

OAKRIDGE TIMES

Our Year 6 pupils have just returned from their residential visit, and I cannot speak highly enough of their attitude throughout the week. It was great to witness them demonstrate such resilience and courage as they navigated new experiences and faced personal challenges. The memories they've created and the lessons they've learned will stay with them for years to come.

On a different note, I want to take a moment to celebrate the generosity of our school community. Our recent harvest donation appeal saw an overwhelming response, and it has been heartwarming to see so many families contributing items for our local food bank. This is exactly what community spirit looks like. When we work together to support those around us, we demonstrate values that go far beyond the curriculum – kindness, compassion and a genuine commitment to helping others.

A reminder to Year 6 parents. If you haven't already done so, please ensure that you complete the Year 7 admissions paperwork by 31 October. This is a crucial step in your child's transition to secondary school, and we want to make sure everything is in place for them.

Lastly, I would like to wish you all a very happy half term and I look forward to seeing you all after the break.

Diane Charman

DIARY DATES

NOV		
2 nd	Return to school	
6 th	Diwali Light It Up Festival 6pm	
9 th	NO TEACHER LED CLUBS ALL WEEK Parents Evening 3:30pm-6:00pm	
10 th	Parents Evening 3:30pm – 6:00pm	
18 th	Flu Vaccinations – Infant & Junior School	
19 th	Height & Weight – Year R and Year 6	
25 th	School Disco Year R – Year 6 (details to follow)	
26 th	Photographer – Nursery only	
27 th	INSET DAY	
DEC		
4 th	Christmas Fair	
18 th	Carols on the Playground, Early Finish at 2:30pm	

Attendance Winners

	w/e 02/10/26 Class	w/e 09/10/2 6 Class	w/e 16/10/2 6 Class	w/e 23/10/26 Class
Infant	7	5	7	2 & 7
Junior	6	8	1	2

After School Clubs

Booking for next term's sports and teacher-led clubs which begin on Monday 2nd November, will be available to book from **6pm on Sunday 25th October 2026** via your child's Arbor account. Teacher-led clubs will finish w/b 7th December while sports clubs finish w/b 14th December.

Payment -Teacher-led clubs have been set up in the same way as sports clubs and payment will now be taken from your child's Arbor sports account. Please ensure that you pre-credit your child's Arbor sports account before booking any clubs as the clubs get booked up very quickly at the time of go live.

Netball/Football Teams - If your child is part of either the netball or football teams, your child has automatically been added to next term and payment should be made before their first session. Please advise the school if your child no longer wishes to be part of the team.

Monday's Year 6 Reading Booster Club will continue to run next term, and children will be added automatically.

FINAL REMINDER

Year 7 Applications

The closing date for year 7 applications is

31st October 2026

Applications are made online at
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/admissions>

Our next INSET DAY is Friday 27th November 2026

Infant Stars of the Week

		Week ending 2 October	Week ending 9 October	Week ending 16 October	Week ending 23 October
Class 1		Adam K	Liam S	George R	Finley B
Class 2		Sahas G	Oscar C-R	Meera M	Alanna W-S
Class 3		Thieyash G	Tommy E	Harry C	Zyaire L
Class 4		D-J H	Lyla J	Sofia L	Ada A
Class 5		Tommy O	Sofia T-M	Orson A-D	Florence B
Class 6		Emiya E-I	Ruby-Rose C	Hunter S	Edward V-K
Class 7		Zaid K	Teresa C	Archie D	Noah H-H
Class 8		Daki C	Abigail C-M	Andrei S	Athiyan V
Class 9		Yuvaan B	Hannah A	Avontae A	Perseus G
Cabin		Ardev B	Isaad M-I	Shlok M	Dominic E
Junior Stars of the Week					
Class 1		Runoa D-A	Michael C	Yem H	Beatrice S-N
Class 2		Kehlani J	Arlo A	Remus A-D	Maria C-R
Class 3		Mishika G	Yumi P	Josie F	Isaac G
Class 4		Eliyh H-B	Riley H-H	Sid P	Nola H
Class 5		Melissa P	Vivaan T	Oliver R	Ivy C
Class 6		Owen G	Bobby S	Noah E-S	Isla W
Class 7		Victoria W	Cayson C	Yoshen R	Mabel P
Class 8		Jasleen P	Rory D	Jasleen P	Dunamis J
Class 9		Binta J	Linnea P	Adwik R	Flavia F
Class 10		Arjun A	Ella-Rose W	Teddy B	
Class 11		Minna K	Thomas G	Evelyn B	Harvey T-C
Class 12		Sophia R	Shivam B	Talia M	
Cabin		Jaci B	Theo S	Max D	Mateo E-F



COACH JORDAN'S SPORTS ROUND-UP

First of all, I wanted to say thank you to 'Kala the arts' for coming in and delivering Diwali dance workshops for our year 2 and 4 children. Over 60 children will be taking part in the 'Light It Up Parade' which will be taking place in Basingstoke town centre on Friday 23rd October.

Our sports teams have had a mixed bag of results in their first friendlies of the school year. The year 5/6 boys and 3/4 teams have narrowly lost their opening games but both put in good performances. The netball and year 5/6 girls football teams got off to a flying start and won both of their games. All teams have their first league fixtures booked in for next term.

Outdoor Learning – ALL children will be taking part in outdoor learning next term so please ensure they have their outdoor kit in school. Days are always subject to change, and we ask parents to ensure their children bring their outdoor learning clothes in in EVERY MONDAY together with their PE kit. Kit can be taken home on Friday's if needed.

For an up-to-date list of outdoor learning and PE kit please follow the link - [Outdoor Learning/PE Kit](#)

I hope everyone has a restful break and happy Halloween to those that celebrate.



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School Age Immunisation Service - Parent Newsletter

Annual Flu Vaccination Programme

All children are eligible to receive the flu vaccine. Parents and carers are sent a link to the online consent form between September and November, ahead of the school vaccination session.

The vaccine is usually given as a nasal spray. For children who cannot have the nasal spray due to medical or religious reasons, a porcine-free injectable vaccine is available. Details about how to request this are included on the electronic consent form.

Why should I get my child vaccinated? Flu is a highly infectious illness that children can catch and spread easily. For many children, flu can be very unpleasant and may lead to complications such as ear infections, bronchitis, or pneumonia. In some cases, it can result in serious illness requiring hospital treatment.

Vaccinating your child not only helps protect them from flu but also reduces the spread of the virus to others who may be more vulnerable to serious illness, including babies, pregnant women, older adults, and those with long-term health conditions.

What if my child misses their school vaccination session? If you provide consent for your child to receive the flu vaccine and they are absent on the day of the school session, you will automatically receive an email inviting you to book an appointment at a local community clinic, ensuring your child still has the opportunity to be vaccinated.

It's not too late to complete the consent form. Even if your child's school vaccination session has already taken place, submitting a form now will allow you to book an appointment at a local community clinic.

For contact details and further information about the School Aged Immunisation Service and the vaccination programmes offered, please visit:

<https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/collections/school-age-immunisation-service/>





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