

The Oakway Post

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Dates for your diary

23rd—27th October—half term

30th October—School reopens to pupils

31st October—Deadline for Year 6 secondary applications

1st November—Parents evening 3.50 —6.20pm

2nd November—Parents evening 3.50 —6.20pm

3rd November—Harvest festival mufti

6th November—Tours of Early Years for Sept 24 intake 9.30am

11th November—Tours of Early Years for Sept 24 intake 9.30am

17th November—Child in Need mufti

20th November—KS2 Panto—Jack & the Beanstalk

12th December—Early Years panto trip to the Castle

4th January 2024—Start of Term 3

16th February—Break up for half term



Each day a class has 100% attendance they receive a smiley face. When each letter of the words perfect attendance are covered the class earns a reward.

Bronze award - Board games after break

Silver award - Extra playtime

Gold award - Mufti Day

Platinum award - Movie and popcorn afternoon

Congratulations to Aspen, Birch & 5B for being the first classes to achieve Bronze awards!

Is your child in Year 6?

If your child is in Year 6 you need to make an application for their secondary school place for next year by Tuesday 31st October.

Applications should be made online via the NNC website which can be found here.

Just a reminder that if you want your child to go to Hatton, you must submit an application for the fair banding test which can be found here.

If you need support with making your child's application, please speak to the school office who will be happy to help you.



Congratulations to the new School councillors who have recently been appointed!

Wear it Pink Day!

Thank you to everyone who has made, donated or bought cakes in aid of 'Wear it pink day' to raise funds for Breast Cancer Now charity. We are looking forward to selling the cakes after school so don't forget to bring some coins with you when you



collect your child from school. The cake sale will be taking place in the Lodge and can be accessed via the KS1 playground. We will let you know how much we raised after half term.





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Is my child too ill for school?

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools about <u>managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK</u>. These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. If you do keep your child at home, it's important to phone the school on the first day and give them the reason for absence. If your child is well enough to go to school but has an infection that could be passed on, such as a cold sore or head lice, let their teacher know.

Coughs and colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor <u>cough</u> or <u>common cold</u>. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes.

Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly.

High temperature

If your child has a high temperature, keep them off school until it goes away.

Chickenpox

If your child has chickenpox, keep them off school until all the spots have crusted over.

This is usually about 5 days after the spots first appeared.

Cold sores

There's no need to keep your child off school if they have a cold sore.

Encourage them not to touch the blister or kiss anyone while they have the cold sore, or to share things like cups and towels.

Conjunctivitis

You don't need to keep your child away from school if they have conjunctivitis.

Do get advice from your pharmacist.

COVID-19

If your child has mild symptoms, such as a runny nose, sore throat, or slight cough, and feels well enough, they can go to school.

Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have <u>symptoms of COVID-19</u> and they either have a high temperature **Or** do not feel well enough to go to school.

If your child has <u>hand, foot and mouth disease</u> but seems well enough to go to school, there's no need to keep them off.

Impetigo

If your child has impetigo, they'll need treatment from a GP, often with antibiotics.

Keep them off school until all the sores have crusted over and healed, or for 48 hours after they start antibiotic treatment.

Ringworm

If your child has <u>ringworm</u>, see your pharmacist unless it's on their scalp, in which case you should see a GP.

It's fine for your child to go to school once they have started treatment.

Scarlet fever

If your child has <u>scarlet fever</u>, they'll need treatment with antibiotics from a GP. Otherwise they'll be infectious for 2 to 3 weeks. Your child can go back to school 24 hours after starting antibiotics.

Slapped cheek syndrome (fifth disease)

You don't need to keep your child off school if they have <u>slapped cheek syndrome</u> because, once the rash appears, they're no longer infectious.

Vomiting and diarrhoea

Children with <u>diarrhoea or vomiting</u> should stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 1 day (24 hours).

All absences can be reported via Studybugs app.