



The Oaklands Primary School  
A NINESTILES ACADEMY



# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

During the end of the summer term there is always a buzz of excitement around the school.

The children have met their new teachers and staff are looking forward to the year ahead. We have a new curriculum to launch in September, starting with enterprise activities across the autumn term. We will also be looking at ways of sharing your children's learning with you more regularly using an app on hand held devices. Watch this space!

Thank you for your support for our Sports Days. It was wonderful to see so many families cheering on the children. Our sporting provision continues to go from strength to strength. We are looking forward to welcoming you to our good behaviour assemblies this week. We also have the Y6 leavers production

and graduation to look forward to.

They are always emotional so please bring your tissues! Our Y6 children have been a source of inspiration with their hard work, enthusiasm and humour through the year. They have made us very proud with the achievements and we will wave them off on Friday knowing they are ready to start new adventures.

We will also be saying goodbye to Mr Mohammed, Miss Baker, Miss Gibbs and Mrs Cooper. We wish them well on their new adventures as well.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your support and partnership. Your children are a delight and I hope you have a wonderful summer break full of fun and laughter.

We'll see you all in September.

With best wishes, Mr Davis.

## KEY DATES

21st July—School closes at 1:30pm

6th September—School opens for children in Y1-Y6

14th September—School opens for Reception children

18th September—School opens for Nursery children

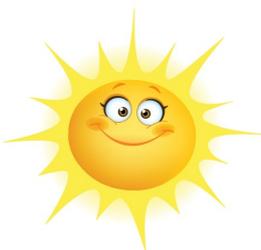
29th September—School photographer in

2nd October—Trust Awards Evening (Details in the new term)

## Unicef Update

It is with great pleasure that I can now announce that The Oaklands has achieved Level 1 of Unicef's Rights Respecting School Award. We are very proud that the work of our children, staff and parents has been recognised as we aim to improve the lives of children around the world.

Well done to all involved.



**We hope you have a lovely summer with your families and friends. Don't forget to complete your homework booklets for English and mathematics. You will be sharing them with your new teacher in September.**

## Attendance Update

We have worked hard to hit our target of 97% attendance for the year but unfortunately we have fallen short. These are the final attendance figures for each class in KS1 and KS2.

1P = 95.84% 1S = 95.83% 2M = 95.89%  
2S = 95.82% 3B = 96.15% 3G = 96.42%  
4B = 95.83% 4P = 92.22% 5D = 96.62%  
6C = 93.50% Nursery = 92.09%  
RD = 92.10% RM 93.45%

Let's make sure we hit our target next year!



## Welcome to our new member of staff!

We are very excited to be welcoming a new furry member of staff from September. This is Pepper, our new school dog! Pepper will sometimes be joining Miss Murphy at school to work with children of all ages. Pepper is a cross-breed puppy with a lovely temperament.

She comes from a strong family of school and therapy dogs and we are looking forward to her putting her skills to good use at The Oaklands. There will be strict rules about engagement with Pepper,

and the health and welfare of both the children and the dog are the highest priority. She will support with many areas of school life including reading, science, story-telling, behaviour and attendance.

She is certainly going to have a busy year! If you have any questions about Pepper or have any objections to your child having supervised contact with a dog, please contact Miss Murphy via the school office.

**Pay for your lunches, trips, uniforms by card..... Parent Pay coming soon !!!**

### School Uniform

Could all parents/carers ensure children are wearing the correct school uniform in September:

- white polo-shirt/shirt
- blue cardigan or sweatshirt
- grey or black skirt, pinafore dress or trousers (or summer dress)

If children wear leggings, these should be worn underneath a skirt or dress (not worn on their own).

We ask that no over-sized hair bows (e.g. Jo-Jo Bows) are worn in school please.



Pepper relaxing before starting her new job in September!

**Overall attendance this year was 95.48%**

### LATE ARRIVALS

All children who arrive late to school - once the gates are closed - **MUST** be signed into school by an adult. Please accompany your child to the Main Entrance to sign them in. This is to ensure the safety of all our children.

### CHANGE OF DETAILS

Please ensure that you inform the school office if **you change your address or contact**