



Oakmere Primary School
Tall Oaks from Little Acorns Grow

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Headteacher's Message

Dear parents/carers,

I am sure you have all seen my email with regards to OFSTED report where we have moved from Requires Improvement to Good.

There are so many areas that came out positively from behaviour to SEND. This is a testament to all the staff who have worked tirelessly to provide a good education for all Oakmere children. One area of significant praise was in personal development where we were praised for all the varied and interesting opportunities we provide here at Oakmere, from the trips to special days such as activity day and the mini marathon.

Yesterday we had a very successful International Day. It was wonderful to see so many children dressed in their national dress or colours of their national flag. The after school food tasting event was also very well received and I would like to say a big thank you to the families who offered food from Bangladesh, India, Turkey, Ghana, Nigeria and China.

I hope you have a restful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wilson
Headteacher



CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT - Poplar Class

Poplar Class have enjoyed learning about Ukraine for our International Day. We have found out about the capital city, Kyiv, and a traditional rural village and we wrote an acrostic poem showing everything we have learnt. Our favourite part of the day was learning some words and phrases in Ukrainian and writing our names in the Cyrillic alphabet.

Children looked fantastic dressed in their country's flag colours and traditional clothing.



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How can you help children with their body confidence?

We get asked that question a lot during our free healthy lifestyle programme, Bezee Families. And because we work with so many families like yours, we understand the challenges of body positivity. So, as a parent or carer, what can you do to help?

- **Become a role model** – look in the mirror with your child and say three positive things about your bodies.
- **Health matters** – promote nutrition, exercise and good sleep.
- **Celebrate diversity** – teach your children about different body types, abilities and cultures.
- **Personal qualities** – value kindness, intelligence and creativity.

- **Express themselves** – encourage your children to use art, music, sport or play for self-expression.
- **Misleading media** – help your children see beyond unrealistic images of body and beauty.

Want more free health and wellbeing tips?
Check out our website to find out more:

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DSPL6 & Hertsme Schools' Partnership SEND Parent Information & Support Group

Are you the parent / carer of a child / young person with SEND?

Come along to our monthly parent / carer support groups in Potters Bar and Borehamwood. Each session consists of an informal chat with other parents/carers and the chance to listen to an experienced speaker on topics that may affect your child and family. We run the groups in 2 locations – please feel free to attend either or both.

Our next meeting will be in Potters Bar

Thursday 14th November 2024

Elm Court, 363 Mutton Lane, Potters Bar, EN6 3BP

9.15am – 10.45am

Please join us for coffee and a chat!

Please email SendHSP@mountgrace.herts.sch.uk for more information and to register your interest – but no need to book in advance – feel free to just turn up on the day. Refreshments will be provided.

NOVEMBER 2024 ACTIVITIES

BOOKINGS:
www.potentialkids.org.uk/events

Date	Sessions	Time
7th Thu	Bushora@97EM Home Ed Groups for 4-10 yrs 10+ yrs	10:00 - 11:30 11:45 - 13:15
7th Thu	Trampoline 5+ yrs	17:20-18:30
8th Fri	Welcome Space Community Drop-In	10:00-12:30
8th Fri	**NEW** Therapeutic Gardening Home Ed Group 5+ yrs	12:30-14:00
8th Fri	Youth Group 14+	18:30-20:30
9th Sat	FREE Family Football - Drop in	16:00-17:00
10th Sun	15 Therapeutic Riding	See website
16th Thu	Bushora@97EM Home Ed Groups for 4-10 yrs 10+ yrs	10:00 - 11:30 11:45 - 13:15
16th Thu	Welcome Space Community Drop-In	10:00-12:30
16th Fri	**NEW** Therapeutic Gardening Home Ed Group 6+ yrs	12:30-14:00
16th Sat	**NEW** Basketball 7+ yrs	16:00-17:00
17th Sun	15 Therapeutic Riding	See Website
19th Tue	**NEW** Roller Skating 8+ yrs	18:00 - 19:30
21st Thu	Bushora@97EM Home Ed Groups for 4-10 yrs 10+ yrs	10:00 - 11:30 11:45 - 13:15
21st Thu	Trampoline 5+ yrs	17:20-18:30
22nd Fri	**NEW** Youth Group 15-16 yrs	18:00-20:00
22nd Fri	Welcome Space Community Drop-In	10:00-12:30
22nd Fri	**NEW** Therapeutic Gardening Home Ed Group 8+ yrs	12:30-14:00
28th Thu	Bushora@97EM Home Ed Groups for 4-10 yrs 10+ yrs	10:00 - 11:30 11:45 - 13:15
30th Sat	Roller Skating 7+ yrs	16:00-17:00

POTENTIAL KIDS

Communication, Learning & Social Support for everyone through our inclusive programmes

PK Hub & Garden

TUTORING

Neurodivergent PA TECH TEAM

Therapeutic Gardening 11 & Group Sessions. Volunteers Needed

Contact us for details of our PK offer:

Tutoring
Teaching
Mentoring
Therapeutic 11 & Group Work
Alternative provision
107318
DoE

For further information on any of our Activities or Educational Services please email us at info@potentialkids.org

INTERNATIONAL DAY 14th NOVEMBER 2024



CHILDREN IN NEED DAY 15th NOVEMBER 2024



Role Model Badges 2024

Name	Class	Name	Class
Harry B	Cedar	Peyton	Cedar
Daisy L	Cedar	Georgia	Cedar
Evelina	Cedar	Aradhya J	Chestnut

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House Point Results - Autumn Term 2024



Week	Marie Curie	JK Rowling	Pablo Picasso	Mo Farrah
Week 1	1327	1114	1121	1052
Week 2	1382	709	1068	1060
Week 3				
Week 4				
Week 5				
Week 6				
Week 7				
Overall this term	9609	7950	8432	8299

Star of the Week –25/10/24 /8/11/24

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Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Aarya	Willow	Whole Class	Blue Oak	Deniz	Chestnut
Olivia	Poplar	Amarra	Red Oak	Evelina	Cedar
Nevaeh	Sycamore	Luna	Birch	Yoana	Blue Oak
Aradhya J	Chestnut	Lacey Mae	Poplar	Gabrielle	Red Oak

ATTENDANCE

commencing:	First	Second	Third
21/10/2024 - 25/10/2024	Cedar 98%	Chestnut 97%	Willow 96%
04/11/2024 - 08/11/2024	Cedar 99%	Acorn 98%	Red Oak/ Poplar 97%