



NEWSLETTER

9TH JUNE 2023

Golden Book

Congratulations to our Golden Book Winners who were presented with their certificates during assembly this morning. This week's theme for the Golden Book was "Reaching for the Stars".



Reception	-	Alex and Josh
Year One	-	Evie Mae, Leonardo and Scarlett
Year Two	-	Piper and Millie
Year Three	-	Laila, Sirena, Louis and Megan
Year Four	-	Scarlet, Sidney and George
Year Five	-	Aydin and Danica
Year Six	-	Harry, Tom, Theo and Lily

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Our School Attendance Target is **96%**

This weeks attendance is **98.5%** which is

ABOVE our school target.

Reception	94.2%
Year One	99.2%
Year Two	99.2%
Year Three	100%
Year Four	99.2%
Year Five	99.6%
Year Six	97.7%

Great Fire of London Year One and Two

On Tuesday 20th June our Year 1 and Year 2 children will be taking part in a 'Great fire of London' workshop. This will give our children the opportunity to learn about key aspects of this historical recount in addition to learning about fire safety.

The children will create their own buildings to reflect the period of history and then they will see how the fire spread – at a safe distance! - facilitated by the workshop leader. The children will then create their own 'sparks' (with adult guidance) using steel flints and learn about fire safety.

We are kindly asking for contributions of £1.50 please to cover the cost of the experience.



Sports Day

We are all looking forward to Sports Day and the children have already started practicing.

On the day children should come into school wearing their Oakridge PE kit but wearing a 'House' coloured T-shirt instead of their Oakridge PE top. (no football shirts please).

Nursery - Wednesday 28th June at 9.15am

Please come to school in PE Kit

KS1 - Wednesday 12th July at 1.30pm

KS2 — Wednesday 12th July at 9.15am

This year, again as last year we are having a photographers registration form. It will be a requirement for all spectators who intend to take photographs during sports day to complete a registration declaration.

The signatory must ensure that all images are used solely for their own domestic use and that they will not place any recordings or images on social networking sites unless they are of their individual child only.



Year Three and Four Visit to Stanley Head

On Monday 10th July, children in Year Three and Four will have the opportunity to enjoy a day trip to Stanley Head Outdoor Education Centre, one of the local authority outdoor education centres.

We are all really excited to take part in such an exciting visit. Stanley Head have specially tailored our day to enhance our Geography learning of exploring maps, using compasses and exploring 4 and 6 figure grid references through orienteering activities throughout the day.

The price of the day visit is £27.55 and can be paid for via your ParentPay account either in full or in instalments. Please note that if there are insufficient contributions the visit may need to be cancelled.



Reception Visit to The National Space Centre

Reception will be visiting The National Space Centre, Leicester, on Monday 19th June. This will further enhance the children's learning about Space. The children will visit the Planetarium to learn about the moon, stars and night sky, tour the Space Centre and also take part in a workshop with Astronaut George as well as embark on a full gallery trail.

The cost of the trip is £31.35 and needs to be paid via your ParentPay account. Please note that if there are insufficient contributions the visit may need to be cancelled.

If you have any questions regarding the trip to The National Space Centre, then please speak to a member of the Reception staff.



Little Oaks Before and After School Club in September

If you would like to book a space for your child in before and/or after school club in September the forms have now been issued via Parentmail.

We would ask that you could please complete the form as soon as possible, ideally by Friday 30th June, so that we know how many children to expect in September so that we can ensure we have sufficient staff in place. Once submitted, the system does not allow any amendments - these can be made by emailing contactus@oakridge.staffs.sch.uk.

If numbers are limited on any one day priority will be given to those children (and their younger siblings) who at the end of the summer term already attend that particular session, have no outstanding debts and have returned the form by the deadline.

Year Two visit to Victoria Park

On Tuesday 27th June children in Year 2 will visit Victoria Park during school time, to continue their Science learning about plants.

Children will complete three activities which will include a demonstration of how to take plant cuttings and repot growing plants, an 'I spy' trail around the park to find 'petals' with letters on which will spell a simple word and lastly craft activities in the Education Room which will contribute to a mixed media collage which will be displayed in the park over the Summer. After that we are hoping to have a picnic in the park so children will need a packed lunch and their water bottles. As we are outside children will also need clothing suitable for the weather (fingers crossed sun hats and sun cream).

If you would like to order a packed lunch from school could you please complete the form which has been sent out via Parentmail by Friday 16th June.

If there any children with allergies that may be affected by this visit or if you have any other concerns please speak to Miss Walker prior to event taking place.

We are asking for a contribution of £7.75 per child to be paid, via ParentPay.



Talent Camp 23 T-shirts

This year our end of year production will be 'Talent Camp 23' - a mix of songs from musicals and modern classics - based around a summer camp for budding actors, singers and performers.

All the children in Year 6 (and Year 5 who will all be performing as the choir for the show) will need to wear a t-shirt printed with the logo for the show as their costume.

We will need to order the customised t-shirts for the children to wear. For this, we are asking for a contribution of £8.50 towards the cost of the t-shirts. It is important you include your child's size when ordering. You can specify the size when making payments in Parent Pay

Your child will then be able to keep their t-shirt as a memento once the production has finished.

