Oakfield Schools

19th June 2026

Diversity Week

We have had an amazing week in school and the children have been very busy. The younger children have worked with older groups to talk about Diversity. We have talked about Buddhism and had visitors into school. Year One and Two children have been in the forest completing forest activities including forest bathing and being forest guides. We were inspired by the Sound bath that KS2 children took part in with Mrs Foster. Today we have focussed on thinking about respect for all including the environment. The children have thought about how to look after the school environment and made pledges for how we can all help.

What's happening next week

Monday 22nd June	Year 6 PE Year 1/ 2 KM PE Year 1/ 2 CR KS1 Karate Club (after school) KS2 Guitar Club (after school)
Tuesday 23rd June	Reception PE Year 4 PE KS1 Little Kickers (before school) KS1 Multiskills (after school) KS2 Karate (before school) KS2 Ukulele (after school)
Wednesday 24th June	Year 1/ 2 BG PE Year 1/ 2 KM PE Year 5B PE – 5R Swimming KS1 Happy Feet Dance (after school)
Thursday 25th June	Reception PE Year 4 PE KS2 Guitar Club (after school)
Friday 26th June	Year 1/ 2BG PE Year 1/ 2 CR Year 6 PE KS2 Oakfield Band (after school)

Summer Sing

On Wednesday Year 6 took part in the Summer Sing: The World Cup at the Glasshouse. This was

their annual, large scale celebration bringing hundreds of young voices together. Schools united on the iconic Glasshouse stage to perform inspiring songs from around the world, championing inclusivity, creativity and community through the power of collective singing. A huge thank you to Aoife for making her flag at home and bringing it into school to be displayed on the stage and well done to Betty whose flag was displayed on the big screen.

Year 6 represented Oakfield with respect, passion and unity. On the stage you were all incredible: you smiled, danced and sang our songs with such enthusiasm. WOW - did we feel proud.

Summer fayre

Many thanks to parents who brought in a donation to our Summer fayre today, your contributions are much appreciated and help us to create some lovely prizes and hampers. Please look out for details of stalls and activities available at our Fayre in next week's Friday letter.

Omnicom Young Inventors Competition winner

Congratulations to Millie from 4G

On Winning A Tablet For Your School!

We were incredibly impressed by the creativity, innovation, and enthusiasm demonstrated by your students throughout the Young Inventors Competition. The quality of ideas and effort on display made the judging process extremely difficult. We are delighted to announce that your school has been selected as one of this year's winning schools! This achievement is a testament to the hard work, imagination, and inventive thinking of all your students, as well as the encouragement and support provided by your staff. Please pass on our congratulations to everyone who took part.

As part of your prize, your school has won a **Lenovo Tab One Tablet**, which we will be raffled at the summer fair.

Thank you for taking part and helping make this year's competition such a success.

Diary Dates for 2025-2026		
New / amended events added are highlighted in yellow after week 1		
1/06/26	Summer 2 begin	
w/b 15/6/26	Diversity Week	
15/06/26	Class photographs day	
19/6/26	Non uniform Day	
22/6/26	SEND Coffee Morning	
24/06/26	KS2 Sports Afternoon	13:15 start
01/07/26	Summer Fair	15.30
02/07/26	Y1 and Year 2 Washington Wetlands	
08/07/26	New Year 3 Parents Coffee Morning	09:15
08/07/26	Reports out to parents	
09/07/26	Reception trip Tynemouth Aquarium	
10/07/26	**South Shields leavers trip**	
13/07/26	Key Stage 2 Music Extravaganza	09:00
13/07/26	Year 6 leavers concert	17.30
14/07/26	Reception summer picnic	pm
15/07/26	Year1/2 summer picnic	pm
17/07/25	Occasional day – School closed	
18/07/26	Start of Summer holidays	

