



Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back! It has been fantastic to welcome our new year 3 pupils to Oakfield and hear all about each other's Summer holiday experiences.

We have been impressed with how quickly and well the vast majority of our pupils have settled into their new year groups. The atmosphere in classrooms is positive and focussed. Thank you to those parents who attended the welcome meetings. The PowerPoints and topic webs outlining expectations for the Autumn term have been emailed out and are available on our website under 'Our Learning' [Oakfield website link](#)

Your child will now have their own school planner. These form just one of our communication routes, teachers also respond to emails however please note that if an urgent message needs to be shared with the teacher it is best to contact the school office.

It has been fantastic to see so many pupils who have signed up for various clubs. A heartfelt thank you to those staff members who have kindly volunteered to lead these.

In assembly we have been reminding pupils of our whole school aim: For all learners to have **courage** to embrace new experiences with **confidence**; work **co-operatively**, whilst respecting and **caring** for others; be **curious** about the whole world and enjoy learning for life. We have been discussing what the right conditions for growth and learning are and how we can create this climate in school by working hard and doing our best as well as by being kind, caring and considerate towards one another. In our most recent assembly we discussed how important it was for everyone to feel listened to and reminded ourselves that everyone is important and can make a difference to school life.

We look forward to working in close partnership with you this year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Debbie Willemse

*The journey of life
is not meant to be
feared and planned;
it is meant to be
travelled and enjoyed.*

Oakfield Junior School

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Head Teacher:

Our new year 3 pupils are settling in beautifully. We have been learning how to play dodgeball in PE. So far, the year 3 children have been practicing their throwing skills and working in teams to play games focusing on accuracy.



In maths we have been looking at number lines and ordering numbers. We have been using counting in 2's, 5's and 10's to help us with more challenging number lines.



This term Year 4 are reading the novel
'How to train your dragon' by Cressida Cowell.

We have made instruction leaflets to explain how to train a dragon
which include a title, an introduction, what you will need, numbered steps
and helpful illustrations!



Year 6 are working on a science topic called 'evolution and inheritance'. They have explored variation across different species, comparing Dalmation and Retriever dog breeds, and took on a role as a dog breeder to create offspring with specific characteristics. Lots of curiosity on display in our lessons!



Young Leaders

The role of House Captain is one of privilege, pride and responsibility. More than just a title and badge, the role requires dedication and commitment for an entire term.



Our Autumn 2023 House Captains are:

Griffins: Daniel W and Violet M

Unicorns: Freya W and Leo K

Dragons: Simon K and Ellysia-Mae C

Our School Council gives the children an opportunity to have their voices heard and feel part of the school community. To be a council member, you need to have certain skills such as being a good-listener, being unprejudiced and being a good role model. The following have been elected as our school council members this term:

Year 3: Maxwell, Tallulah, Rowan and Amelia

Year 4: Jake, Alice, Finley and Ruben

Year 5: Sophie, Toby, Sam and Charlotte

Year 6: Daniel, Isla, Freya and Sam

LAN: Maisy and James



Health and safety in school

We welcome the support of parents in helping us ensure that pupils at Oakfield make informed and safe choices. Class teachers will be discussing the following issues with all our pupils and parents can support us by talking about the importance of these things at home.

Use of Toilets

In addition to practising and supervising hand washing with your child at home, please remind your child that they need to flush the toilet after every use and should only dispense enough toilet paper for their individual use. No food should be taken into or disposed of in the toilets.

If you know your child has toileting accidents please ensure you have discussed this with your child's class teacher or the office, please ensure they have spare clothes in their locker and a plastic bag to bring home wet clothes. We do keep a stock of spare clothes and underwear in the school office so please encourage your child to speak to a staff member or go to the school office if they have a toileting accident.

For girls there is a sanitary disposal bin in the furthest cubicle in the girls toilet block. There is also one in the creative cabin toilets. We keep a small quantity of spare sanitary items in the office, but please ensure your daughter has plenty of sanitary supplies plus clean underwear with them if needed.