Could all contributions please be made by Parent Pay by Friday 30th June so that we can get the t-shirts ordered and received in time for the show.

We look forward to seeing you for what promises to be a spectacular show.



Year Five Visit to Jodrell Bank

On Tuesday 13th June Year Five have the opportunity to visit Jodrell Bank as part of their Science learning 'Earth and Space'. The visit will include an educational talk and the chance to explore the scientific museum, where the children will learn and experience more about our solar system.

Children will need to be at school for 8:15am as the coach will be departing at 8:30am prompt. We will return for the normal end of the school day. All children will need a packed lunch, could you please put these in a backpack so the children's hands can be kept free.

Contributions of £30.00 are invited towards the cost, payable via your ParentPay account, which if you wish to do so will allow you to pay in instalments.



£25,000 Jackpot

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£7.50 - won by Ms K (STAFFORD)

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< Sat 03 Jun 2023 >

Year Three Visit to Dudley Canal Trust

We are excited to inform you that on Friday 23rd June, the Year 3 children will be going to Dudley Canals to deepen their understanding of the 'Rocks' unit in Science.

During the day the children will take part in a workshop on Sedimentary Rocks and Fossils, an underground boat trip and a self-guided tour. Children are required to wear their school uniform and bring a packed lunch.

Contributions of £23.40 are invited towards the cost, payable via your ParentPay account, which if you wish to do so will allow you to pay in instalments.



Foundation Stage Fathers Day Celebration

On Friday 16th June the children from our Nursery and Reception classes would like to celebrate Father's Day by inviting their dads or other family member into school at 2.15pm for some sporting fun and a few treats from the children.

We hope to see you there!

Music Tuition in September

A number of different Musical Instruments will be available for your child to start learning from September 2023. The lessons are all held during school time and are delivered by peripatetic teachers employed by Staffordshire Music Service. During this week and next the teachers have given/will be giving demonstrations to each class showcasing their instruments.

We currently offer the following instruments to the following classes: -

Violin - Current Year 2 to Current Year 5

Brass (Trumpet/Cornet/Trombone) - Current Year 3 to current Year 5

Keyboard - Current Year 2 to current Year 5

Guitar - Current Year 4 and current Year 5

Woodwind (Flute/Clarinet) - Current Year 3 to current Year 5

If your child wishes to learn to play a musical instrument could you please complete the form which has been sent out Via email by Friday 30th June; we can then confirm the teaching requirement with Staffordshire Music Service. Instruments are available to hire from Staffordshire Music Service – the teacher will arrange this and currently there is no charge to hire an instrument.

If your child is currently having music lessons in school and wishes to continue could you please ensure that you complete the 'Continuing Music Tuition Form' which has been sent out via Parentmail.

Millionaire Readers

Congratulations to our Millionaire readers who received their certificates during assembly this morning.



Oakridge Football Festival

On Thursday Oakridge hosted 8 teams for a school football competition in beautiful sunshine on the school field. Oakridge entered a Year 5 and Year 6 team and both teams qualified for the semi-final with some fantastic team performances which resulted in Oakridge Year 6 topping their group and Year 5 finishing second. This meant both teams were drawn to play each other in the semi-finals.

Oakridge Year 5 took the lead through a great free-kick from Eligh to lead 1-0. Oakridge year 6 responded very well and created a number of chances but were denied by some unbelievable saves from Noah in the Year 5 goal, meaning Year 5 hung on to qualify for the final.

The final was a very tight game with Barnfields which we unfortunately lost 1-0 meaning we just missed out on the winners trophy. Well done to both teams who gave their all and played some brilliant football!



Year 5 / 6 School Games Cricket

On Tuesday our Year 5/6 cricket team took part in the school games Cricket competition at Milford Cricket Club. There were 16 teams taking part in two very busy competitions. Our Year 5/6 team performed fantastically in a very tight group with all members of the team contributing fantastically by taking wickets and hitting lots of boundaries.

Unfortunately our team just missed out on qualifying for the final but finished with 3 wins, 1 tie and 1 loss. Well done to all the boys who took part in a really fun event and a great start to the half term.





Summer Fair—7th July

We really do need your help to make this a successful Summer Fair.

We have lots of stalls lined up for the fair but these can only stay open if they are manned. On the evening of the fair there are two time slots where you could help please. A helpers list will be displayed in school from next Wednesday where you can write your name against a stall and a time slot.

The options will be:

4pm—5pm

5pm—6pm

Day Helpers

We also need helpers during the day. We work in the ICT suite and tasks include:

- Preparing hampers
- Preparing posters
- Preparing the tombolas
- Sorting items ready for the stalls

If you could help for some or all of the time during the day please come and join us in the ICT suite.

Your help is really appreciated.

Raffle Prizes

One of the main ways we raise funds at the Summer Fair is from our raffle. If you are able to donate a prize we would be most grateful.

If you think you are able to help please get in touch with the school office.



Summer Holiday Club



SUITABLE FOR
YEARS 1 TO 6

HALF DAYS
OR FULL
DAYS

31ST JULY -
4TH AUGUST



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