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15 minutes late everyday whole weeks of lost learning

# Friday 2nd May 2025

Hello everyone, I hope that you've all been able to enjoy this sunny week.

## **Sun protection**

Please see the information on page 6.

## Residential return

Some of our Year 5 pupils enjoyed 3 days away this week at Barton Hall, taking part in a variety of sporting and outdoor activities from climbing to swimming. The children had a fantastic time, the weather certainly helped! A huge thank you to Mr Kelleher and Miss Francis-Lang for accompanying our pupils, ensuring that they were able to take part in this wonderful opportunity.

# VE Day 8<sup>th</sup> May

As I'm sure many of you will know it is VE Day next Thursday. We are recognising this important and significant day in school during the week with an assembly on Wednesday and Teachers will be discussing this important event in their classrooms with your children. On Thursday the children, will at lunch time, all receive a celebration cake or biscuit. Special thanks to Susan, our brilliant Oakwood cook for organising this for us.

## Opportunity to join the Trust Local Advisory Body.

There is an opportunity for a parent to join our governing body. If you'd like more information and feel that this might be something you may be interested in, then please get in touch using the contact details on this newsletter. We would be very pleased to hear from you.

Enjoy the bank holiday weekend, and we will see you back at Oakwood on Tuesday 6th.
Mr Arnold and the Oakwood team.

**Diary Dates to Remember** 

Monday 5th May
MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday 6th May
ZIMMER CLASS LIBRARY TRIP

Wednesday 7th May YR6 SATS BRIEFING 3.30PM

SUNDAY 11th May SCHOOLS MARATHON CHALLENGE

Tuesday 13th May PRICE CLASS LIBRARY TRIP

Monday 19th May FOUNDATION MOVIE NIGHT PTFA

26th May to 30th May

Wednesday 4th June EYFS AQUARIUM TRIP

Week of 9th June SPORTS WEEK

Thursday 12th June
KS1 WEMBURY BEACH VSIIT

Monday 30th June NON PUPIL DAY

Tuesday 1st July SUMMER FAIR 15.30-17.00

Monday 14th July
YEAR 6 PRODUCTION TO PARENTS
13.30-15.00

Wed 23rd July SUMMER BREAK





90% attendance = 4 missed weeks a year 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



# Weekly Attendance for 22nd April to 25th April

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 93.37% This week's WINNING class is: Bernstein Class MOST IMPROVED class is: Dun Class

BRAHMS	90%
PRICE	90.43%
VIVALDI	93.60%
ZIMMER	96%
WEBBER	91.54%
BRITTEN	92.11%



BERNSTEIN	97.31%
DUN	87.69%
HOLST	96.15%
ELGAR	97.20%
TCHAIKOVSKY	94.58%



# Family Support Network



Mrs J Chubb Assistant Head of School

Deputy Designated Oakwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding

Safeguarding

Education and Curriculum

Behaviour

**Family Support** 

Service Families



Mrs Eliss Lock INCO

**SEND Support** 

SEND and behavioursupport for parents

> School Nurse Referrals

**DLA Applications** 

**GP letters** 



Mr P Arnold Senior Head of School

Designated Oakwood Academy Lead for Safeguarding

**Family Support** 

# **Sun protection**



With the sun making a welcome appearance this week, please see the excerpt below from our sun protection policy which can be found on our school website. Covering up and seeking shade are the most important sun protection measures.

In addition, sunscreen can provide protection to exposed skin. However, sunscreen should not be used to increase the amount of time spent in the sun. Pupils are encouraged to apply sunscreen before school starts – SPF 20 or above.

Staff will not be able to apply sunscreen to pupils during the school day but may supervise self-application.

## **PGL** Residential

Some of our Year 5 pupils enjoyed 3 days away this week at Barton Hall, taking part in a variety of sporting and outdoor activities including archery tag and the Trapeze, rifle shooting, aqua fun and swimming, survivor games, abseiling and silent disco. The children had a fantastic time!

























# FAMILY LEARNING WITH ON COURSE SOUTH WEST

EREE 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: WLO9E31S





# "Let's Talk about Children....."

Therapeutic Parenting is a nurturing parenting style developed from consistent, empathic, and emotional based responses to your children as a response to their behaviours.

