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Friday 17th October 2025

Dear families,

I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all those who attended last night’s Communication Working Party. Your time, input, and thoughtful contributions are greatly appreciated. It was a productive evening where we explored several ways to strengthen and streamline communication between home and school.

We will be sharing a summary of the discussions and the actions we’re taking as a result. One of the first steps we’re implementing is a streamlining of the platforms we use to communicate with you. We hope this will make it easier and more efficient for you to stay informed and engaged with school life.

As part of this transition, you will have received an email yesterday about booking wraparound care via Arbor. This marks the beginning of our move to using Arbor for more services this term, which we believe will be a welcome change for many families.

Today marks the last day before the half-term break, and we hope everyone enjoys a restful and refreshing week. Please remember that Monday 3rd November is a PD Day, so children will return to school on Tuesday 4th November.

We’re also looking forward to our Fireworks Night on Wednesday 5th November – always a highlight of the autumn term! Tickets are available now via School Money and Jumblebee.

Thank you again for your continued support and partnership.

Warm regards,

Samantha Hill

October 2025

Friday 17th October Break up for half term

November 2025

Monday 3rd November	PD Day
Tuesday 4th November	Children back in school
Wednesday 5th November	Firework night
Wednesday 5th November	Year 6 NCMP
Monday10th November	Robins swimming 10/11/25, 17/11/25, 24/11/25
Monday 10th November	Odd Sock Day
Wednesday 12th November	Children to Christchurch for afternoon service
Wednesday 12th November	Open event for new reception parents 5.30pm
Wednesday 12th November	Year 6 trip to Alderford Lakes- Futures Fairs
Friday 14th November	Children In Need– Dress in yellow or spots
Tuesday 18th November	Optional Parents Evening Appointments (more information to follow)
Tuesday 18th November	Reception Vision Screening Test
Friday 21st November– Wednesday 26th November	Scholastic Book Fair
Monday 24th November	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
Monday 24th November	Head’s Tea Party

December 2025

Monday 1st December	Robins Swimming
Tuesday 2nd December	Reception, KS1, Year 5& 6 Panto
Wednesday 3rd December	Year 3&4 Panto
Thursday 4th December	Year 6 Ukelele Concert at 9am
Thursday 4th December	EYFS Christmas Performance at School 10.15 am
Friday 5th December	EYFS Christmas performance at School 1.45pm
Monday 8th December	Year 6 water Safety swimming
Tuesday 9th December	KS 1 Christmas Performance art School 1.45pm
Wednesday 10th December	KS 1 Christmas Performance at School 9.45am
Monday 15th December	Year 6 Water Safety– Swimming
Tuesday 16th December	Year 5 Christmas Performance at Christchurch 1.30pm
Wednesday 17th December	Year 5 Christmas performance at Christchurch 9.15m
Wednesday 17th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day



REMINDERS & NOTICES:

- School lunch menu:

As communicated with homes today, we are pleased to inform you that a new catering provider, ABM, will be starting after the half-term.

Please refer to the attached menus included in the email. We will begin with Week 1 of the menu on our return, which will be Tuesday, 4th November

- Head Lice

Please be aware we have had a case of head lice in KS1. Can you please make sure you check you child’s hair regularly and let the office know of any cases.

- Secondary Application deadline – 31 October 2025

The closing date for secondary applications is 31 October 2025 which falls in the half-term holidays. If you have not already done so, we encourage you to submit an application as soon as possible but before the deadline date. This will ensure that if you encounter any problems, you can be supported/helped and to submit your application on time. There is no grace period for late applications. The link for the website is – [Transferring to secondary school | Shropshire Council](#)

The School Admissions Team strongly encourage parents to make use of their four preferences. Please see the Parents’ Guide to Education in Shropshire Booklet for further information. The link to the document is [Parents' guide to education | Shropshire Council](#)

If you have already made an application and wish to add additional preferences/ change the order of preference, please contact school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk



Congratulations to
Oakmeadow C of E Primary &
Nursery School

on being awarded an
EnviroGrant

of **£500**

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We wish you the very best with your community work



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