

What a wonderful way to end the week with a fabulous assembly by Year 6 for remembrance. We do hope you saw the display and enjoy your poppies at home. We would like to say a huge thank you to:

The Veteran Buglers

Teresa Lewis

Allan Carswell

All the Army & Navy officers that came along

Rachael Lanham

The Shropshire music service for them members of the brass band

Who attended our assembly and helped support this special occasion.

There are lots of exciting events coming up and so please do get the dates in to your diaries, it gets busy this time of year. Thank you to all the homes who attended the firework display which made an INCREDIBLE amount of money and will really support the school in being able to continue to give those extra luxuries to our children. We are so lucky to have the Friends of Oakmeadow and a huge thank you to all the staff who supported, without this support these events couldn't happen. SO THANK YOU.

Have a wonderful weekend.

The Leadership Team





Oakmeadow Presents

Winter Wonderland

We are excited to welcome back by popular demand Winter Wonderland!
Friday 7th December 3:30pm – 5:30pm at Oakmeadow Primary School (entrance via the Beeches Gate).

Come & visit Santa's Grotto or sample our winter gin or real ale at our licenced bar & browse our Christmas stalls. Hot food will be served throughout the night so no need to worry about your dinner!

We have lots to keep your little ones entertained from Santa Shoot Out, Bauble Bobbing, Hook a Cracker & Fair Ground Rides.

Our young voices choir will steal the show with their carol concert! And maybe you'll take a chance & enter our raffle. Raffle tickets & Santa's Grotto slots will be on sale soon. Fantastic prizes such as luxury hampers & much more.

I hear its going to be a cracker!

Letters out this month

Sea of Poppies

EYFS Family Lunch

EYFS Phonics Workshop



Copies of our letters are available on the school website.

Reminder

The school office is **closed every Friday** from 9:30 - 2:30. The school answerphone will be checked regularly throughout the day in case of emergency.

Thank you .



There are still spaces available in our nursery for children to start in January. If you would like more information please contact Mrs Hoy in the school office 01743 875020.

Thank you.

Winter Wonderland

Stalls are available to book for £12 each. If you would like to book a stall please email admin@oakmeadowprimary.co.uk by Thursday 22nd November, or call the school office on 01743 875020.



Admission dates for Ladybirds Nursery 2018-19

From September 2018 the enrolment dates for Ladybirds Nursery will now be at the beginning of each half term only.
Please see admission details below.

Group visits

A great opportunity for you and your child to meet the staff and explore our fantastic nursery environment!

Autumn 2nd half

18th October 2018 – 1-2pm
23rd October 2018 – 10-11am

Spring 1st half

18th December 2018 – 1-2pm
20th December 2018 – 10-11am

Spring 2nd half

12th February 2019 – 1-2pm
14th February 2019 – 10-11am

Summer 1st half

9th April 2019 – 1-2pm
11th April 2019 – 10-11am

Summer 2nd half

21st May 2019 – 1-2pm
23rd May 2019 – 10-11am

Start date

This is the date your child will officially start nursery 

Autumn 2nd half

5th November 2018

Spring 1st half

7th January 2019

Spring 2nd half

25th February 2019

Summer 1st half

29th April 2019

Summer 2nd half

4th June 2019



If you would like any further information about Ladybirds Nursery then please contact Judith Hoy on 01743 875020

KS2 Christmas Productions

Last year, following feedback from parents, we made a slight change to our KS2 Christmas. The decision was made to put on an Easter production in 3/4 and for the 5/6 children to continue with the Christmas production.

The reasons for doing this:

- parents had expressed disappointment that some children only got to sing not to act.
- we felt that the growth in ks2 to 7 classes meant it was harder to give every child a meaningful part, or to organise them at church so all parents could see their child.
- the children wanted to be more involved in 'speaking parts' and so to make this possible we split into upper ks2 and lower ks2 for productions. This meant that we could concentrate on giving the children a better production 'experience' and for families to be able to really feel their child had been included in the performance.
- it also means as a Church of England school we can also celebrate Easter by doing this.

Logistically for the teachers and children, moving to this format is helpful, we can give the children a better experience and hopefully put on a quality performance for you all at home to see. We also feel that because the Y3/4 children are performing at Easter they are not missing out, so everyone wins.

We have been contacted by a parent this week to express their disappointment at this arrangement and explaining how they feel the Y3/4 children will miss out. We apologise for that. However, through this explanation, we hope that you can appreciate why we have made this decision. We put getting the best opportunity and experience for the children first.

Thank you for your understanding in this. We welcome receiving feedback like this so we can have the opportunity to add detail to our information home, sharing with you our reasoning behind things. We only ever want to do the best by our/your children and we hope that you understand our reasons for this change. Thank you.



