

Friday 24th November 2017

From the Principal

Time seems to be passing by at a rapid rate but that may be because we are so busy at Oaks Primary Academy. Here is a little taster of what has taken place since the last newsletter: we got through to the finals of the basketball (taking place on 29th November), got all the way through to the semi-finals of the Maidstone Schools Football Festival and won both of our games so far in the netball league. Year 5 have experienced life as a pupil in Victorian times, something I don't think they wish to repeat in a hurry! Year 1 learned how to do magic tricks with Merli the Magician (but they won't tell anyone else). Parents joined their children as they painted Canopic jars in Year 3. Magistrates worked with Year 6 to understand the systems of justice and the school council visited Maidstone Borough Council chambers holding a school council meeting there observed by the local councillors. Finally, last but not least, your continuing generosity in support of our charity fundraising means that we raised £219.60 for Children in Need. Thank you very much.

Have a safe and happy weekend.

Mrs Jane Tipple

We have joined Twitter...

Oaks Primary Academy has joined Twitter to keep you updated daily regularly with posts and photos of what we are getting up to in school.
Follow us @lat_oaksprimary

Notices

Trainer Day – Friday 1st December

To help raise funds for the Christmas Fayre pupils can wear their trainers in exchange for £1.00 or a prize for the tombola i.e packs of sweets, chocolate, biscuits.

Christmas Panto Trip – by Friday 8th December

Please return the consent form and payment of £10.00 for the Christmas Panto by Friday 8th December. Copies of the consent form are available from the office.

Please ensure you make a note of the Key dates for the upcoming Christmas celebrations which your child may be participating in!

Friday 24th November 2017

Attendance Target 96%

School Average: 93.9%

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| Robin Class: | 95.2% |
| Sparrow Class: | 87.8% |
| Blackbird Class: | 92.9% |
| Woodpecker Class: | 94.0% |
| Blue Jay Class: | 95.6% |
| Kingfisher Class: | 95.8% |
| Chaffinch Class: | 95.9% |

Well done again to Chaffinch Class!



Stars of the Week – Friday 24th November

Our values are to be: Inspirational, Imaginative, Collaborative, Ambitious, Compassionate, Enthusiastic, Enquiring and Pioneering.

Robin Class:

Imini for being a fantastic member of Robin Class and always encompassing the school values in everything you do!

Inspirational, Imaginative, Collaborative, Ambitious, Compassionate, Enthusiastic, Enquiring and Pioneering.

Sparrow Class:

Jesse for his enthusiastic approach to always want to do his best.

Enthusiastic

Blackbird Class:

Maisy has led the way in writing this week and wowed us with her letter to Christopher Columbus.

Pioneering

Woodpecker Class:

Peaches for leading the team when planning a story.

Collaborative

Blue Jay Class:

Alice for creating a fun and imaginative way of learning how to remember how many days there are in each month.

Imaginative

Kingfisher Class:

Casey for her independent research into our Victorian Topic.

Enquiring

Chaffinch Class:

Tyrone for his fantastic all round high standard of work.

Ambitious

Friday 17th November 2017

Attendance Target 96%
School Average: 97.2%

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| Robin Class: | 96.3% |
| Sparrow Class: | 98.9% |
| Blackbird Class: | 97.1% |
| Woodpecker Class: | 97.1% |
| Blue Jay Class: | 94.4% |
| Kingfisher Class: | 97.7% |
| Chaffinch Class: | 98.9% |

Well done to Sparrow and Chaffinch Class!



Stars of the Week – Friday 17th November

Our values are to be: **Inspirational**, **Imaginative**, **Collaborative**, **Ambitious**, **Compassionate**, **Enthusiastic**, **Enquiring** and **Pioneering**.

Robin Class

Tommy-Ray for being ambitious in his Maths and using his initiative to solve problems.

Ambitious

Sparrow Class

Fearne has been enquiring about her learning and always wants to know more or have another go.

Enquiring

Blackbird Class

Luna has led the way this week in English using conjunctives to begin sentences and commas in a list.

Pioneering

Woodpecker Class

Finnley for working hard in all subjects.

Enthusiastic

Bluejay Class

Ronnie for excellent collaborative skills in Maths when solving tricky word problems.

Collaborative

Kingfisher Class

Kobi for leading the way in her descriptive writing.

Pioneering

Brain Builders

We are delighted to see the following pupils nominated for the Brain Builders of the week.

Nominations:

Year R – Tilly & Lewie

Year 1 - Fearne

Year 3 – Oliver/Oliver

Year 5 – Casey

Key dates Term 2

Friday 1st December – Whole School
Wear-your-trainers-day (see notices)

Monday 4th December – Whole school
Deadline for returning raffle tickets

Friday 8th December - 1:00pm-4:00pm - Friends of
Oaks Xmas School Fayre

Friday 15th December – Nursery & Reception
10:30am – 11:30am
Christmas Nativity – The Innkeeper’s Breakfast
Christmas Disco – 3:15pm – 6:00pm
Nursery’s Last day

Monday 18th December – Year 1 & 2
2:00pm – 3:00pm
Christmas Performance – Sing-up Nativity

Tuesday 19th December – Whole School
10:00am – 12:30pm
Christmas Pantomime at Maidstone Studios
Years 3-6 – Christmas Carol Service
2:00pm – 3:00pm & 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Wednesday 20th December – Whole School
10:00am – 11:00am
Christingle Service at St Martin’s Church

Wednesday 20th December – Whole School
EARLY FINISH – PUPILS COLLECTED AT 1:30PM

Holiday dates 2017/18

Christmas Holiday
Thursday 21st December 2017 – 3rd January 2018

Inset Day – Friday 9th February 2018

Half Term
Monday 12th February 2018 – Friday 16th
February 2018

Easter Holiday
Friday 30th March 2018 – Friday 13th April 2018

Bank Holiday
Monday 7th May 2018 – Bank holiday Monday

Whitsun Holiday
Monday 28th May 2018 – Bank holiday
Tuesday 29th May 2018 – Friday 31st May 2018