



NEWSLETTER

26TH NOVEMBER 2021



Christmas Dates for your Diary

This year we plan, Covid permitting, to celebrate the festive season with our school community. We are all really excited and looking forward to celebrating Christmas with you this year. Preparations have already begun and if the current situation continues it will be wonderful to celebrate Christmas with you face to face.

Friday December 3 rd	Christmas Fair (<i>during school day, children only</i>)
Wednesday December 8 th 10.15am	FS Nativity (<i>Nursery parents only</i>)
Thursday December 9 th 10.15am	FS Nativity (<i>Reception parents only</i>)
Friday December 10 th	Sporting Golden Book
Friday December 10 th	Christmas Market (<i>during school day, children only</i>)
Tuesday December 14 th 9.30am	KS1 Nativity (<i>Year 1 parents only</i>)
Tuesday December 14 th 1:30 pm	Year 6 Carol Concert St Mary's Church
Wednesday December 15 th 9.30am	KS1 Nativity (<i>Year 2 Parents only</i>)
Wednesday December 15 th 2:15pm	Year 3 Christmas Assembly
Wednesday December 15 th	School Christmas dinner
Thursday December 16 th 9:15am	Year 4 Christmas Assembly
Friday December 17 th 9:15am	Year 5 Christmas Assembly



contactus@oakridge.staffs.sch.uk

Telephone No.
01785 337 300
Absence Reporting
Via ParentMail



Christmas Gift Bag Donations

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated a gift bag for our Christmas appeal.

The bags have now been collected and distributed to Staffordshire Women's Refuge and A Child of Mine.



Reporting the results of a Covid 19 test

If your child has been for a PCR test and you receive the results over the course of the weekend, could we please ask that you let us know the result via the following email address:-

contactus@oakridge.staffs.sch.uk

We will be checking the account over the weekend and will keep parents updated as necessary.

Nursery and Reception Visit to Edgmond Hall

On Monday, 6th December Nursery and Reception children will be spending the day at Edgmond Hall in Shropshire. The children will be taking part in a 'Countryside Christmas Day', where they will explore the Christmas journey with Santa's elves, Jingles and Sprinkles. They will take part in a Nativity Trail through the woodland, getting dressed up along the way, tackle exciting wintry team challenges, make a postcard to bring home and even meet Santa himself in his grotto!

We will leave school shortly after 9:00am and will return in time for the end of the school day at 3:15pm. Children will need to wear suitable, warm clothing and footwear for the outdoors with their school sweatshirt/cardigan and a waterproof jacket. All children will also need to bring a rucksack containing their packed lunch.

Contributions of £25.00 are invited towards the cost of the trip, payable via your ParentPay account.



£25,000 Jackpot

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£11.40 - won by Ms B (STAFFORD)

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Sat 20 Nov 2021



Keyboard Lessons

Unfortunately, Mr Moon our keyboard teacher was unable to come into school this week. He has informed us that he will come into school twice next week.

Children will have a lesson on Monday and Thursday.



Year Five Visit to Standon Bowers

Our Year 5 children will be attending a residential course at Standon Bowers Outdoor Education Centre from Monday 28th March 2022 until Friday 1st April 2022.

The full cost for the week long residential is £218. Included within the cost is full board accommodation, adventure activities in groups with full instruction and equipment, an evening entertainment programme along with transport to and from the centre.

Could we please remind you that the deposit of £50 was due on Wednesday 24th November. So if your child would like to attend could you please pay this as soon as possible.

It is possible to pay for this residential in as many instalments as you wish via ParentPay from now up until Monday 21st March 2022 .

Foundation Stage Nativity

Our Nursery and Reception children will be performing their nativity on Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th December.

The performance will start at 10.15 and should last for approximately 45 minutes.

Tickets will be restricted to two per family and because of restrictions each class will have a set day for parents to attend.

Please note the days and times below.

Wednesday December 8th at 10.15 am
FS Nativity (Nursery parents only)

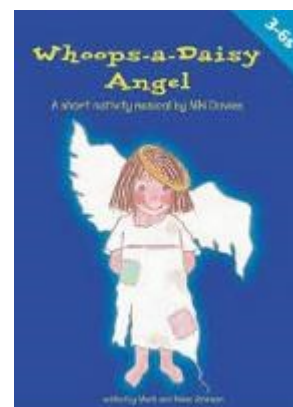
Thursday December 9th at 10.15 am
FS Nativity (Reception parents only)

As in previous years tickets will cost £2.00 and are to be paid for on the door. Tickets for entry will be issued next week.

Whilst we are happy for parents to take photographs of their children we would be grateful if you would be mindful not to cause a distraction during the performance and be considerate of other the parents and other family members sitting around you.

Could we also please remind all parents and carers to refrain for uploading any group photos of our Nativity plays on to any social media sites.

If you are putting photos on please ensure that it is only your own child in the shot with no one else in the background.



Christmas Raffle

Thank you to everyone who has donated a prize for our Christmas Raffle — I'm sure you will agree that we have some lovely prizes.

All children have been sent home with raffle tickets and we would be grateful if could sell as many as possible.

Extra tickets are available in the school office.

Prizes

Paragon Voucher
Cheeseboard
Bedazzled Gel Polish for fingers or toes
Scentsy Warmer and Wax
Driftwood Christmas Tree
Cut and Finish at Francesco
FG Man Voucher
Definitive Moments free photo shoot
12 Christmas Inspired Cupcakes
Homemade Christmas Cakes and Treats
His and Hers Ted Baker Fragrances

We also have a selection of beautiful hampers which include:-

Everything but the Cheese
Festive Family Hamper
Ladies Pamper Hamper
Gentlemans Luxury Gifts
Christmas Cakes and Treats
Festive Treat Hampers

Christmas Fair Tickets

As you are aware, we will be holding the school Christmas Fair on Friday 3rd December with every class having the opportunity to visit the stalls during the day.

In order to avoid bringing cash into school we will be issuing cards which can be paid for in advance via your Parentpay Account. For every game you play you will receive a stamp on your card until the card is full.

All games will need one stamp with the exception of our lucky dip which will require two.

Cards cost £5.00 for 5 stamps or £2.00 for 2 stamps.

You can buy as many cards as you like via your ParentPay Account and tickets will be issued to children on the day of the fair.

Please purchase your cards by Wednesday 1st December at the latest.



IT's CHRISTMAS..... or nearly!

It has been lovely to see the children rehearsing and singing their Christmas songs all around school this week and we still look forward to sharing them with you over the next few weeks.

Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated to next week's Christmas Fair. If you still wish to donate any of the following items they will be gratefully received:-

Boxing Day gifts

Chocolate

If you have not been in school this week please bring in your donations next week—we are relying on your donations to make our Fair a success. Thank you!



Oakridge Christmas Fair Friday 3rd December


Events

Chocolate Tombola, Cake Stall, Feed Olaf, Reindeer Food Bar, Book Stall, Lucky Dip, Penalty Shoot Out, Lucky Jars, Boxing Day Stall, Presents in the Stocking, Guess the baby photo, Raffle.

Don't forget that next
Friday is Non-Uniform
Day in exchange for
your donation of
chocolate.

On Monday we will be launching our Christmas Colouring competition for children in Nursery through to Year 2. Entries will be judged by Mrs Holland with the following categories:-

Foundation Boy
Foundation Girl
Key Stage 1 Girl
Key Stage 1 Boy



Please bring donations
ASAP