



Oakwood Primary Academy Newsletter

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We began our week with an important anti-bullying assembly, focusing on ensuring that all pupils know who they can talk to if they have any concerns or worries. I was incredibly impressed with the children’s knowledge and understanding in this area. It is reassuring to see that our pupils are aware of the effects of bullying and feel confident in how to report any issues. We are delighted to share that our new Deputy Headteacher, Simon Mantell, will be joining us after the Easter break. We look forward to welcoming him to our school community and are excited about the contributions he will bring. I will be writing to you all later on this afternoon regarding school hours, as well as a new drop-off and collection routine. These changes are designed to support our behaviour and culture expectations, alongside some adjustments to our breakfast club times. If you have any questions or concerns, please do speak to me on the school gate in the mornings or contact me via the school office.

Finally, we are pleased to continue strengthening our community links. Our Key Stage 1 pupils have enjoyed a visit to the synagogue, while our EYFS pupils have visited Southway Library—both valuable experiences that enrich their learning beyond the classroom

- UPCOMING EVENTS
- Wednesday 1st April—PTFA Easter competition deadline for entries
 - Rock steady Spring Concert 14:30
 - Thursday 2nd April—PTFA Easter egg hunt 3:30pm
 - Fri day 3rd– 17th April—Easter Holidays
 - Monday 20th April—PGL Parent meeting 3:30pm
 - Wednesday 22nd April— Class Photographs
 - Mon day 27th– 29th April—PGL TRIP YR5
 - Mon day 4th May— Bank Holiday
 - Mon day 25th—29th May—Half term
 - Mon day 29th June— Non-Pupil Day
 - Thurs day 2nd– Fri day 3rd July— LONDON TRIP YR6
 - Thursday 9th July—Summer Fair (TBC)
 - Friday 24th July— SUMMER HOLIDAYS

IMPORTANT

All school meals to be selected and paid for in advance on the ParentPay system by midnight for the next day. Thank you

COMMUNICATIONS SENT THIS WEEK:

ALL: PTFA Easyfundraising
YR6: SATS Booster sessions
FSM: Easter vouchers
ALL: New school day (to come)

ATTENDANCE

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 **94%**
Top class attendance—FIRESTONE 98.85%

SAFEGUARDING & SUPPORT

If you are worried about a child in danger, please contact:

- * Children’s social care on 01752 668000
- * Children’s social care at familiesfirst@plymouth.gov.uk
- * The police

For more information please go to: Worried about a child? | PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK

Mrs Jodie Chubb
Headteacher & DSL

Mrs Tiffany Doughty-Davis
CEO & DSL

WORD COUNT WINNERS

YEARS 1/2 – Mayflower 8599 words
YEARS 3/4 – Mountbatten 168,097 words
YEARS 5/6 – Raleigh 138,772 words

PE Days Remember that pupils wear PE kits these days:

Smeaton	Thursday
Firestone	Monday and Wednesday
Mayflower	Monday and Wednesday
Mount Batten	Tuesday and Thursday
Mount Edgcumbe	Tuesday and Thursday

Saltram	Tuesday and Thursday
Dockyard	Wednesday and Thursday
Burrator	Monday and Wednesday
Raleigh	Monday and Wednesday



TERM DATES 2025/26



Teaching days (statutory)	190
BWD and OAK INSET Days	2
Professional development days	5
Occasional days	5
Sub-total	200
School holidays	53
Bank holidays	8
Saturdays and Sundays	104
Total	365

Term	Start	End	Days
1	03-Sep-25	24-Oct-25	39
2	03-Nov-25	19-Dec-25	35
3	05-Jan-26	13-Feb-26	30
4	23-Feb-26	02-Apr-26	30
5	20-Apr-26	22-May-26	23
6	01-Jun-26	23-Jul-26	38
Total			195

SEPTEMBER					
Monday	1	8	15	22	29
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30
Wednesday	3	10	17	24	
Thursday	4	11	18	25	
Friday	5	12	19	26	

OCTOBER				
	6	13	20	27
	7	14	21	28
1	8	15	22	29
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31

NOVEMBER				
3	10	17	24	
4	11	18	25	
5	12	19	26	
6	13	20	27	
7	14	21	28	

DECEMBER					
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24	31	
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		

