



Oakmere Primary School
Tall Oaks from Little Acorns Grow



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Headteacher's Message

We are coming to the end of the first half term and I am pleased to say that staff and pupils have settled well into the first half term of the year.

Our first class assembly for the year starts with Red Oak on the 1st November, with Healthy Eating Workshops also planned next half term.

We have the book fair in school from the 27th November and all the Christmas festivities begin from the 4th December with our inhouse Christmas Pantomime Cinderella.

I hope you all have a wonderful half term break.

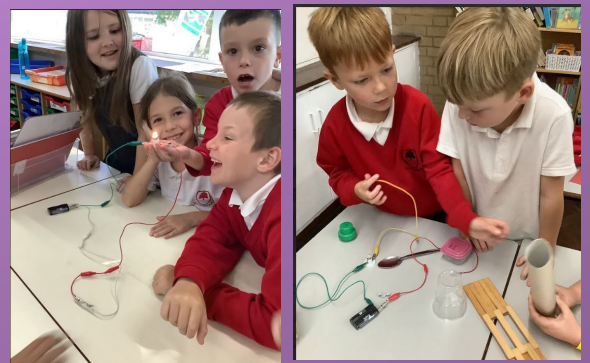


CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT— POPLAR CLASS



In Poplar class we have been learning about the Roman Empire. We have found out about the story of Romulus and Remus and how the city of Rome was said to be founded. We have learnt about what life was like in Iron Age England when the Romans arrived and how strong the Roman army was. We looked at the designs of their shields and painted our own shields.

In Science we have been learning about Electricity. We used wires, bulbs, crocodile clips and buzzers to make circuits. We looked at conductors and insulators and tested our predictions about which materials would complete a circuit to light the bulb.



The Jewish Harvest Festival of Sukkot

The children in Year 5 have been learning about the Jewish Harvest Festival of Sukkot. They prepared the fruit and vegetables and had the opportunity of tasting the traditional Harvest colourful salad. The ingredients included red cabbage, mushrooms, olives, tomatoes, yellow peppers and Persian cucumbers. This was dressed with a salad dressing of olive oil, sea salt and freshly squeezed lemon. Most of the children found this very tasty.



How to Stay Safe Online

In school we educate children on how to stay safe online. It is also helpful for parents to be involved in these conversations at home. We plan to hold parent meetings in the Spring term to work with you in this area. In the meantime you can find some useful information in the link below:

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>



Mrs Gadhvi and Miss Morriss be holding an online safety workshop for all parents on Tuesday 7th November from 3:45-4:30pm.



NO PARKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS

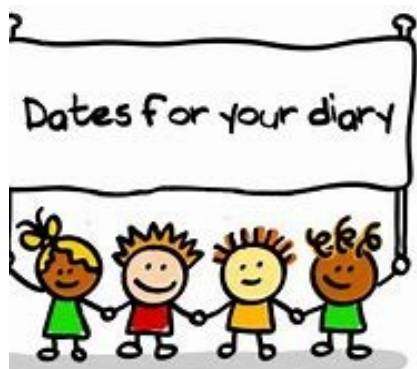
Parents and Carers must not drive onto school grounds. This is to ensure the safety of the children and adults on site. The main school gate will be closed between 7.30am to 5pm.

Parents can park in the visitor car park which is off Featherstone Close.

Role Model Badges October 2023

Name	Class	Name	Class
Caleb	Willow	Holly	Cedar
Kit	Birch	Lyra	Cedar
Angele	Birch	Illyanna	Cedar
Eveline	Birch	Louis	Blue Oak
Oliva	Hazel	Zaneta	Blue Oak
Joseph	Sycamore	Shana	Blue Oak
Isabella	Chestnut	Yara	Red Oak
Daisy	Chestnut	Cassius	Red Oak
		Amelia	Red Oak

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- Monday 23rd to Friday 27th October—HALF TERM
 - Monday 30th October—INSET DAY (School CLOSED)
 - Wednesday 1st November—Red Oak Class Assembly
 - Tuesday 7th November—Parents' Online Safety Workshop
 - Wednesday 8th November—Blue Oak Class Assembly
- For term dates see our website—www.oakmere.herts.sch.uk

House Point Results—Autumn Term (1) 2023



Week	Marie Curie	JK Rowling	Pablo Picasso	Mo Farrah
Week 1	571	541	635	669
Week 2	909	816	923	881
Week 3	284	218	280	281
Week 4	869	761	860	937
Week 5	984	954	1143	1157
Week 6	702	694	7689	799
Overall this term	4319	3984	4609	4724

Star of the Week—6th & 13th October 2023

Name	Class	Name	Class	Name	Class
Demari	Beech	Georgie	Poplar	Eisa	Hawthorn
Caleb	Willow	Latanzea	Poplar	Madhav	Cedar
Adllin	Willow	Dominic	Sycamore	Yoana	Cedar
Eveline	Birch	Ava	Sycamore	Amelia	Blue Oak
Tatiana	Birch	Vivienne-Ivy	Chestnut	Nefeesa	Blue Oak
Midhu	Hazel	Amy	Chestnut	Rosie	Red Oak
Olivia	Hazel	Angel	Hawthorn	Shubang	Red Oak

ATTENDANCE

Week commencing:	First	Second	Third
2nd October 2023	Cedar 97%	Chestnut 96.5%	Beech 96%
9th October 2023	Cedar 95%	Chestnut & Birch 94%	Hazel 93%
16th October 2023	Cedar 97.35%	Blue Oak 97.22%	Red Oak 95.83%