



Newsletter



February 2024

Oak Trees Multi Academy Trust

As you will all know, our governors made the decision last year to become part of the Oak Trees Multi Academy Trust. We are currently progressing through the legal stages and are hoping to convert from April 1st this year. In terms of the day to day running of the school, parents will not notice any changes. The biggest changes are in terms of external support for the staff and increased opportunities for the pupils. Even though we do not convert until later in the year, our staff have already been accessing a wide range of training that is offered through the MAT. This means that they are well supported and are able to bring fresh new ideas into the school to improve teaching and learning in their subject areas. In terms of increased opportunities for the pupils, our school choir has already been involved in two large singing events and some of our school councillors have been involved in a collaborative project and created a film about anti bullying week. Later in the year, we will be involved in a range of academy wide sporting events too.

Upcoming Dates






- 15th February – Sportshall athletics competition
- 16th February – School closes for half term
- 26th February – School opens

Attendance

Attendance at school is incredibly important for all children, especially after large periods of closure in the past few years. Each month, I will share our whole school attendance in our newsletter. Our target is 96%. If your child is well enough, please ensure that they attend school. We do not authorise any holidays in term time and may issue fines.

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Whole School Attendance for January 2024
93.47%

190 DAYS 100%	183 DAYS 96%	179 DAYS 94%	175 DAYS 92%	More than 18 days absence less than 90%
				
Very best chance of success	Off to a flying start	Less chance of success	Harder to make progress	Persistent Absentee (your child misses a lot)



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Parking

Unfortunately, we have had a number of complaints from local residents about parking before and after school. Please ensure that you are parking considerately and that you are not blocking any driveways. We have also had a number of parents using the car park for pick up and drop off at these times. **Please note that for the safety of all, the car park is for staff and deliveries only.**

Extra Curricular Activities

Our school continues to offer a wide range of extra curricular activities. This term our schedule is:

Monday – Gymnastics

Tuesday – Football & Drama

Wednesday – Dodgeball & Choir

Thursday – Nerf Active

Friday – Athletics (Yr 4 and above)

If your child is interested in joining a club, then please contact school.

Mr P Hindle