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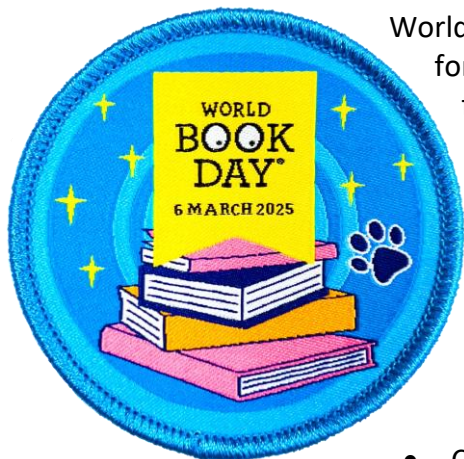
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Monday 24 February 2025

WORLD BOOK DAY 2025



World Book Day is a super celebration of books and reading and we are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 6 March 2025. Our focus for World Book Day is talking about books and characters that we enjoy. Children will be participating in lots of fun activities during the week, including:

- Dress up day - Children from Nursery-Primary 7 should come to school dressed as a character from their favourite book. If possible, they should be able to bring their book with them and explain why they have chosen it. We appreciate that costumes can be expensive, so get creative and use items that you already have at home!
- Competition - Design a new front cover for your favourite book. Children will all complete this challenge in their own classrooms during the week leading up to World Book Day. You may wish to have a chat at home about their favourite book and discuss some ideas of what they might draw. The most creative ideas from each class will receive a prize (kindly donated by our school PTFA).
- Visit from a local author – on Friday 7th March, local author Kaana McKenzie (author of Annie the Alpaca who had too much wool, Anyone for tea under the teapot tree? and The Cat and the Gecko) will visit all Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 classes to read one of her stories. Books will also be available to purchase on the day, more details to follow.
- Accelerated Reader Presentation – Key Stage 2 children have been very busy quizzing on their Accelerated Reader Books over the last few months. We want to recognise the hard work and effort that they have all put in to read these challenging books! So all children who took part in quizzes will receive a certificate showing how many AR points they gained in Term 1. Points are based on the total number of words read with 1 point equalling 1 word. The highest score during Term 1 was a massive 519,710 points!! Can you beat this in Term 2?
- Scholastic Book Club Magazine has now gone paperless and can be viewed online at <https://shop.scholastic.co.uk/catalogues>. Children will all receive a £1 off book token which can be redeemed against any purchase. We are also paperless, so when you are ready to place your order go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/oakfield-bt38/digital-book-club> to order online. When you order through the school site, books are delivered to school and you will not be charged additional postage and packaging. Another perk is that for every £1 you spend, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards towards much needed new books for our school library. Please place your order online by 21 March 2025.

Many thanks to Mrs Barrow, our Language and Literacy Co-ordinator, for organising this event for us all.

School photographer

We are pleased that Mr Mark Barnes, photographer and parent, will join us on **Monday 10 March 2025** to take individual pupil photographs for all our pupils. Mark has also kindly agreed to taking family groups from within our whole school from Nursery to P7, if requested. A note will be sent home with your child next week to be filled in and returned to the class teacher by Monday 3 March 2025 detailing your photograph requests.

P1 and P7 class photos will also be taken on Monday 10 March 2025.

All pupils should therefore wear full school uniform on Monday 10 March 2025.



Term 2 Holiday List

Oakfield Primary School & Nursery Unit will be closed on the following dates during Term 2.

- St Patrick's Day Holiday 2025 - Monday 17th March 2025
- Easter Holidays 2025 - Wednesday 16th April 2025 – Friday 25th April 2025



PTFA Meeting

The next meeting for the Oakfield Parents, Teachers and Friends Association will be on **Wednesday 12 March 2025 at 6.30pm**. We look forward to seeing you there.



Miss L Gilmour
Designated
Teacher



Mrs J Barrow
Deputy Designated
Teacher (Primary)



Mrs K Wylie
Deputy Designated
Teacher (Nursery)



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School Information for Parents : Oakfield Safeguarding & Child Protection Team