JANUARY					
Monday		5	12	19	26
Tuesday		6	13	20	27
Wednesday		7	14	21	28
Thursday	1	8	15	22	29
Friday	2	9	16	23	30

FEBRUARY				
2	9	16	23	
3	10	17	24	
4	11	18	25	
5	12	19	26	
6	13	20	27	

MARCH				
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31
4	11	18	25	
5	12	19	26	
6	13	20	27	

APRIL					
	6	13	20	27	
	7	14	21	28	
1	8	15	22	29	
2	9	16	23	30	
3	10	17	24		

MAY					
Monday		4	11	18	25
Tuesday		5	12	19	26
Wednesday		6	13	20	27
Thursday		7	14	21	28
Friday	1	8	15	22	29

JUNE				
1	8	15	22	29
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	
4	11	18	25	
5	12	19	26	

JULY				
	6	13	20	27
	7	14	21	28
1	8	15	22	29
2	9	16	23	30
3	10	17	24	31

AUGUST					
3	10	17	24	31	
4	11	18	25		
5	12	19	26		
6	13	20	27		
7	14	21	28		

School Terms and Holidays 2026/2027 Academic Year



September 2026						October 2026						November 2026												
M			7	14	21	28	Mo			5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16	23	30				
T		1	8	15	22	29	Tu			6	13	20	27	T		3	10	17	24					
W		2	9	16	23	30	We			7	14	21	28	W		4	11	18	25					
Th		3	10	17	24		Th		1	8	15	22	29	Th		5	12	19	26					
F		4	11	18	25		Fr		2	9	16	23	30	F		6	13	20	27					
Sa		5	12	19	26		Sa		3	10	17	24	31	S		7	14	21	28					
Su		6	13	20	27		Su		4	11	18	25		S	1	8	15	22	29					
December 2026						January 2027						February 2027												
M			7	14	21	28	M		4	11	18	25	M			1	8	15	22					
Tu		1	8	15	22	29	Tu		5	12	19	26	Tu			2	9	16	23					
W		2	9	16	23	30	W		6	13	20	27	W			3	10	17	24					
Th		3	10	17	24	31	Th		7	14	21	28	Th			4	11	18	25					
F		4	11	18	25		F		1	8	15	22	29	F			5	12	19	26				
Sa		5	12	19	26		Sa		2	9	16	23	30	Sa			6	13	20	27				
Su		6	13	20	27		Su		3	10	17	24	31	Su			7	14	21	28				
March 2027						April 2027						May 2027												
M			1	8	15	22	29	M			5	12	19	26	M			3	10	17	24	31		
Tu			2	9	16	23	30	Tu			6	13	20	27	Tu			4	11	18	25			
W			3	10	17	24	31	W			7	14	21	28	W			5	12	19	26			
Th			4	11	18	25		Th			1	8	15	22	29	Th			6	13	20	27		
F			5	12	19	26		F			2	9	16	23	30	F			7	14	21	28		
Sa			6	13	20	27		Sa			3	10	17	24		Sa			1	8	15	22	29	
Su			7	14	21	28		Su			4	11	18	25		Su			2	9	16	23	30	
June 2027						July 2027						August 2027												
M				7	14	21	28	M			5	12	19	26	M			2	9	16	23	30		
Tu			1	8	15	22	29	Tu			6	13	20	27	Tu			3	10	17	24	31		
W			2	9	16	23	30	W			7	14	21	28	W			4	11	18	25			
Th			3	10	17	24		Th			1	8	15	22	29	Th			5	12	19	26		
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Sa			5	12	19	26		Sa			3	10	17	24	31	Sa			7	14	21	28		
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Term time	School holiday	Bank holiday	INSET day
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Term dates			
Term 1	03 September	- 23 October	37 days
Term 3	04 January	- 12 February	30 days
Term 5	12 April	- 28 May	34 days
Total			195 days

Bank and public holidays			
Christmas Day	25 December	Easter Monday	29 March
Boxing Day	28 December	May Day	03 May
New Year's Day	01 January	Spring	31 May
Good Friday	26 March	Summer	30 August