



Dear Parents and Families,

As we move to the final half term of the year, teachers are busy organising trips, preparing for sports day, writing reports and preparing the children for next year. As the weather warms up please remember to apply sun lotion and send children in with a hat and a bottle of water.

Staffing update:

At the start of next half term Mrs Pellegrini, one of our Family Support Workers, will sadly be leaving us to begin training to become a teacher. We would like to thank her for all of her hard work and are sure you will join us in wishing her the very best for the future.

If you need support from our safeguarding team please do contact Mrs Waring, Miss Mouzer or ask for any member of staff with a yellow lanyard.

Secondary Transfer Test – 11 plus:

Thank you to all current Y5 parents who attended the 11 plus meeting on Wednesday. If you were not able to attend the PowerPoint has been added to our website. If you do not wish your child to take the test in September then please email office@oakgreen.buck.sch.uk

School Fete:

A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our school fete. It started with tombola donations from you all! Thank you to those who attended on the day – our third year of dry weather! It was a fantastic day which we hope you all enjoyed. We raised just over £1000 on the day.

We would like to thank Mrs Waring and the Family Support team who organised this event – it takes a lot of hard work to put this all together for the local community. Seeing you all enjoying the day makes it all worthwhile.

Spotlight on safeguarding:

Please can we ask that you do not prop open the pedestrian gate when you come into school as this could create a safeguarding issue.

Thank you to all Y5 and 6 parents who have supported us with ensuring children have their phones switched off on school property.

Diary dates:

22nd May – INSET day (School closed to pupils)
 1st June – Return to school
 1st June – Y4 multiplication check begins
 4th June – Y6 Sex Education parent meeting
 8th June – KS1 phonics screening begins
 10th June – Movie night
 16th June – Sports Day – KS1/Reception
 18th June – Y3/4 Sports Day
 19th June – Y5/6 Sports Day
 29th June – Y6 residential leaves
 1st July – Y6 residential returns
 7th July – Transition day

Please check out the calendar on the school website for further information.

You said, we did:

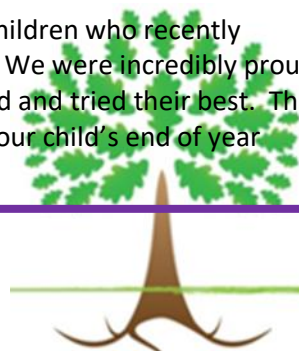
This is a new section to our newsletter! Each month we will update you on an action we have taken following your feedback.

After our Phonics/Reading/VIPERS Come and Learn, we asked you what you would like to learn about next. Many of you said maths – our Assistant Heads will inform you shortly of the next Come and Learn sessions which will focus on maths.

We appreciate all feedback that is given to us.

Y6 SATs:

Well done to all of our Y6 children who recently completed their SATs tests. We were incredibly proud of how hard they all focused and tried their best. The results will be included in your child's end of year report.



The National Year of Reading at Oak Green School:

This year, Oak Green School is proudly celebrating **The National Year of Reading**, a nationwide initiative designed to inspire a lifelong love of books and literacy among children and families. Reading is at the heart of learning, and throughout the year, the school community is working together to make reading fun, engaging, and accessible for everyone.

Every class enjoys a **daily reading** session, giving pupils the chance to immerse themselves in stories, explore new genres, and develop their comprehension skills. Teachers model **love of reading**, share their favourite books and read aloud to their classes. Each classroom features a cosy **reading corner** with age-appropriate books and themed displays, our wonderful **school library** has been refreshed with new titles to suit every reader. A team of enthusiastic **Reading Ambassadors** help promote reading across the school by organising the library, supporting book sales, and assisting younger pupils. Oak Green School has hosted a series of **Come and Read** sessions, along with new **Come and Learn** sessions for parents and carers to join their children in reading activities, share stories, and discover ways to support reading at home. Our popular **Book Picnics** are also planned for the summer term. Throughout the year, visiting authors have inspired pupils through storytelling sessions, while themed events such as **World Book Day** and **Poetry Week** have celebrated different aspects of literature. Pupils have enjoyed dressing up, taking part in book quizzes, and completing scavenger hunts linked to their favourite stories. All year groups have visited the local library, and volunteers from the charity **School Readers** visit weekly to listen to children read.

