

Reception Visit to Blists Hill Victorian Town

Last week our Reception children enjoyed their visit to Blists Hill Victorian Town which supported their learning about the similarities and differences between life in the past and modern-day life. The children also had a tour of the town and they took part in a 'Delivery Day' workshop based on the story of The Jolly Postman, as well as taking part in a laundry experience and candle dipping.



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Music Tuition Demonstrations

For those children looking to begin music lessons or continue with music lessons but may be considering a change of instrument, the peripatetic teachers will be holding music demonstrations during the last week of this half term.

Following the demonstrations ParentMail forms will be issued with all of the details.



Please note there will be a Woodwind catch-up lesson on the 20th May.

Sarah Eastwood our flute/clarinet teacher will unfortunately be off now until half term.

Our School Attendance Target is 96%

This weeks attendance is 97.2% which is above our school target.

Reception	96.0%
Year One	95.0%
Year Two	98.7%
Year Three	99.1%
Year Four	99.1%
Year Five	96.3%
Year Six	95.9%

Year 5 Visit to Cannock Chase

As part of their learning about Cannock Chase, Year 5 will be visiting the Chase on Thursday 23rd May to complete some map work and art.

In order to keep this trip free of charge, we have decided to visit parts of the Chase that are closest to school, so that we don't have to use a coach. We are asking that, if possible, parents drop their child off at Milford Common car park at 9am. We will arrange for the children who are at 8 o'clock club to be taken to meet their classmates at the common—if you would struggle to drop your child off at Milford at that time, please let us know so that we can make alternative arrangements.

Children will need to wear their school PE top and their school jumper, as well as a pair of tracksuit bottoms or leggings (not jeans). They will need sturdy footwear such as walking boots or strong trainers and a waterproof coat. Depending on the weather forecast, children may need to wear sun cream and bring a sun hat.

As we will be out of school at lunchtime, everyone will require a packed lunch, snacks and plenty to drink.

If the weather forecast is unsuitable for outside work, we will inform you the day before and reschedule the trip.

A ParentMail form has been sent out with regard to the arrangements for the day, if you could complete this as soon as possible please. Many thanks.

Foundation Stage Inductions

Our Induction sessions for children due to start our Nursery and Reception classes in September will take place on the following three weeks:-

- Tuesday 18th June
- Tuesday 25th June
- Tuesday 2nd July



Nursery

On the 18th June the session will start at 9.30am and end at 10.30am. During your first session you may stay in class to settle your child if needed. On 25th June the time will be 10.30am to 11.45am and you are able to join us for lunch with your child. On 2nd July the time will be 10.30am to 11.30am.

Reception

On the 18th June the session will start at 9.15am and end at 10.30am. If your child already attends our Nursery then they will be taken in to the Reception class for the induction sessions automatically and you do not need to attend. If your child has not attended our Nursery, you may stay in the class for part of the first session to settle your child. On 25th June the times will be 10.15am to 11.45am. On 2nd July the times will also be 10.15am to 11.45am and you are able to come along to join your child for lunch.

The Induction evening, for parents, is on Tuesday 11th June at 6.30pm. Uniform will be available to purchase/order on this evening too.

Full details have been sent out via ParentMail / email.

Please reply as soon as possible to admissions@oakridge.staffs.sch.uk so that we can make arrangements for all of our planned sessions.

Online Safety Presentation

We hope that anyone who joined the Online Safety parent session yesterday found it useful.

Please find the link below to the recording and presentation:

https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1KPpX_FT40IKfkBK3QupZTgwe11uUlimP

Sporting Events

Firstly, well done to our High 5 Netball team who were very wet runners up in the Netball competition last Friday at Stafford Grammar. Great performance from all involved winning 3 games and losing 1. This week has continued to be very busy despite the bank holiday. On Tuesday our Year 3 / 4 football team continued their unbeaten start to their competition with two wins over Pirehill at Oakridge. The first game was a 2-1 win and the second 9-0. The second half of the week saw the start of the 'School Games' Cross Country with the Year 3 and Year 4 competitions at Stafford Grammar. We are still waiting for the team results but Oakridge had a number of fantastic individual performances with 9 of our 16 runners coming in the top ten across the four races. Big well done to Scott for coming 1st in the Year 4 race and Harry for coming runner up in the Year 3 race! A brilliant effort from all the runners involved – we are proud of every one of you!



JUMBLE SALE

1st June at Wildwood Community Centre at 1pm

All donations to be in the week before the jumble sale please.

You can drop off Monday—Friday 10am—12pm.

All proceeds will go to Wildwood Community Centre.

Poem of the Week

Don't Wear Your Knickers On Your Head by Becci Murray

Don't wear your knickers
on your head,
Don't use them
as a bag.

Don't tie your knickers
to a pole,
And wave them
like a flag.

Don't cut two eye-holes in the seat
To frighten Auntie Jean,
Then use them as a scary mask
To wear on Halloween

Don't take your knickers to the beach
And fill them up with sand.
Don't stretch them over tops of drums
And start a knickers band.
Don't hang your knickers on the wall,
Don't cook them in a pie.
Don't use them as a catapult
To see if mice can fly.

Don't take your knickers to the park
And push them on the swings.
Don't paint them red and white and blue
When partying with kings.
Don't write on them, don't bite on them,
Don't chop them up for fun.
Your knickers are for just one thing...

So throw them at your mum!
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