



Oakfield Schools

20th June 2025

Let's Celebrate Science!

The children have thoroughly enjoyed Science Week this year. All the children have had the opportunity to learn about coding with Mr Bailey (Y5 and Y6 will work with him next week). Thank you to Friends of Oakfield for funding this. On Monday, Mrs Edmundson gave up her time to talk about her career as a midwife. On Tuesday, Reece, from Newcastle University visited the juniors to read a story called entitled 'The History of Earth'. He carried out some brilliant experiments and worked with classes in KS2 throughout the day. The children have also participated in a science carousel and Year 3 and Year 1 built bug hotels in the den. Thank you to all of our visitors, staff and children, who have made this week successful and certainly a lot of fun.



Diary Dates for 2024-2025		
New / amended events added are highlighted in yellow after week 1		
KS1 = Year 1 & 2 / KS2 = Junior school		
Date	Event	Time
W/B 23/06/25	Diversity week	
23/6/25	Meeting for current Reception and Year One parents	4.30 pm
1-2/ 07/25	Transition days	
09/07/25	Year 2, soon to be new Year 3 parents, coffee morning – Junior Hall	9.00 am
09/07/25	Reports out to parents	
10/07/25	Reception trip to Wallington Hall	
10/07/25	Year 3 trip – Oriental Museum	
11/06/25	Year 6 Leavers Trip – South Shields	
14/07/25	Key Stage 2 Concert – Junior Hall	9.00 am
15/07/25	Year 6 leavers concert	17.30
15/07/25	Reception Summer Picnic	1.30
16/07/25	Year One Summer Picnic	1.30
17/07/25	Year Two Summer Picnic	1.30
17/07/25	Last day of term	
18/07/25	Occasional day – School closed	

2025 – 2026 Term Dates	
Term	Dates
Autumn 1	02/09/25 – 23/10/25
Autumn 2	03/11/25 – 19/12/25
Spring 1	06/01/26 - 20/02/26
Spring 2	02/03/26 – 02/04/25
Summer 1	20/04/26 – 22/05/26
Summer 2	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

2024 - 2025 Term Dates	
Term	Dates
Summer 2	02/06/25 – 17/07/25

PE Days	
Reception	Tuesday and Friday
Year One	Monday and Thursday
Year Two	Wednesday and Friday
Year Three	Wednesday and Thursday
Year Four	Wednesday and Friday
Year Five	Monday and Wednesday
Year Six	Wednesday (Swimming) and Friday

Staffing Update

At the end of this academic year, both Mr Pattison in Year 1 and Miss Cook in Year 5, will leave Oakfield to take on new and varying challenges. In informing parents, we would also like to reiterate the huge contribution that these two members of staff have made to the academic and social developments of the children they have taught, as well as the many positive relationships that were built with members of the school community. We wish them both every success in both their professional and personal journeys in the years to come. Thank you!

Children will find out their class teachers for next academic year on Wednesday of next week, ready for the transition week the following week.

Meeting for current Reception and Year One parents

Reminder- we are holding a meeting for parents on Monday 23rd June at 4.30 in the Infant Hall for parents who wish to attend to explain how the curriculum will be delivered. If any parents are unable to attend the information will be sent home following the meeting. The children will be taught in straight year groups for English and Maths and in mixed age groups for foundation subjects. An overview of the foundation subject curriculum will be included in the presentation so that you can see how the curriculum will be delivered to meet the National Curriculum expectations.

Year 5 Gymnastics

Last Friday 5 of our gymnasts who had qualified for the County finals competed at the Royal Grammar School. Well done to you all and we even came away with a bronze medal! Congratulations for this result.



Class Photographs

Class photographs will be taken on Thursday 26th June. Please can you ensure your child wears full school uniform on this day not PE kit, if your child has PE on this day can they please bring their PE kit to school.



Diversity Week

The children will be talking about differences next week in class. Staff have spoken to the children about bringing something into school relating to religions, worldviews and culture. If you have anything you are willing to send in for your child to talk to others about, we would be happy to receive them.



**Treat your child to a day
in the forest this Summer!**

**SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUBS
Michelangelo's, Ryton**

22, 23, 24 July

29, 30, 31 July

5, 6, 7 August

10-3pm

**Order a delicious Italian takeaway to be delivered to the
woods! (£35 per day with own food / £40 per day with food)
Suitable for children from Reception age and upwards.**



**Activities can include campfire, s'mores, fire lighting, mud, sand
and water play, outdoor crafts, mud kitchen, tools, hammocks,
messy play, hill climbing and free time to explore.**

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Holiday Clubs

**Parent and
Preschool Groups**

**After School
Clubs**

Birthday Parties

Corporate Events

**Sessions in your
Child's School**

School Trips

Safeguarding



The way we engage with text has changed dramatically over the years. Whether reading captions on social media, instructions in a video game or an e-book on a digital device, technology plays a major role in modern literacy.

To help struggling readers, many digital platforms offer tools that enhance readability by making text more accessible and engaging. There's also a broad range of accessibility features available, such as screen customisation and text-to-voice technology, which may help children and young people improve their literary confidence. This free guide offers ten top tips on how you can help young readers engage in text and foster a love for reading.

Safeguarding your home network access by checking your filtering

<https://testfiltering.com/>

TestFiltering.com enables you to check that your internet filter is working correctly without having to access harmful or illegal content manually. The link works with specific partners to host test URL's on various lists and have test pages hosted where they will be blocked.

School Attendance and Punctuality

School year	Attendance					
	Summer 2					
	Week 1		Week 2		Week 3	
	Attendance	% late	Attendance	% late	Attendance	% late
Junior Overall	95.2	0.79%	95.1	1.03%	96.1	0.93%
Infant Overall	98.6	0.58%	96.0	0.43%	96.2	0.43%
6	95.1	0.77%	95.3	0.67%	94.3	0.48%
5	94.5	0.75%	93.0	0.88%	98.0	0.88%
4	96.7	1.17%	96.0	1.02%	96.1	1.28%
3	94.5	0.51%	96.4	1.56%	95.7	1.12%
2	99.0	0.48%	95.8	0.21%	96.4	0.21%
1	99.7	0.56%	98.0	0.49%	97.3	0%
R	94.0	0.79%	94.4	0.69%	94.4	1.39%

Miss Chisholm - Executive Head Teacher

Miss Hartness – Executive Deputy Head

Mr Thompson – Executive Deputy Head