



Oakwood Academy Newsletter

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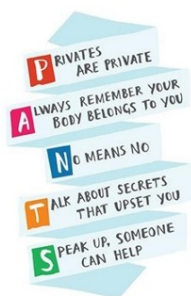
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8th October 2021

NSPCC PANTS WEEK 11th - 15th October 2021

During next week we will be supporting Plymouth PANTS Week in school. Through discussions and activities in class we will aim to teach our children important safety skills without giving explicit information or telling scary stories. We will be teaching our pupils the NSPCC's, Talk PANTS rules using the 'PANTS' acrostic, which is like a green cross code for staying safe.



If you would like to know more about the NSPCC's PANTS campaign you can access a free parent webinar, available any time on demand via this link:

<https://bit.ly/TalkPANTSwebinar>

Further information and advice is also available online at www.nspcc.org.uk/pants

The PANTS campaign also aims to support parents and carers to speak to their children about helping them keep safe. From P through to S, by sharing the PANTS rules with a child, you can help them understand and remember some simple but vital messages: that their body belongs to them, they have a right to say no, and that they should tell an adult they trust if they're worried or upset.



Renaissance Reading Program

When children have finished reading a book they take a Ren Reading quiz to answer questions on the book that they have completed. When quizzes are passed, the number of words in the books are totalled together and a weekly word count for each class is accumulated.

Each week we will look at the word count totals for each class and the winners of Lower KS2 and Upper KS2 will get a few minutes extra play at breaktime!

As this is the first week we have looked at the totals, the word count is from the first day of term. Therefore, our winners this week are:-

Lower KS2 - Lagan Class - 264,508 words

Upper KS2 - Tyne Class - 721,755 words

Well done to those classes!



CATCH IT

Germs spread easily. Always carry tissues and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.



BIN IT

Germs can live for several hours on tissues. Dispose of your tissue as soon as possible.



KILL IT

Hands can transfer germs to every surface you touch. Clean your hands as soon as possible.



Parking Reminders

Please remember to park considerately in the surrounding roads at drop off and pick up times. Please do not block drive ways or double park. We have had contact from some local residents who have been unable to leave for work on time due to some parents parking across drive ways. We ask that you are respectful to our local community during these busy times. Thank you for your support in this matter.

School Uniform Reminder

Please send your child in the correct uniform as outlined in the Uniform Policy on our website. Children should wear grey trousers, skirt/pinafore or shorts not leggings.

We have reverted back to normal organisation regarding PE kit. Children need to bring their PE kit to school, they will change in school for PE sessions. Children no longer should come to school in PE kit. Please ensure that PE kit is as outlined in the uniform policy; this will remain in school.

Please remember that flat, sensible, safe, black shoes (no trainers) should be worn.

Jewellery

Children may not wear jewellery to school at any time (except for small studs, which must be 5mm in diameter or smaller, and watches) other than for religious or cultural reasons. Children in **Foundation** may not wear earrings in view of the physical aspects of their learning.



NEW Health Visiting and School Nursing TEXT SERVICE

PARENTS. CARERS. YOUNG PEOPLE.

If you'd like some health advice or support, but are a bit worried about seeing or talking to a professional, our new ChatHealth is perfect for you!

Simply text one of the numbers below and one of our team will text you back



0-5 years
Parents Service
07480 635188



5-19 years
Parents Service
07480 635189

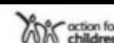


11-19 years
Young People's Service
07480 635198

Livewell

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

(Ages specified in terms as of 2014)



Tik Tok
Twitter
Facebook
Instagram
Pinterest
Google+
Tumblr
Reddit
Snapchat
Secret



YouTube
Keep
Foursquare
WeChat
Kik
Flickr



Diary Dates

(Dates maybe subject to change)



2021/2022 TERM DATES

Mon 25th - Fri 29th Oct

Fri 26th Nov

Fri 17th Dec

Mon 20th Dec - Mon 3rd Jan 2022

Tue 4th Jan

Mon 21st Feb - Fri 25th Feb

Mon 28th Feb

Fri 8th Apr

Mon 11th Apr-Fri 22nd Apr

Mon 2nd May

Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd Jun

Tue 26th Jul

Wed 27th July - Wed 31st Aug

HALF TERM

Non-Pupil Day

School Finishes

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

School starts 8:45am

HALF TERM

Non-Pupil Day

Non-Pupil Day

EASTER HOLIDAYS

May Bank Holiday

HALF TERM

School finishes at 3.15 pm

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Attendance For Week Ending 1st October 2021

The expected average percentage attendance for a child is 96%.

**Well done to Tamar KS1 and
Wye KS2 for the highest attendance!**



Tamar	100.0%
Lynher	99.2%
Fowey	91.6%
Avon	91.5%
Thames	95.1%

Severn	98.5%
Medway	97.7%
Trent	91.0%
Lagan	88.6%
Clyde	91.8%
Mersey	82.4%
Tyne	94.0%
Wye	96.0%

Contacting School

If you are contacting school to report an absence or you have a query, please leave a message on the answer phone with your child's name and class (& reason for absence, if applicable) and we will log/get back to you. Alternatively, email oakwood.office@discoverymat.co.uk
Thank you.

Newsletter Ideas



If you have any ideas about information or updates that you would find useful additions to our newsletter, please email your suggestions to:

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*Have a lovely weekend!
Jackie Sparrow - Head of School*