu Wh Mi
served with crispy potato cubes and vegetables

Dessert
Victoria Sponge
(H V) Glu Wh E

MAY

INTERNATIONAL FAMILY DAY
(THURSDAY 15TH MAY)

Roast chicken, mini sausages & Yorkshire pudding (H) Glu Wh Mi E
or Potato and broccoli bake (H V) Mi
served the roast potatoes gravy and vegetables

Dessert
Trifle
(H V) Glu Wh Mi

JUNE

WIMBLEDON
(MONDAY 30TH JUNE)

Tennis meatballs in tomato sauce with net spaghetti (H W) Glu Wh or
Centre court cheese pizza (H V) Glu Wh Mi

Dessert
Scone and jam
(H) Glu Wh Mi

JULY

SCHOOLS OUT FOR SUMMER
(VARIOUS DATES IN JULY)

Beef burger in a roll (H) Glu Wh, Su m/c Se
with potatoes wedges or Macaroni cheese (H V) Glu Wh Mi Mu So

Dessert
Iced cake with sprinkles
(H V) Glu Wh E

SEPTEMBER

ROALD DAHL DAY
(FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER)

The Enormous Crocodile's Crunchy Fish Fingers served with The Twits Chips (H) Glu Wh F
George's Marvellous Medicine Vegetable Stir Fry (H V) Glu Wh So E m/c Mu Se

Dessert
Wonka bar
(H V) Glu Wh

OCTOBER

HARVEST FESTIVAL DAY
(MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER)

Sausage and vegetable pizza slice (H W) Glu Wh Mi
with potato wedges or Lentil and vegetable shepherd's pie (H V) m/c Glu Wh Bar

Dessert
Apple cake with custard
(H W V) Glu Wh E

STAY UP TO DATE:



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TERM DATES 2024/25



Teaching days (statutory)	190
Professional development days	5
Occasional days	5
Sub-total	200
School holidays	52
Bank holidays	8
Saturdays and Sundays	105
Total	365

Term	Start	End	Days
1	03-Sep-24	25-Oct-24	39
2	04-Nov-24	20-Dec-24	35
3	06-Jan-25	14-Feb-25	30
4	24-Feb-25	04-Apr-25	30
5	22-Apr-25	23-May-25	23
6	02-Jun-25	23-Jul-25	38
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2x 0.5 Days Available for Beechwood and Oakwood

Free School Meals

You may be entitled to apply for Free School Meals for your child/ren if you receive the following benefits:-

- Universal Credit, Income Support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance,
- Income Related Element of Employment and Support Allowance,
- Guaranteed Credit element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of £16,190 or less.

We would urge parents who may be eligible for Free School Meals for the children to either apply on-line through the Plymouth City Council website or contact the school office for a form as soon as possible. This is very important, even if your child does not wish to take up the free meal. The register of FSM entitlement affects our overall school budget and we may be missing out on funding as a result.

Please do not confuse this with Universal Free School Meal entitlement for children in Years Reception to Year Two.



KS2 REN reading word count

The winners of this weeks word count for is:-

Years 1 and 2 – VIVALDI - 3980 WORDS

Year 3 – BRITTEN— 111 762 WORDS

Years 4 and 5 – DUN - 124 833 WORDS

Year 6 – TCHAIKOVSK—65 159 WORDS



Keeping in Touch

Can we please remind parents that the vast majority of contact between school and parents is done by telephone or email. Please could you ensure that we are kept updated with you current contact details to enable us to keep in touch with you when needed.

Parent Pay

Please activate your parent pay account as this allows us to send Newsletters, trip letters and other important information that we may need to convey to you. Please contact the school office if you need assistance.

Facebook and Website

Please follow us on our Facebook page at Oakwood Primary Academy.
Please refer to our school website for latest news and calendar dates.

Email Addresses to Remember

Year 6 - Elgar Class - r.sherrell@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 6 - Tchaikovsky Class - s.betts@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 4/5 - Bernstein Class – j.kelleher@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 4/5 - Dun Class – t.spencer@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 4/5 - Holst Class – l.crocker@discoverymat.co.uk or k.harvey@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 3 - Britten Class - a.moore@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 3 - Lloyd-Webber Class – s.wieprecht@discoverymat.co.uk or a.blakeston@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 2 - Zimmer Class – m.francis@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 1/2 - Vivaldi Class – t.ocarroll@discoverymat.co.uk or h.waite@discoverymat.co.uk

Year R/1 - Price Class – c.wye@discoverymat.co.uk or h.waite@discoverymat.co.uk

Rec - Brahms Class – m.kelly@discoverymat.co.uk