Through these initiatives, Oak Green School continues to build a culture where reading is celebrated every day. By working together—teachers, pupils, and families, the school is helping every child discover the joy and power of reading, not just for this year, but for life.



Attendance:

Attendance	Days Missed	What this Means
100%	0 Days Missed	Your child has the very best chance of achieving their full potential.
98%	4 Days Missed	Your child has very good attendance and is on a good path to reach their full potential.
96%	7 Days Missed	Your child has good attendance and will be accessing their learning well.
93%	13 Days Missed	Your child's attendance is a concern and is starting to have an impact on their potential to achieve.
90%	19 Days Missed	Your child is persistently absent and their education will be seriously impacted by this.
85%	29 Days Missed	Your child has very low attendance and they will not reach their full academic potential.

Attendance information and help

- Notify the school office **each day** your child is off ill
- If you can't get a doctor's appointment call 111 (non-emergencies)
- If your child is off ill but you notice they start to act and behave in their normal manner they can come into school- half a day in school is better than a full day off
- As much as possible, book appointments outside of school hours
- If this is unavoidable try to bring your child back to school after the appointment or into school before
- Provide as much evidence as you can so absences can be authorised
- Term time holidays/leave of absences will not be authorised- please plan for this

How to improve attendance

- Develop good routines the evening before school and in the morning when getting ready for school
- Ensure your child gets a good night's sleep (no electronic devices before bed and a good bedtime)
- Lots of fruit and veg in your child's diet will make sure they have the vitamins and minerals they need to keep them healthy
- Lots of water will also help to keep them fit and healthy too

Y5 End of day collection point:

After half term Y5 will exit school at the end of the day from the main school playground. Teachers will lead the children down the KS1 corridor and then dismiss them from the KS1 playground.

If your child has permission to walk home then they can still do this, leaving via the main entrance or Paterson Road. If you collect your child then please wait on the KS1 playground. Please continue to collect your youngest children first. Y6 will continue to use the usual exit for now.

Fantastic news:

Oak Green School has been awarded the prestigious School Games Platinum Mark for another academic year – the highest accolade of its kind. This is the fifth time the school has achieved the Platinum Award, a rare distinction held by only a small number of schools.

Caremark:

Last week, some members of the school council had the privilege to attend an open day at Caremark Aylesbury Day Centre, based at Southcourt Community Centre. The children took part in games with the other attendees and also shared their favourite memories of things they want to remember forever. The centre runs general and dementia friendly sessions and aims to be a place where people can meet and enjoy some company. We are looking forward to continuing to support and enjoy this in the future. The children were great representatives of Oak Green and we even got to meet the new Mayor of Aylesbury on her first official engagement!

**Rocksteady music:**

We've teamed up with Rocksteady Music School to bring rock & pop band lessons to the children! Weekly in-school lessons led by professional musicians — no experience needed, all instruments provided. Builds confidence, wellbeing & social skills, with end-of-term concerts to enjoy! Sign up at <https://bit.ly/band-sch-tx>

BUCKS COUNTY SHOWThursday 27th August 2026**SCHOOL OFFER!****FREE Child Tickets!**

You can book entry tickets online and take advantage of our **FREE child ticket** offer. Get up to 3 FREE child tickets (up to 16yrs) with each full paying Adult or Over 65 ticket. To redeem, simply use code **SCHOOL26** at checkout. Visit www.buckscountyshow.co.uk/tickets or scan the QR code



T&Cs: Offer valid online only. Must be booked using the code SCHOOL26. Not valid with the use of any other offers. Offer ends midnight 26.08.26



With kind wishes,
Mrs N Beesley & Mrs D Kelloway
Co-Headteachers