End of day procedures

1. Children in key stage 2 are released and we do not hold lists. In year groups reception to year 2 we require a list of adults which you have given consent to allow your children to be released to. Even though we hold no such list in ks2 and there is no law to prevent children walking home alone, we do advise all children to be picked up where possible.
2. We do not release children in reception and KS1 to other children under 16, unless prior permission has been discussed with the Head.
3. If there are any changes to pick up arrangements, we require all messages to reception by 1pm. This allows time for the messages to be passed to classes. We ask that these are only in an emergency and any known changes are emailed to our office in advance.

Thank you ,we appreciate your support in helping us to safeguard the children.

Wow Moment!!

Wow moment for Lukaz in year 5 when he got to be a mascot for Manchester United! Well done Lukaz, what an achievement!



Are you, or somebody you know, a singer, musician, magician or a family entertainer? If so we would love to hear from you!

On Friday 7th December we will be holding our Winter Wonderland event to raise money for our outdoor learning centre and Forest School. If you would you like to come along to perform and support our event please email admin@oakmeadowprimary.co.uk by **Thursday 22nd November.**

Thank you



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Winter Wonderland Raffle, do you run or work for a company who would be happy to donate a prize for our Winter Wonderland Raffle? This year we are raising money to help fund our outdoor learning centre and shelter and to develop our Forest School area into an enchanted forest!

All donations are greatly appreciated, and if you are happy to support us in this event please email admin@oakmeadowprimary.co.uk by **Thursday 22nd November** or pop in to see us.



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LADYBIRDS NURSERY AT OAKMEADOW



Cheryl Kearney, pictured with Headteacher Carla Whelan

Carla Whelan, Headteacher said ***“our Ladybird nursery school offers outstanding early years education to children from 2 years old.***

We have an outstanding outdoor area that enhances our provision and a full commitment to a quality learning experience for your child which includes being both indoors and out.

Our beautiful environment and our exciting child led curriculum allows us to offer a fun and exciting day of



“As a school that values continual growth, we are involved in many national projects linked to early learning and are officially a chartered college research school. Our aim is to create ‘learning that has endless opportunities for discovery, curiosity, creativity and play.’

Our latest Ofsted (May’16) stated our early years provision as outstanding and the school to have outstanding leadership. We believe that reflects our commitment to give every child our very best.”

There are currently 24U, funded and paid places available for 2, 3 and 4 year olds - if you are interested in the nursery and have not yet registered, please contact the school office to arrange to come and look around.



Oakmeadow CE Primary School
Open Morning for children born between
1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015.
Monday 26th November 10:00am

Oakmeadow CE Primary School is a thriving village school in Bayston Hill. With 401 pupils on roll it is a larger than average primary school, but with a family feel. We have brilliant facilities, a drama and dance studio, a large main hall, adventure playground, and allotments to grow our own food. We have purchased I pads for our pupils to use in their learning every day, we feel it is really important to ensure we engage and motivate our learners and so at Oakmeadow careful thought has gone into the daily curriculum to ensure this.



We are a brain stretching, laughter sharing, independence building and mistake making sort of place. Where all our children and adults matter and we all have faith. Christian values underpin the ethos of the school and we enjoy a good relationship with our local church.

We believe in giving our best respecting and caring for each other and we know that if we work hard we can achieve anything we want in life!

Our most recent Ofsted Report stated that we are a good school with outstanding features in effectiveness of leadership and management and early years provision.

SIAMS graded us as an outstanding church school.

You will have the opportunity to meet with the Head teacher, Foundation Stage Team and also tour around the classrooms. Carol Sneddon, Admissions Manager from Shropshire Council,

Dates for your diary 2018/2019

November 2019

Monday 12th	YR 3&4 Parents Times Table information evening - 3.30pm
Friday 16th	Dress in spots for Children In Need
Monday 19 th	YR 6 Arthog Trip
Monday 19 th	EYFS Family Lunch
Monday 26 th	Open morning for new parents @ 10:00am
Thursday 29 th	Whole school panto trip

December 2019

Wednesday 5 th	Christmas jumper day
Friday 7 th	Winter Wonderland
Monday 10 th	EYFS Christmas Performance - PM
Tuesday 11 th	EYFS Christmas Performance – AM & KS1 Christmas Performance - PM
Wednesday 12th	KS1 Christmas Performance - AM
Thursday 13 th	EYFS Christmas Performance - PM
Friday 14 th	KS1 Christmas Performance - PM
Monday 17 th	Heads Afternoon Tea Party
Tuesday 18 th	YR 5&6 Christmas Performance @ Christchurch - PM
Wednesday 19 th	YR 5&6 Christmas Performance @ Christchurch - PM
Thursday 20 th	Christmas Party Day
Friday 21 st	Break up for Christmas!

January 2019

Monday 7 th	Back to School!
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February 2019

Thursday 14 th	PTA Disco
Friday 15 th	Break up for half term!
Monday 25 th	Back to school!

Lost property

A White stunt scooter has gone missing out of the bike shed

Jakob in Dragonflies has lost a named Star Wars bag

Lukaz in badgers has lost a named navy blue gilet

If anyone has picked this up by mistake please return it to the school office.

Thank you.



