

OAKHURST NEWS



July 2009 Update

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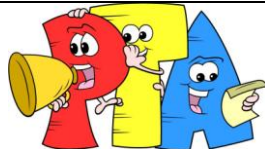
Dear Parents/Carers,

At this time of year many Headteachers and schools are preparing for the end of term and the beginning of the summer holiday. However, here at Oakhurst we are in the process of ordering equipment, setting up bank accounts, meeting with the building team as well as planning the curriculum and getting to know each other!

As I type, it is only 52 days until we open our doors for the very first time! I am full of mixed emotions as I have a short time left at my current school, but cannot wait to get started full-time at Oakhurst. I know that many of the children are excited now that work has begun on the site, and I look forward to telling you more about the building progress and additional news in the August Update.

Best wishes

Dale Burr
Headteacher



Thinking of being part of the school Parent/Teacher Association? Please email Mrs Barkham as she is collecting responses from interested parents.



Please note, school registration will take place at 9.00a.m. The end of the school day has been set at 3.15p.m.

Optional 'table top' activities to encourage home/school partnership will take place from 8.45a.m. each morning in the classrooms.

Places

29 children have confirmed a place for the Foundation Stage class. One place is still available.

Year 1 has 15 children confirmed with 15 spaces available.

Confirmed staffing arrangements for September

Mr Dale Burr – Headteacher
Miss Kasia Wojewodka – Deputy Headteacher and Year 1 teacher
Mrs Gillian Jones – Foundation Stage teacher
Mrs Denise Barkham – School Bursar

Interviews for teaching assistants take place before the end of term.

Foundation Stage Starting Times

The following information has been updated since the June meeting.

If your child's 5th birthday falls between:

1st September – 31st March, your child is full-time from **Monday 7th September** (morning only for Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th).

1st April – 31st August, your child is part-time until Friday 11th September and full-time from **Monday 14th September**. During the brief part-time period, children can eat their lunch at school and be collected at 1.00p.m.



For office related questions, please email Mrs Barkham: admin@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk

For other information, please email Mr Burr: head@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk

School website coming soon!
www.oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk



The Oakhurst uniform consists of:

Boys

Black shorts or trousers
Black shoes
White polo (with or without the school logo)
Purple sweatshirt or fleece with the school logo

Girls

Black skirt or trousers
Purple summer dress
Black shoes (low heels)
White polo (with or without the school logo)
Purple sweatshirt/fleece/cardigan with the school logo

PE kits should be kept in school throughout the school week and consist of:

Black shorts/skirt
White t-shirt
Daps/plimsolls/trainers

Uniform is available from Trutex, Brunel Centre, Swindon, 520843.

Forms

If you have yet to complete the registration form included in the information pack, please contact Mrs Barkham so we can add your details to the school database.



After-school care in September.

The Big A Club can offer the following after-school care from September 2009:

- Collection from Oakhurst School to Isambard (where The Big A currently run an established club)
- Parents to collect from Isambard School

The price of this after-school care will be available in the August update.

Childcare during transition to school

Swindon Sure Start Partnership at Swindon Borough Council helps with potential childcare needs when children start in reception class.

If you are struggling to find registered childcare during the transition to school, please contact Wendy Spence. It is part of Wendy's job to support parents to make suitable childcare arrangements during this period. She can be contacted on 01793 466032 or at wspence@swindon.gov.uk

Class visits

Mrs Jones and Miss Wojewodka are currently visiting all settings to meet the children due to start in September.

**AUGUST UPDATE
ISSUED WEEK
BEGINNING
MONDAY 17TH
AUGUST.**

Cool Milk has delayed processing orders until we can confirm a telephone number and address for the school. I will contact all parents when this is available.

