



Oakhurst News

Oakhurst Community Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter

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Next issue: day 26th September 2018

July 2017 and New Academic Year Diary Dates

5 th	TERM 1 BEGINS 9:00 – 10:00am: Coffee Stop – community rooms
12 th	Newsletter published on website [Edition 168] 9:00 – 10:00am: Coffee Stop – community rooms
14 th	1:30pm: Prospective parents/school visit Oakhurst PFA meeting
15 th	Head Boy & Head Girl Interviews
18 th	School Council election week Reception children start full-time
19 th	9:00 – 10:00am: Coffee Stop – community rooms
20 th	Just Joshing (anti-bullying production from Firehorse Productions) 9:15am: Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 1:15pm: Year 5 and Year 6 Year 3 - Rotorua Class: Swimming starts
22 nd	9:30am: Prospective parents/school visit



HEAD-itorial

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a wonderful summer break and that you and your children had a chance to rest up and recharge ready to kick-start into an exciting first term here at Oakhurst.

As I'm sure you are already aware, we received notification of Miss Akif's resignation during the summer holiday period and our Deputy Chair of governors wrote to you and updated you on the leadership situation at school. We are very pleased to inform you that the arrangement we have with Mrs Susan Smith will continue into the Autumn terms.

There is a new section on our school website where you will find important documents such as term letters and topic webs. In order to find these, please click on the **classes** tab and then select the appropriate year group from the drop-down menu. Be sure to check out all of the exciting learning opportunities planned for your child this term!

As a school, we are incredibly proud of our SAT, phonics screening and Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) results. This is testament to the hard work that goes on at every level in our forward-thinking and vibrant school. You can find a summary of these results on our website.

I have also taken the time to analyse the results of our annual questionnaire to parents. Thank you to everyone who took the time to respond. It is pleasing to see that the overwhelming majority of respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statements. This information has been used to inform our plan for school improvement in the coming year.

I hope you are as excited as we are about being back and getting back to the business of learning.

Best Wishes

Mr Paul Strange
Acting Headteacher



Update us!

The summer holidays can often be a very busy time for us and your contact details may have changed in this time.

Please ensure that you update us on changes of address, phone numbers and permissions etc.

wow moments



During the summer holidays, Cara from Denver class attended the British Gymnastics Championships at the Liverpool Echo arena. She competed and achieved the accolade of **'Under 10 All Around (AA) British Champion'**.

Cara's family are incredibly proud of her hard-work, commitment and all of her fantastic achievements. Well done Cara!

Please keep sending your wow moments to me so we can continue to celebrate our out-of-school achievements, too!



Front Playground



We know how exciting it can be to spot your child out on the playground during the school day and to be tempted to go over for a little chat.

However, in order to keep our children safe at all times, we would kindly ask parents to resist the temptation to do this. We do not want adults not known to our children to be able to interact with them through our perimeter fence. Our staff may not know all of our parents and carers by sight and will challenge anyone seen doing this (it's our job so please don't be cross!).



The SCHOOP App

As we are starting a new academic year, it is probably worth checking that you are signed up to receive all of the relevant messages and push notifications through the SCHOOP app.

In addition to this, for those of you who may have been experiencing problems accessing messages and notifications, we would recommend uninstalling and reinstalling the app.