Playground Safety

We have a lot of play equipment in the school grounds, which children are encouraged to use, under the supervision of staff. Please note that for health and safety reasons the climbing ropes on the lower playground and the outdoor gym equipment on the top playground are out of bounds to children of all ages at drop-off and pick up times. In addition, pupils are reminded not to climb up the concrete slope in front of the climbing ropes at any time.

Drop-Off and Pick Up

We encourage parents to drop off and pick up on foot wherever possible. If you do need to drive, please remember that there is no access to the staff car park for drop off or pick up at any time, unless by prior agreement due to a specific need (e.g. blue badge holders). Please drop off and pick up with consideration for other road users and pedestrians, taking great care where children will be crossing paths and roads on foot.

Calendar Dates 2023

September	Wednesday 20th	FRIENDS of Oakfield AGM, 7.30pm
	Friday 22nd	Cross Country event, KGV, 4pm
	Wednesday 27th	Y4 visit to Bignor Roman Villa
	Thursday 28th	School nurse immunisations, AM
October	Monday 9th	Feeling Good Week
	Friday 13th	Cross Country event, KGV, 4pm
	Monday 16th	Y4&Y6 Harvest Assembly (parents welcome) 2.20pm
	Tuesday 17th	Y3&Y5 Harvest Assembly (parents welcome) 2.20pm
	Wednesday 18th	Parent Consultations
	Thursday 19th	Parent Consultations
	Friday 20th	INSET Day (school closed)
	Mon 23-Fri 27th	HALF-TERM
November	Monday 6th	Y3 visit to Butser Ancient Farm
	Thur 9 & Fri 10th	Y3 'Feet First' walking training
	Mon 13-Fri 15th	Y6 Bikeability
	Tuesday 14th	4BK class assembly 9am, parents welcome
	Wednesday 15th	INSET Day (school closed)
	Wednesday 22nd	Y4 & LAN to Natural History Museum
	Tuesday 28th	5H Class Assembly, 9am
December	Friday 8th	Christmas Jumper Day (donation for Save the Children)
	Monday 11th	Christmas production dress rehearsal , 9.30am
		Christmas production 6.30pm
	Tuesday 12th	Christmas production 9.30am
	Wednesday 13th	Christmas production 6.30pm
	Thursday 14th	Christmas service at St Mary's Church
		Christmas lunch
	Friday 15th	End of term, school closes at 2pm

*Dates of further events will be added to the Oakfield website as soon as they are confirmed.
Full details of forthcoming events will be provided to parents in due course.
A full list of term dates and INSET days is available on the Oakfield website*

Calendar Dates 2024

January	Monday 2nd	Start of Spring Term
	Tuesday 16th	4H Class Assembly 9am, parents welcome
	Wednesday 17th	Choir Young Voices concert at O2 Arena
	Tuesday 23rd	6CK Class assembly 9am, parents welcome
	Monday 29th	Y5 & 6 Indoor Athletics competition, Ashcombe
	Tuesday 30th	6M Class Assembly 9am, parents welcome
February	Weds 7- Fri 9	Y4 to High Ashurst
	Mon 12-Fri 16	HALF TERM
	Wednesday 21st	Y6 Parent Consultations
	Friday 23rd	Cross Country event, KGV, 4pm
	Tuesday 27th	3MG Class Assembly, parents welcome
	Wednesday 28th	Y3-5 Parent Consultations LAN Panathlon challenge @Priory school
March	Monday 4th	INSET Day
	Friday 8th	Cross Country event, KGV, 4pm
	Tuesday 12th	Y3 Egyptian Workshops
	Thursday 28th	End of term, school closes at 2pm
	Fri 29-Fri 12	Easter Holiday
April	Monday 29th	Choir Music Festival at Dorking Halles, 4pm
May	Mon 13-Thu 16	Y6 KS2 SATs
	Wed 22-Fri 24	Y5 to Canterbury
	Mon 27-Fri 31	HALF TERM
June	Monday 3rd	INSET day
July	Monday 1st	Y4 to Nower Wood Nature Reserve
	Mon 1-Fri 5	Y6 to Swanage
	Friday 23rd	End of term, school closes at 2pm

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No internet?

