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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

& NURSERY UNIT

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Monday 14 October 2024



Oakfield School Council 2024-2025

Following a very successful school council campaign, our brand new members of Oakfield School Council 2024-2025 have been elected.

They will represent all our pupils to help us to make decisions about how our school is run and take on projects that support the children's learning and development, such as organising charity events and representing Oakfield PS & NU at outside events. They have some amazing ideas already!

ASDA – CASHPOT FOR SCHOOLS

Parentkind – a charity that supports schools - have teamed up with Asda, who is making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' initiative. To support our school, all you have to do is opt-in through the Asda Rewards app, shop and scan in store or shop online at Asda.com.

Between 2nd September and 30th November 2024 – every time you shop with Asda using your Asda Rewards app, Asda will donate 0.5% of the value of your shop to your chosen Primary school. Also, every time somebody opts-in to support our Primary school, Asda will give an additional £1 to the school Cashpot. Plus, it doesn't stop there – Asda are also giving £50 to every school to get them started.

The supermarket has joined forces with Joe Wicks to support the initiative – look out for the TV advert, radio ads and social media coverage!

It's as easy as 1,2,3

1. Download the Asda Rewards app, register and opt-in to Cashpot for Schools (make sure you have the latest version of the app installed)
2. Choose our Primary School – either searching by name or postcode
3. Shop instore across Asda and George, or online at Asda.com and start filling your Cashpot as you shop

Asda does the rest, all money raised will be donated to schools to spend on the things they need the most. Remember, anyone can sign up – so start spreading the news and raising funds for Oakfield PS & NU.

This initiative is on top of the existing Asda Rewards benefits you get as a shopper – so you won't lose out on any of your own earnings or Cashpot, so everyone is a winner!

For more details, visit <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools>



Harvest Thanksgiving Appeal 2024

We have again liaised with the Carrickfergus Foodbank (CFB) and are proud to have supported this vital cause as part of our Harvest Thanksgiving Appeal 2024. All donated items will be collected by Carrickfergus Foodbank following our Harvest Assembly on **Wednesday 16 October 2024**.

We wish to express our thanks to everyone for your continued parental support and generosity at this time.

Parent/teacher Interviews

We are looking forward to conducting our first set of parent/teacher interviews for this academic year. All parents were notified of their interview times on Thursday 10 October 2024.

All pupils will finish at **1pm** from **Monday 21 – Friday 25 October 2024** to facilitate these arrangements. We hope you find these interviews useful and informative.

Flu vaccination information

P1 – P7 children have now returned their replies from the Northern Health and Social Care Trust about the upcoming flu vaccinations. Our school nurses will complete the P1-P7 flu vaccinations on the morning of

Wednesday 23 October 2024.

Autumn half term holiday

Oakfield Primary School & Nursery Unit will be closed from **Monday 28 October until Friday 1 November 2024** for Autumn half-term and will re-open on **Monday 4 November 2024 @** normal times. We wish you all a safe and enjoyable half term break.

Oakfield Board of Governors 2024-2028 – Parent Representatives

Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit Parents

You are invited to participate in the election of parent governor(s) to the Board of Governors of the above-named school. A ballot will also be held, if required, to elect the parent governor(s). There are two spaces allocated on the school governors for parent representatives at Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit. The Board of Governors is the body responsible for various aspects of the management of the school. To help you participate in this process you may also find it helpful to refer to the School Governance tab on the EA website which provides information on the roles and responsibilities of school governors. A further useful source of information is the booklet, 'Becoming a School Governor' which can also be accessed via the EA website at <https://www.eani.org.uk/school-governance/apply-to-become-a-school-governor>

Important information about becoming a parent governor has been sent home with each child today.

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal

Each year in school we support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. From Wednesday 23 October 2024 there will be a selection of items on sale. We will have rubbers, sharpeners, rulers, pencils and zip tags for 50p. Keyrings, slapbands, wrist bands and luggage ribbons will be £1. Some of our pupils will visit classes each day with the items.



Miss L Gilmour
Designated
Teacher



Mrs J Barrow
Deputy Designated
Teacher (Primary)



Mrs K Wylie
Deputy Designated
Teacher (Nursery)



Mrs D Boyd
Principal



Mr P Jones
Board of Governors
Chairperson



Mrs L Soeters
Designated
Governor

School Information for Parents : Oakfield Safeguarding & Child Protection Team