



Oakwood Primary Academy

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Friday 29th September 2023

This week at Oakwood.

The children across the school participated in their sponsored challenge with Dave Hill this morning which was a great success – Thank you for all your support with this and gaining sponsorship for your child. This needs to be in by Friday 8th October.

Foundation have settled in very well and are enjoying lots of outdoor activities including welly walks, whatever the weather.

Year 1 pupils have been practicing their cutting skills preparing vegetables for a vegetable soup.

Year 2 have been learning and writing key facts about Queen Elizabeth the 1st.

Year 3 are reading Stone Age boy and have been making cave man drawings. (if you have a child in year 3 ask them how they did this)

Year 4 have been reading the story of the Firework makers making predictions about what might happen and then innovating the story with their own ideas.

Year 5 are reading Queen of darkness – Boudica, next week they are going to be writing their very own chapter of the story.

Year 6 have been focusing on place value looking at the importance of this when adding/subtracting and dividing.

Next Monday (2nd October) is the Harvest festival in school any donations will go to the food bank.

Dates for the Diary

Monday 2nd October

**Harvest festival
Assembly**

Friday 20th October

**Last day of term (half
term)**

Accelerated Reader scores – week ending 22/9/2023

KS1 – Holmes – 2234 words

LKS2 – Simmonds – 23 864 words

UKS2 – Brown – 341 534 words

P.E. Kits

As from Monday 18th September all children are to come to school wearing their P.E. kits on their P.E. days – I have included a list of the days for each year group. Children are to wear navy or black shorts, yellow or white T-shirt and trainers (any colour) as the weather gets cooler your child is welcome to wear jogging bottoms (No labels) in either black or navy and a sweatshirt Not a hoodie. (Can be the school jumper).

I am aware that this has caused some confusion and opinion is divided on this requirement so we will trial it (along with the other schools in the Trust) and then get your feedback.

Foundation - Tuesday and Friday

Year 1 - Wednesday and Friday

Year 2 - Monday and Wednesday

Year 3 - Monday and Thursday

Year 4 - Thursday and Friday

Year 5 - Tuesday and Wednesday

Year 6 - Tuesday and Friday.

Attendance – what is the impact on outcomes?

In 2022

-59% of KS2 pupils in Plymouth met the expected standard in Reading Writing and Maths. Of which:

12% of pupils who had less than 90% attendance achieved expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths.

0.03% of pupils who had less than 50% attendance achieved expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths.

58.7% of pupils who had more than 90% attendance achieved a strong pass in English and Maths.

30.7% of pupils who had less than 90% attendance achieved a strong pass in English and Maths.

3% of pupils who had less than 50% attendance achieved a strong pass in English and Maths.

PARENT EVENTS WITH THE FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER.

☕ Coffee Mornings ☕

We would like to invite you to our first coffee morning of the term. This will be held in the meeting room on Tuesday 26th September from 8.45am - 10am.

We would like to offer varying dates and times however due to other commitments we are slightly limited this year.

Proposed future coffee morning dates for your diary are 31/10 and 28/11

Please sign in at reception, first come first served 📞

Mia Horne - Family Support Advisor 🍷



Beechwood Primary, part of Discovery Multi Agency Trust (MAT) also offer some great programmes and parent sessions that Oakwood families are able to attend.

Tuesday 26th September from 1 - 3pm they will be hosting 'Cooking on a Budget' and then every Tuesday at the same time for 5 weeks 🗨️ I will be joining the first session so if you would like to attend too, we could meet at Oakwood reception at 12.30pm and walk down together or I'll see you there 😊

If interested please call the office on 775478 or email m.horne@discoverymat.co.uk

Mia - Family Support Advisor 🗨️👤





Oakwood Primary Academy Harvest Festival.

This is being held on Monday 2nd October (Due to the Athlete visit on the 29th)

Each year group have been practicing a song which they will sing during the assembly.

All donations will be going to Devon and Cornwall Food Action Plus to help families who need it the most.

All Donations are gratefully received of non-perishable items (Tins, pasta etc) but to help we have a list of items needed by our foodbank.

Tinned food such as soups, vegetables or chopped tomatoes. Cereals, teabags, coffee and any pasta sauces.

All donations can be brought in from the 28th September 2023.