If you don't have internet access at home, why not visit your local library? Just call **03456 009 009** to book a computer and you can use the internet for free.

To request a paper application form or for all other enquiries, you can call us on **0300 200 1004**.

surreycc.gov.uk/admissions



Important dates

1 September 2023

You can apply online for a school place.

20 October 2023

We suggest you submit your secondary application by this date as this is the Friday before the half term holiday.

31 October 2023

Closing date for secondary applications but we welcome early applications.

1 March 2024

Secondary outcomes will be sent by post or email. If you applied online, you will receive an email in the evening with the outcome and you can also view your school offer online. If you registered for **ParentComms**, you will also receive a notification with the outcome.

By 15 March 2024

You must confirm whether you wish to accept or decline the place you have been offered.

By 15 April 2024

For many schools, if you wish to appeal, you should submit it by this date so that it can be heard by 18 June 2024. Other schools may have different appeal deadlines.

Is your child in year 6?

If your child was born between 1 September 2012 and 31 August 2013 you will need to apply for a secondary school place by **31 October 2023**.

Apply online
apply on time by
31 October 2023



How do I apply?

- The quickest and easiest way to apply for a school place is online. Visit surreycc.gov.uk/admissions to access the application form and more information on the application process and admission arrangements for Surrey schools. It is important that you consider this information carefully when you make your application.
- You can start your online application any time from 1 September 2023 but you must have completed it by 31 October 2023. We would suggest you submit your application by **Friday 20 October 2023**, before the half-term holiday.
- You can download the app **ParentComms** to your mobile device to receive notifications about your application.
- Once you have submitted your application you will receive a confirmation email.
- On **1 March 2024** you will receive an email with the outcome of your application and, if you have registered for **ParentComms**, you will also receive a notification with the outcome.
- You will need to accept or decline your offer of a school place online by **15 March 2024**.

What else do I need to know?

- School open days will usually be held in September or October. Please check each school's website for the most up to date information about open days or evenings. You should contact schools directly if you'd like to arrange a visit.
- You can name up to six schools on your application form, in the order that you prefer them. Where possible the local authority will allocate a place at one of these schools.
- Schools will not know where you have ranked them on the application form so the order of your preferences does not disadvantage you.
- The local authority has a duty to provide a place for your child but it does not have to be at one of your preferred schools.
- If you have an older child already at the school, you must still apply for a younger child.
- If you have more than one child applying for a school place, you must make a separate application for each of them.
- If you live in Surrey you must apply to Surrey, even if the schools you list are outside Surrey.
- Some schools may need you to submit a supplementary information form in addition to the application form. Find out more about supplementary information forms at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions.
- If you are registered for council tax you must supply the name of the borough or district and the council tax account number for the property where your child normally lives. Otherwise you will be asked to provide evidence of where your child lives.
- When applying online you must make sure that you press **'submit'** at the end of your application and that you receive a confirmation email which sets out your preferences and confirms your application reference number.
- If you do not receive a confirmation email you should check your application to ensure its status has been changed to 'submitted'.
- If you write to us or submit information to support an application, remember to include your child's name, date of birth and application reference number (if you applied online).
- If your child has an education, health and care plan, there is a separate process and you will receive more information from your child's SEND Case Officer.



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Is your child starting school in September 2024?

If your child was born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020 you will need to apply for a school place. You can apply between **30 October 2023** and **15 January 2024**.

If you live in Surrey, you can find out all you need to know about school admissions and apply online at surreycc.gov.uk/admissions or you can call us on **0300 200 1004**.

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between
30 October 2023
and 15 January 2024





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Audio described performance 21st October at 3pm



BSL Interpreted performance 28th October at 3pm

We are grateful for the generous support of the Dorking Quaker Meeting and West Weald Area Quaker Meeting – without their support, this production would not have been possible. This project is also part-funded by the Syliva Waddilove Foundation and by Mole Valley District Council, using money provided by the UK government through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.



Directed by Darren Cheek, written by Tony Earnshaw and designed by Chris de Wilde. Produced by Damn Cheek Productions in association with Nower Productions and Dorking Quaker Meeting.



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