

# Oaks Primary Academy

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Friday 19th October  
Issue 3

## STARS OF THE WEEK

### Robins

**Summer:** For her fantastic, very detailed self portrait. **Ambitious.**

**Layla:** For being an **inspiration** to the rest of the class. She has tried her very best in all areas of learning this week.

### Sparrows

**Zoe:** For being **compassionate** to all members of the class, especially during conferencing.

**Jake:** For being **ambitious** with his learning.

### Blackbirds

**Chetanna:** For wonderful demonstrating to other pupils how to construct a bar chart. **Collaboration.**

**Bobby: Pioneering** - leading the way in his approach to editing his work, showing others what resources they need to choose to help them improve their work.

### Woodpeckers

**Jessica:** For being so **enthusiastic** about her learning this year and contributing to class discussions with interesting ideas.

**Shayaan:** For working really hard all term and trying new fruits and vegetables with great **enthusiasm.**

### Blue Jays

**Lewis:** For being determined to complete a poem when he found it tricky. **Ambitious.**

**Joey:** For showing true **enthusiasm** in all aspects of his learning and encouraging others to improve their work.

### Kingfishers

**Jacob:** For excellent **collaboration** and conferencing in Reading Comprehension.

**Michael:** For always working hard and **inspiring** others to be the best they can be.

### Chaffinches

**Layla-Mae:** For her preparation of questions to interview Charles Darwin and fantastic approach to her learning! **Enquiring.**

**Chloe:** For her fantastic approach to life saving skills during swimming, leading the way with great maturity. **Enthusiastic.**

## Ofsted

On Tuesday, we were inspected by Ofsted. It was a section 8 inspection and, whilst we cannot share the outcomes yet, we would like to thank pupils and parents and carers for their support and excellent feedback on this day. You know how proud we are of your children and the Inspector enjoyed meeting and talking with them.

## ATTENDANCE

### Week 6

1st Blackbirds 98.0%

2nd Chaffinches 97.0%

3rd Woodpeckers 95.9%

### Week 7

1st Chaffinches 98.1%

2nd Blackbirds 97.6%

3rd Blue Jays 94.3%

The school gates open at 8:45am and the children can enter the school from 8:50am. The door remains open till 9am. After this time the children need to be taken to the office and signed in. After 9am your child(ren) will receive a late mark in the register.



## KEY DATES AND EVENTS

### Friday 19th October

Last day of Term 1 – Have a lovely HALF TERM break!!

### Monday 5th November

Return to school

**Clubs continue this week**

### Tuesday 6th November

Y1-4 Sports Hall Athletics

### Wednesday 7th November

Y5 and 6 Sports Hall Athletics

**2:30pm Remembrance Poppy Making with parents**

### Thursday 8th November

YR - Y5 Nasal spray flu immunisation

### Friday 9th November

10:40am Remembrance Day Service

2pm FOO Meeting

### Thursday 15th November

9-10am E-safety workshop for parents

### Friday 16th November

**Children in Need**

Y6 Magistrates visit



Thank you to all of the friends and families who were able to attend our Harvest Festival services today. It was lovely to see so many of you in attendance. Grace Community Church was literally bursting at the seams. Thanks also for the donations, these will be donated to MADM a Maidstone based charity for the homeless.

### Half Term

Just a reminder that Half Term is from Monday 22nd October till Friday 2nd November. The children return to school on Monday 5th November.

Have a lovely break!



## REMINDERS

**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.

**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](mailto: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>

## PARKING - POLITE NOTICE TO PARENTS

We would like to remind all parents to the school that to ensure safety and wellbeing of everyone on the school site and surrounding community could you:

Please be respectful to local residents when picking up or dropping off pupils and please do not park across residents' driveways. Please park in a safe place when collecting or dropping off pupils.

### Philosophy Question:

**How do you know you are not dreaming right now?**