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STARS OF THE WEEK

Robins

Bella-Rose: For displaying **all values** throughout the week. She has been very busy cooking, playing doctors, making a bird costume, being a magician and helping others.

Sienna and Gracie-Rae D: For working together and creating a story about Elsa and Ana. They made their own character costumes, the setting and told the story together. **Collaborative.**

Sparrows

Rhys: For being **ambitious** in his learning.

Hope: For being **ambitious** with her learning.

Blackbirds

Edward: **Inspirational** worker with his writing.

Ellie-May: **Enthusiastic** in her wonderful story writing and belief in herself.

Woodpeckers

Bronte and Caelan: For leading the way with peer conferencing in Year 3 checking through their written work. **Collaborative.**

Phoenix: For leading the way when creating balanced meals and healthy vegetable stews. **Pioneering.**

Blue Jays

Blue Jay Class: **Ambitious, Collaborative, Inspirational, Enthusiastic.** For going out into the community and promoting the Mason Mile Community event so enthusiastically.

Dallas: For showing pure determination in every lesson this week. **Ambitious.**

Kingfishers

Olivia, Madison and Ruby: For their **collaboration** in writing the script for the Sky studio visit!

Zafrul: For both **ambition** (using ambitious language in his persuasive letter writing) and **compassion** (for helping others in the classroom).

Chaffinches

Emma-Lea: For showing a growth mindset and positive attitude towards her swimming. **Enthusiasm.**

Mollie: For **collaboration** and her outstanding conferencing during the Parent Open Morning.

Parent Open Morning

Thank you to all the parents who were able to make our first open morning on Wednesday this week. There was a huge turnout and a real buzz in the air as parents were able to observe, take part or support their children in their learning!



ATTENDANCE

Week 4

1st Chaffinches 100%

2nd Blackbirds 98.8%

3rd Woodpeckers 97.3%

Week 5

1st Woodpeckers 98.2%

2nd Blue Jays 96.1%

3rd Chaffinches 95.6%

Just a reminder, if your child is not at school to phone the office by 9am. Please leave a message if we are unable to answer. This needs to be done each day your child is absent.

Doctors and dentist appointments need to be arranged outside of school hours unless an emergency.



KEY DATES AND EVENTS

Friday 5th October

Bookfair arrives

Tuesday 9th October

Y1-4 Fables Project Workshops

Wednesday 10th October

Open Day– Reception 2019 9-10am

Friday 12th October

Y3 visit from Kent Police

LAT Fitness Day– PE or sports kits can be worn

Tuesday 16th October

Open Day– Reception 2019 2-3pm

Wednesday 17th October

Silly Hair Day (FoO fundraiser)

Parent Consultations 3-5pm

Thursday 18th October

Parent Consultations 1:30-4pm

Open Day– Reception 2019 4:30-5:30pm

Friday 19th October

Last day of Term 1

Harvest Festival at Grace Community Church **10am YR-2 and 10:45am Y3-6**
Parents are welcome to attend.

Our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon raised a fantastic **£270.**

Many thanks to all the parents, children and staff who supported the event.



NO BIKES



NO SKATES



NO SCOOTERS

REMINDERS

Bikes and Scooters: **No bikes or scooters** to be ridden on the school site. We have noticed that there are still a number of children riding bikes on site. Please remind your child to come off their bike or scooter when they enter the school grounds. The school playground can be extremely busy. Please also ask your child to remember their helmet and bicycle lock.

Rubbish: Please help keep our school tidy by placing any rubbish in the bins provided.

Before and after school: Children are your responsibility (and expected to be following the Academy rules) until they enter via the hall doors and from the moment you have collected your child from the teacher at the end of the day.

Medical/allergy/dietary requirements: If your child has any existing or new allergies/dietary requirements please inform the class teacher so the school can ensure it takes appropriate measures to facilitate this.

Beginning of the day: Please send your child with **everything** they need for the day at the beginning of the day. There are lots of parents who pop in after the gate closes with lunch boxes, tuck shop money, forms/letters and water bottles. Delivering these items to children is extremely time consuming and disruptive to lessons.

Enquiries: If you have any queries please talk to your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Secondary School Applications

Online applications for secondary school admissions opened on the 3rd September and the national closing date for all secondary school applications is midnight on the 31 October 2018. You can apply for up to 4 schools, putting them in order of preference. **It's in your best interest to list 4 schools.** Naming only one school does not guarantee your child a place at that school or give your child priority for a place over another child, neither does naming a school more than once. For advice call **03000 41 21 21** or email kentonlineadmissions@kent.gov.uk. You can also find lots of information on the following link: <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/schoolplaces/secondary-school-places>

Please ensure you look regularly at the school website: **www.oaksprimaryacademy.org.uk** and Twitter **@lat_oaksprimary** where you can find out more about what goes on in school, class information, copies of letters and newsletters and much more. Please look regularly at the Parent Calendar as this will be updated frequently.

Philosophy Question:

Is it ever right to tell a lie?