We believe that all children would benefit from experiencing therapeutic parenting and want to share this parenting style through the use of a 'Therapeutic Toolbox'.

This programme is full to top tips and advice to supp journey of parenting and growing up.

Venue	Session 1	Session 2
Estover	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Friday 21stJune
Youth	9:30am-12:30pm	9:30am-12:30pm
centre		
Keyham	Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> September	Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> September
Green	9:30am-12:30pm	9:30-12:30pm
Places		
Efford	Thursday 21st	Thursday 28th
Library	November	November
	11:30am-2:30pm	11:30-2:30pm
Crownhill	Friday 7th February	Friday 14th February
Library	9:30-12:30pm	9:30-12:30pm
Estover	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Tuesday 29th April
Youth	11-2pm	44.00.00
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Efford	Thursday 12th June	Thursday 19th June
Library	11:30-2:30pm	11:30-2:30рм



This is a 2 week programme and topics include:

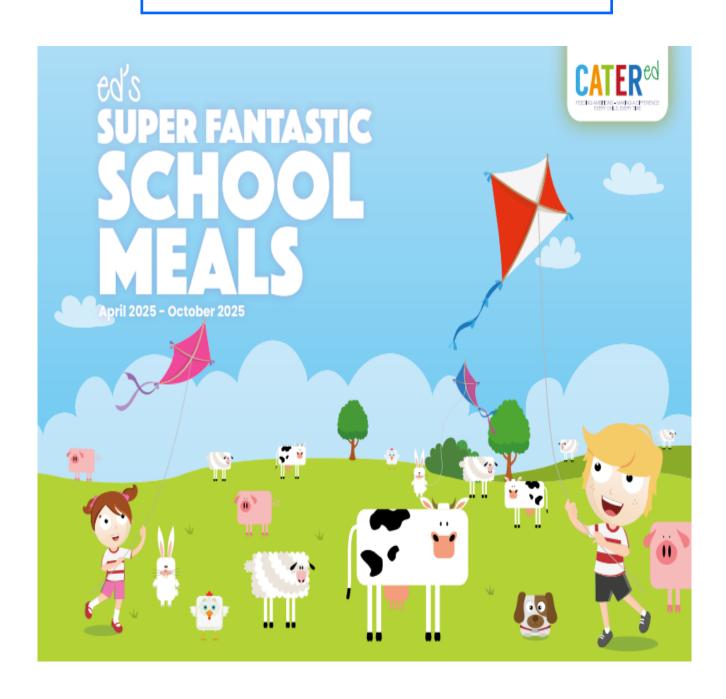
- what does it mean to be a therapeutic parent?
- Emotions
- Anger and aggression
- Managing tricky behaviours
- Play
- Parental self care

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/plymouthcity-council-targeted-help-60431670123

# **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 colours 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

TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY **MONDAY FRIDAY** CHOICE1-H, V CHOICE 1- H CHOICE 1- H CHOICE 1 CHOICE1- H Chicken and veg Cheese wheels with Roast gammon loin Fish fingers served Pork hot dog with meatballs served with with fresh chips herby diced potatoes with roast potatoes, seasoned potato seasonal vegetables mash and gravy Allergens: Glu, Wh, F Allergens: Glu W Mu Mi wedges and gravy Allergens: Glu W Allergens: Glu W m/c Se, So CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE CHOICE 2 - H. W. V Lentil spaghetti Vegetable curry with Cheese and bean Mediterranean Cheese and tomato vegetable tart, roast bolognese quesadilla rice quiche served with potatoes, seasonal Allergens: Glu W m/c Bar fresh chips or pasta vegetables and gravy Allergens: Glu W E Mi Allergens: Glu W m/c Bar

DESSERT - V, VE

Pears and ice cream Allergens:

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

AVAILABLE EVERY DAY: FRESH SALAD / SANDWICHES ON REQUEST / FRESH FRUIT AND YOGHURT



# WEEK 2

W/C - MONDAY: 28TH APRIL, 19TH MAY, 16TH JUNE, 7TH JULY, 1ST SEPT, 22ND SEPT, 13TH OCT						
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
CHOICE1-H, W Beef burger with seasoned wedges Allergens: Glu Wh Su m/c Se	CHOICE1-H, W  Pork sausage pasta bake  Allergens: Glu Wh Ce m/c Mi	CHOICE1 - H  Homemade cheese & tomato pizza  Allergens: Glu Wh So Mi	CHOICE1-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  SELECTION OF JACKET POTATOES A	CHOICE 2 - H, W, V, VE  Vegetable chilli served with rice  Allergens: m/c Glu Wh Bar	CHOICE 2 - H, V, VE Butternut squash parcel with roast potatoes seasonal vegetables and gravy Allergens: Glu Wh  BESSE (MI) / TUNA MAYONNAISE (F.E)	CHOICE 2 - V, VE  Quorn nuggets served with fresh chips  Allergens: Glu Wh		
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Peaches and ice cream Allergens:

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Oat biscuit bake with fruit Mllergens: Glu Wh O m/c Bar

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DESSERT - H, V, VE Fruit and Jelly

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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



Allergens: Glu Wh Mu Mi m/c Se

All day breakfast choose from meat or climate friendly option

Glu Wh Ce m/c Bar

Meat Option - H Allergens: Glu Wh E Mi

Climate Friendly - V, VE Allergens Glu Wh

CHOICE 2 - H W V VE

Quorn dippers served with tomato and vegetable rice

> Allergens: Glu Wh

CHOICE 2 - H W V VE

seasonal vegetables

and gravy

Vegetable crumble, roast potatoes seasonal vegetables and gravy

Allergens: O m/c Bar

CHOICE 2 - H. V

wholemeal pasta

Allergens: Glu Wh F

French bread pizza served fresh chips or pasta

Allergens: Glu Wh Mi m/c So

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

DESSERT - H W V VE

CHOICE 2 - H W V VE

Courgette sausage

in a hot dog roll with

seasoned wedges

Oat biscuits with fruit

Allergens: Glu Wh O Su m/c Bar

DESSERT - H, V

Orange jelly and ice cream

Allergens:

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





# D'S SPECIAL

CATER® 10TH BIRTHDAY

(WEDNESDAY 23RD APRIL)

Homemade sausage rolls (H) Gill Wh or French bread pizza (HV) GLIWHMI served with crispy potato cubes and vegetables

Dessert

Victoria Sponge

INTERNATIONAL FAMILY DAY

(THURSDAY 15TH MAY)

Roast chicken, mini sausages & Yorkshire pudding (4) or Potato and broccoli bake (HV) MI served the roast potatoes gravy and vegetables

Dessert

Trifle (H V) Glu Wh M

(MONDAY 30TH JUNE)

Tennis meatballs in tomato sauce with net spaghetti (HW) GILWH or Centre court cheese pizza (HV) GLI WIS MI

Dessert

Scone and jam

# JULY

**SCHOOLS OUT FOR SUMMER** 

(VARIOUS DATES IN JULY)

Beef burger in a roll

with potatoes wedges or Macaroni cheese (HV

Dessert

ced cake with sprinkles

# SEPTEMBER

**ROALD DAHL DAY** 

(FRIDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER)

The Enormous Crocodile's Crunchy Fish Fingers served with The Twits Chips (4) Glu George's Marvellous Medicine Vegetable Stir Fry (4V) a

Dessert

Wonka bar

# **OCTOBER**

HARVEST FESTIVAL DAY

(MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER)

Sausage and vegetable pizza slice

with potato wedges or Lentil and vegetable shepherd's pie

Dessert

Apple cake with custard



STAY UP TO DATE: 👔 fo







# **CATERED 10TH BIRTHDAY WEDNESDAY 23RD APRIL 2025** 10 YEARS OF YUM-TASTIC FUN AND FOOD Homemade sausage rolls or French bread pizza served with crispy potato cubes and vegetables Victoria Sponge Cake (FOR ALLERGY INFO, PLEASE SPEAK TO THE KITCHEN OR SCHOOL)

### **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
- Child Tax Credit (without Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of £16,190 or

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 School Free School Meal entitlement for children Meals in Years Reception to Year Two.



# **KS2 REN reading word count**

The winners of this weeks word count for is:-

Years 1 and 2 - ZIMMER-7663 WORDS

Year 3 - BRITTEN -53 031 WORDS

Years 4 and 5 - HOLST-117 358 WORDS

Year 6 - ELGAR-111 336 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 - k.loftus@discoverymat.co.uk

Year 4/5 - Holst Class - I.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