

Friday 11th February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you know we believe education is so much more than English and Maths and at Oakmeadow we really value providing opportunities for enrichment. This week has been a special week which has seen lots of opportunities for children to extend their learning beyond the classroom. Year 4 have enjoyed a Roman soldier visit experience to help immerse them into their history topic and for Children's Mental Health Week we have been focussing on 'Growing Together' and taking part in workshops to support wellbeing.

Our football teams have been playing local school teams with our Under 11s progressing to the next stage of the County Plate competition.

We value our links with the community and this week, two of our Year 6 children had the opportunity to plant a Jubilee tree at the Sensory Garden organised by the Parish Council. We also have our own Jubilee plans for later in the year and these will come out to you shortly,

Have a lovely weekend,
Samantha Hill
Headteacher



UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2022:	
Monday 14th February	Year 3– Rabbits Swimming
Monday 14th February	National Child Measurement Programme– Reception
Monday 14th February	U11S Football vs Bicton Heath– Oakmeadow School Field
Tuesday 15th February	KS2 Tag Rugby– Prestfelde School
Tuesday 15th February	National Child Measurement Programme– Reception
Wednesday 16th February	National Child Measurement Programme– Year 6
Thursday 17th February	Fire Safety assembly Year 3-5
Friday 18th February	Polio Fundraising Day and Litter Free Lunch Day
Friday 18th February	Break up for half term!
Monday 28th February	PD day
March 2022	
Tuesday 1st March	Back in School
Thursday 3rd March	Balance Bike training for Nursery and Reception Children– Week 1
Thursday 3rd March	Roctopus in school for Year 3,4,5 & 6.
Friday 4th March	Year 1 Victorian toys Workshop– In school
Tuesday 8th March	Year 2 trip to Whittington Castle
Friday 18th March	Red Nose Day
Thursday 24th March	Year 6 parents SATS information workshop
Wednesday 30th March	Easter Disco!
April 2022	
Tuesday 5th April	Year 3/4 Easter Performance in Church
Wednesday 6th April	Year 3/4 Easter Performance
Friday 8th April	Break up for Easter Holidays!
Monday 25th April	Back in School
Monday 25th April	Year 4 Pioneer Trip
Wednesday 27th April	Year 4 returning from Pioneer Trip

Eco School Update:



Litter

This week at Eco club, we have completed a litter pick around the school grounds. We found a lot of plastic waste amongst other things. It is everyone's responsibility to pick up litter at Oakmeadow.

Mostly we found:

- Tin foil and clingfilm
- Wrappers from snacks
- Fruit cores and peels
- Tissues
- Broken bits from toys



Next week on **Friday 18th February**, we are hosting a Litter Free Lunch Day. We would like everyone to bring in snacks and lunchboxes which have as little litter as possible. Eco club have some suggestions to help you plan for the day.

- 1) Use reusable containers to package sandwiches or crackers instead of clingfilm or foil.
- 2) Bring fruit for break time rather than snacks that come in wrappers.
- 3) Be mindful of the litter that you are leaving at home– you could buy bigger bags of things and put into small containers to save plastic waste.

Eco club and school council will be on hand if you have any questions before the day!

Upcoming Dates:

Monday 14th March – Friday 18th March – Science week – with some eco links

Values and Worship:

This we have focussed on Faith and how courage and belief in ourselves can help us to succeed in areas we find difficult. Next week will see awards given out for our Values Champion of the half term,



REMINDER & NOTICES



Thank you to the Friends Of Oakmeadow who have offered to support some enrichment opportunities in the classroom. Firstly, they have offered to support with payment towards the Year 1 Victorian Toys workshop taking place in March. We and our families are very grateful!

- Year 6 Leavers Hoodies have arrived! These will be given out in assembly on Monday and the children will then be allowed to wear them each Friday instead of their purple jumper or cardigan. This should be the only day that they are worn please - if PE happens on another day, children should continue to wear their purple jumper or cardigan for this. Thank you.
- Plea for books! Do you have any children's books you no longer need? We are looking to re-stock our Key Stage 2 library. Any donations would be gratefully received! Please send your child in with them marked for Miss Connell or bring them into school reception.
- Please can we kindly ask that all parents/carers don't bring dogs unless they are working dogs onto the School Site.
- 2 of our pupils in Year 3 and 6 are taking part in The Wizard of Oz Theatre Production at Theatre Severn. It would be lovely for them to see some of our Oakie faces in the crowd!

Tree planting

The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) is a tree planting initiative which invites people from across the UK to 'Plant a tree for the Jubilee'. This week, two of our year 6 school council reps were invited to plant a tree in the Sensory Garden in Bayston Hill to commemorate the Queen's reign. Hopefully this will create a lasting legacy in honour of the Queen's leadership of the nation for 70 years.

