



Oakmere Primary School
Tall Oaks from Little Acorns Grow



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Headteacher's Message



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a fantastic day supporting Children In Need. I loved all the dressing up outfits children (and teachers) wore today, and they were able to share them with the rest of the school at our celebration assembly today. Check out our Instagram page for more photos.



Thank you to the parents that came to support our bake sale after school. We will let you know in the next newsletter how much we raised.

Next week KS2 have a healthy eating workshop on 21st and 22nd November where they will be learning about healthy eating and making smoothies with a smoothie bike.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

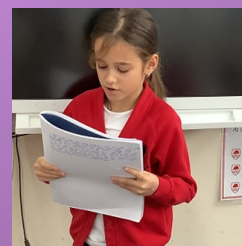
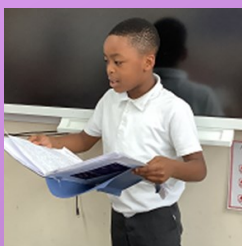


CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT— CHESTNUT CLASS

Chestnut class have enjoyed our pasta-making workshop from HCL. The children had the opportunity to select their own ingredients and prepared their lovely pasta dish. After all their effort, the children enjoyed their meal.



In English, the children have been immersed in 'The King Who Banned the Dark' by Emily Haworth-Booth. The text has guided our writing sessions, emphasising the use of paragraphs for organising ideas, using multi-clause sentences, and mastering the use of prepositions. This week, they delivered persuasive speeches advocating for banning the light. Their persuasive abilities and enthusiasm were remarkable, showcasing their growth in both writing and public speaking.



To mark anti-bullying week, the children have discussed how one kind word can provide a moment of hope, change someone's perspective, change their day, and break the cycle of bullying.

POSTCARD COMPETITION WINNER

Here is our winner from Year 6 who won our postcard competition. Her entry is on its way to our printers and hopefully children will start receiving these through the post congratulating them on their good work in school.



HAPpy camps

HAPpy camps are for children and young people (Reception to Year 11) who attend a Hertfordshire school and are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals. Over 100 HAPpy camps are running across Hertfordshire this festive period, with nearly 9,000 spaces available from 21 December – 3 January 2024. The programme, funded by Hertfordshire County Council and the Department of Education (DfE) via the government's Holiday Activity and Food programme, is co-ordinated by Herts Sport and Activity Partnership and the Hertfordshire Community Foundation.

The office have already sent the code to the families who are eligible.

Places can be booked from midday on Wednesday 22 November via the Herts Sport and Activity Partnership's website: <https://bit.ly/3MHkFH8>

Link to their poster:

<https://thegrid.org.uk/assets/happy-winter-poster-2023.x9a49134b.png>

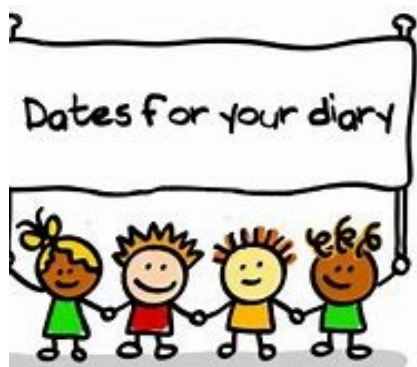


Role Model Badges 2023

Name	Class	Name	Class
Elise	Poplar	Darcie	Chestnut
Latanzea	Poplar	Rebecca	Chestnut
Yadia	Poplar	Aarthi	Chestnut
Grace	Sycamore	Katty	Chestnut
Atanas	Sycamore		



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- 21 & 22 November – Health Eating Workshops for KS2
- 22 November - Hawthorn Class Assembly at 2.45pm
- 27 November to 1 December—Book Fair after school
- 29 November—Chestnut Class Assembly at 2.45pm
- 4 December—PANTO
- 8 December—PTA Christmas Fayre

For term dates see our website—www.oakmere.herts.sch.uk

House Point Results—Autumn Term (2) 2023



Week	Marie Curie	JK Rowling	Pablo Picasso	Mo Farrah
Week 1	570	635	549	651
Week 2	1097	1095	1173	1193
Week 3	1348	1244	1366	1199
Overall this term	7334	6958	7697	7767

Star of the Week—10th & 17th November 2023

Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Aazan	Willow	Francesca	Poplar	Macey	Cedar
Adrianna	Willow	Georgia	Sycamore	Illyanna	Cedar
Ali	Birch	Atanas	Sycamore	Malaikah	Blue Oak
Eva	Birch	Rebecca	Chestnut	Achintya	Blue Oak
Lyla	Hazel	Harry	Chestnut	Kiah	Red Oak
Esmee	Hazel	Lilly	Hawthorn	Hamnah	Red Oak
Millie	Poplar	Reya	Hawthorn		

ATTENDANCE

Week commencing:	First	Second	Third
10th November	Blue Oak 97.7%	Cedar 97.6%	Hawthorn 96%
17th November	Blue Oak 97.66%	Cedar 97.62%	Hawthorn 97.02%