



# Oakhurst News

Oakhurst Community Primary School's Fortnightly Newsletter

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Next issue: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018

## January / February Diary Dates

9th	9:00 – 10:00am: Coffee Stop – community rooms
10th	Year 5/6 hockey event
12th	Young voices choir concert – details to follow
16th	Newsletter published on website [Edition 175]
18th	<b>Oakhurst PFA meeting</b>
23rd	9:00 – 10:00am: Coffee Stop – community rooms
24th	Full Governing Body meeting Year 5/6 football event
30th	Swindon Dance Festival Newsletter published on website [Edition 177] 9:00 – 10:00am: Coffee Stop – community rooms
6th	Wiltshire Dance Festival
7th	Year 3 - Rotorua Class: Swimming ends
8th	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM 3 – Normal finish time (3:15pm)</b>  <b>Nursery TD Day</b>

## HEAD-itorial



Dear parents and carers,

Term 3 is well and truly underway and the school has been filled with lots of exciting new learning linked to a fresh set of new topics. To find out more about the learning experiences planned for your child, please visit the school website to find the appropriate **topic web** and **term letter**.

Our whole-school Jigsaw PSHE theme for this term is '**Dreams and Goals**'. I kicked things off with a bit of fun in our first assembly where we played a game of '*guess the adult*' using a photo of them as a child and a description of their dreams and goals from when they were little – assembly was abuzz with speculation and cooing (as I'm sure you can imagine!).

At the end of this term, we will be saying goodbye to Miss Morris, who currently teaches Darwin Class in Year 3. We'll be sad to see her leave, but she's off on an exciting new journey in her home town of Bristol where she'll be venturing into the realms of hospitality. On behalf of all the staff here at Oakhurst, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Morris for all of her hard work since joining our team and we wish her the very best for the future.

Taking over from Miss Morris, we are excited to share with you that we'll be welcoming Mrs Mead to Oakhurst team. No, you did not read that wrong, it is none other than Mr Mead's wife! Mrs Mead will be teaching Darwin Class from Monday to Thursday each week. '*What about the Friday?*' I hear you ask. Well, Mrs Taylor, who currently teaches Paris class at the beginning of the week, will be teaching the class on a Friday as she knows the children well. I'm sure you'll join me in making them both feel very welcome.

In addition to the updates above, we are extremely pleased to be able to share with you that Miss Seabourne is joining the school's Senior Leadership Team in the capacity of Lower Key Stage 2 (LKS2) Phase Leader.

Mr Paul Strange  
Acting Headteacher

### Reporting illness

If your child is unwell and will not be coming into school, it is imperative that you let us know by **giving us a call** or **emailing** [absence@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:absence@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk) – please do not use the admin@ address for reporting absence. You must do this for **every day of the absence**.

## WOW moments

Have you done something amazing recently that you'd like to share with us here at school?

You have? Perfect!

All you need to do is send a description of what you have been up to to our [admin@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk) email address. If you'd like to include a picture, that would be even better.

And hey presto – you and your achievement are in the next issue of our school newsletter in this very section.

Simple!

Please keep sharing your 'wow moments' with us so we can celebrate your out-of-school achievements, too!



## After School Club appeal



Our After School Club have asked us to put out an appeal to parents and carers.

As Christmas has been and gone, do you have any **good quality toys, games or books** at home that would benefit from a new home at after school club?

If you have had a sort out at home and would like to donate anything to after school club, I know that they would be very grateful for any additional resources.

Please accept our thanks in advance.

## Breakfast and After School Club



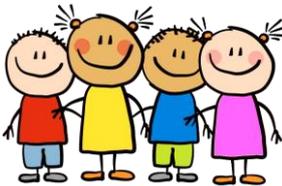
This is just a little reminder to parents and carers not to send children to either of our wrap around care facilities (Breakfast and After School Club) without first having made a booking, and paid, through our Parent Pay system.

Our wrap around care operates on strict adult-to-child ratios and we are unable to accept last minute additions to these services.

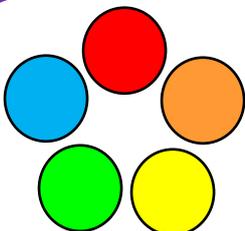
You can always check your booking or update us by emailing the following addresses:

**Breakfast Club:** [bclub@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:bclub@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk)

**After School Club:** [osclub@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:osclub@oakhurst.swindon.sch.uk)



## Term 2 – Winning Wonder



**Victoria Falls** were our winning wonder group for the second time running this year!

School council met earlier in the term to discuss potential reward ideas. Stay tuned for more details shortly.