Jump In! School Voucher Scheme

Bosses at a Shropshire trampoline park today launched a voucher scheme to give children the chance to win a free school trip.

'Jump In' Shrewsbury has launched its school scheme which will see bouncers collect a voucher to be handed in at their school or nursery. The class will be able to collect discount vouchers each time they attend a bounce session at the Henley Way venue and then the school can use them how they wish.

General manager Duncan Kemp said: "We know there are lots of national voucher schemes out there providing much-needed equipment for schools - but we believe giving children lots of experiences outside of the classroom is important in addition to everything they learn within school.

Carla Whelan, Headteacher of Oakmeadow Primary School in Bayston Hill was the first school to join the scheme.

"This is a great idea as children love collecting vouchers and for them to be rewarded with a free trip once they have collected enough is fantastic."

"It is trips like these that create very special memories. We must remember not all children are fortunate enough to be able to visit such venues at the weekends or during holidays so those who are fortunate enough will be giving their friends and peers the chance to experience the same."

"We will be saving for an end of term trip or maybe some pre-Christmas visits if we collect enough by then and may use them as our reward scheme too."

To take part, ask reception staff for a voucher and hand it in at school. One voucher will be issued to any child or young person aged 18 or under booked on to a bounce session - only the birthday girl or boy will be able to collect a voucher when a party is booked.



PTA News



SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP

PRICE GUIDE

<u>Official School Logo Items</u>				<u>Plain School Uniform Items</u>
Coats	£5		£1	Lilac Summer Dresses
Jumpers / Cardigans	£3		£1	Daps / Shoes
T-Shirts/PE (House) T-Shirts	£1		50p	Skirts/Pinafores/Shorts /
Book Bag /Rucksacks/PE Bags	£1		50p	Trousers
Baseball Caps	£1		20p	P.E. Shorts /Leggings/T-Shirts
				Hair Scrunches' /Socks/Tights

Located Opposite The Main Meeting Room

**This Service Is Run Entirely By Volunteers
& All Donations Go To Oakmeadow PTA**

PLEASE HELP To Keep This Service Available By



1. Donating good clean uniform (in the box provided)
2. Paying for purchases at Reception
3. Keeping the cupboard tidy

Thanks For Your Support!

If you have any spare children's clothes hangers donations would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off at the main school reception. Thank you

Together we raised £6696.52
Thank you so much!



0.5% CASH BACK ON AMAZON!

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Sign in as normal, search for Friends of Oakmeadow, select then shop as normal.

We get given 0.5% of the cost of your net purchase* at no extra cost to you. Easy!

*currently only on web not app shopping



Friends of
Oakmeadow



Community News

CR**A**F**T**

FA**I**R**E**

10am
to
3pm

Sat 17th November

Freshly cooked food available
ALL DAY!

*Christmas present ideas,
fairtrade and ethnic gifts*



Shrewsbury Rd
Church Stretton
SY6 6EX



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MONDAY	AFTER SCHOOL	+	3.30PM – 6PM
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WEDNESDAY	AFTER SCHOOL	+	3PM – 7PM
SUNDAY	WEEKEND SESSION	+	9.30AM – 11.45AM

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Sleepover



Shropshire
Fire and Rescue Service



If your child is invited to a sleepover you will want them to be safe - both in general and in the event of a fire. So before you agree here are some things that might help.

Check that your child:

- Is normally woken by and recognises the sound of a smoke alarm

If they don't, or they have a hearing impairment or other disability, tell the sleepover parents so that someone must wake them and/or help them in an emergency

- Knows what to do if they hear a smoke alarm go off
- Knows not to hide from fire
- Knows how to raise the alarm
- Is happy to ask about the escape plan of the place they are going to



- Will tell you if they don't feel safe

If you are in any doubt:

- Reverse the sleepover and invite the friend to your home instead

And remember to:

- Go through your fire plan with any guests you have staying

Check that:

- There will be a responsible adult present at all times in the property.
- There is a working smoke alarm.



Some of these questions may be uncomfortable to ask but why not look at it this way; you wouldn't dream of travelling in a car without seatbelts - they are lifesavers if there is an accident.

Working smoke alarms and escape plans are like seatbelts for sleepovers - you hope never to need them - but they must be there just in case...

For more information check out
www.shropshirefire.gov.uk



For further information please call
Tel: 01743 260200

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TV PRODUCTION COMPANY MONKEY KINGDOM ARE
LOOKING FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGED BETWEEN
5 & 13 FOR A BRAND NEW PARENTING EXPERIMENT!



ARE YOU
CONFIDENT IN YOUR
PARENTING ABILITY?

DO YOU HAVE A
PARTICULAR PARENTING
STYLE?

ARE YOU PROUD
OF YOUR
PARENTING?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO
SHARE YOUR APPROACH
WITH OTHERS?

WHETHER YOU'RE A COUPLE OR A SINGLE PARENT, WE
WANT YOU TO GET IN TOUCH AND TELL US WHAT
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