Curricula enrichment activities throughout the year		
Year group	Destination	Date
R	**Northern Stage Theatre**	**11/12/25**
	Tynemouth Aquarium	**9/07/26**
	Trip to the library	**tbc**
1 /2	**Centre for Life**	**05/11/25**
	Washington Wetlands	**2/07/26**
	Church and Library	**tbc**
	Fun run	**22/05/26**
3	**Panto**	**11/12/25**
	Laing Art Gallery – Sketching	**21/01/26**
	Fun run	**22/05/26**
	Jewish Community local walk	**tbc**
	Durham University Oriental Museum– Egypt	**03/06/26**
4	**Sunderland winter Gardens Geography Trip**	**21/10/25**
	Panto	**11/12/25**
	Jarrow Hall – history trip	**20/04/26**
	Fun run	**22/05/26**
5	**Panto**	**11/12/25**
	Shipcote Art Gallery – in school workshop	**tbc**
	Centre for life – Science day	**27/01/26**
	Shipcote Art Gallery – Art (awaiting booking window to open)	**tbc**
	Fun run	**22/05/26**
6	**Lockerbie Manor residential**	**26-28/11/25**
	Panto	**11/12/25**
	Fun run	**22/05/26**
	Field work enquiry	**tbc**
	Trip to South Shields – Leaver's celebration	**10/07/26**

Please note an adjustment to the PD day in the Autumn term. It has now been attached to the half term holiday in October and deleted from November.

2025 – 2026 Term Dates	
Term	**Dates**
Autumn 1 Autumn 2	02/09/25 – 23/10/25 03/11/25 – 19/12/25
Spring 1 Spring 2	06/01/26 - 20/02/26 02/03/26 – 02/04/26
Summer 1 Summer 2	20/04/26 – 22/05/26 01/06/26 – 16/07/26
PD days & other non-school days	01/09/25 24/10/25 05/01/26 04/05/26 – bank holiday 17/07/26 - occasional day

2026-2027 Term Dates	
Term	**Dates**
Autumn 1 Autumn 2	02/09/26 – 22/10/26 02/11/26 – 18/12/26
Spring 1 Spring 2	04/01/27 - 12/02/27 22/02/27 – 25/03/27
Summer 1 Summer 2	12/04/27 – 28/05/27 07/06/27 – 15/07/27
PD days & other non-school days	01/09/26 23/10/26 03/05/27 – bank holiday 16/07/27 - occasional day

Star points total per week			
	Summer 2		
	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
R	387	618	987
1	140	216	747
2	161	543	1184
3	914	1103	1122
4	231	234	533
5	187	494	421
6	36	36	3396

Safeguarding

YouTube continues to be a go-to platform for entertainment, learning and creativity, but its vast and largely unregulated content library presents ongoing challenges. This guide outlines how features like recommendations, Shorts and social interaction can shape young people's viewing habits, sometimes exposing them to inappropriate or extreme material.

It also explores key safeguarding concerns, including stranger interaction, risky trends and the limits of automated moderation. With practical advice on tools such as YouTube Kids, supervised accounts and parental controls, the guide supports parents and educators in encouraging safer, more balanced and informed use of the platform.

School attendance and Punctuality

School year	Attendance					
	Summer 2					
	Week 1		Week 2		Week 3	
	Attendance	% marks late	Attendance	% marks late	Attendance	% marks late
Junior Overall	91.6	0.4	94.9	0.53	90.5	9.9
Infant Overall	96.1	1.0	97.0	0.89	93.7	6.2
6	92.7	0.8	95.5	0.78	86.8	10.5
5	88.8	0.0	97.0	0.0	88.9	13.3
4	91.1	0.7	95.4	0.87	94.1	13.7
3	93.0	0.0	92.4	0.38	92.2	3.4
2	92.6	0.0	98.0	0.0	94.9	11.9
1	100.0	1.0	93.4	2.0	86.1	5.5
R	97.0	2.4	99.1	0.89	94.9	2.0

Thank you very much for supporting our attendance.

Miss Chisholm - Executive Head Teacher
Mr Thompson – Executive Deputy Head
Miss Hartness – Executive Deputy Head