

FOUR OAKS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Next Week—Menu 1

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Dear Parents and Governors

Important Football News!

A big well done to our football team who played at Hill West earlier this week. The children played really well, but by the time the final whistle was blown the score was Hill West 8 - 5 Four Oaks.

Unfortunately, I have had to apologise to Hill West for the inappropriate behaviour of some of our supporting parents. I will stress that it is not the place of supporting parents to get involved with the running of sporting events in any way and certainly not to criticise the staff involved. This goes against all aspects of the FA Charter and will not be tolerated. Due to this, if we manage to arrange our last match against Coppice then this match will take place without parents supporting. This makes me incredibly sad, but I cannot have the school's name being brought into disrepute!

Many thanks to those parents who did support in an appropriate way and were excellent role models for our children.

Year 4 Assembly



I hope that all friends and family who came along this Tuesday to watch the Year 4 assembly enjoyed it as much as I did. It was wonderful to see just how much the children lived their parts, and enjoyed communicating the amazing amount of learning they have done around their foundation curriculum topic of Ancient Greece. They really brought their learning to life. Many thanks to everyone who spared their time to come along and then have a lovely lunch together. Remember, if parents would like to buy a 'Debbie's Dinners' cookbook they can be ordered via our PTA website at:
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/four-oaks-primary/>

Summer Festival

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTA, ably led by one of our Teaching Assistants Mrs Todd, for the amazing Summer Festival that they ran last Saturday. I had so many wonderful comments from parents leaving through the gate about how they felt welcome at such an inclusive and open family community event. Comments varied from 'can we do this every half term?', to 'this is the kind of thing that makes Four Oaks feel like Four Oaks'.



I know that the majority of parents really value our open-door policy and how we include parents in the life of our school, but I will take this opportunity to stress that an event like this takes literally hundreds of hours to put together, and if it were not for such a strong core group of parents who come along to countless meetings, and give many hours of their own time through the year, the Summer Festival would just not exist. We would also like to say a thank you to all of the parents, past parents and staff who volunteered to run the stalls. Again, without you, we would not be able to run the event. A great team effort for a fabulous day! **RESPECT TO THE PTA!**

Breaking News: We have just been advised by the PTA that we managed to raise a whopping £4,584! This money will come back into school to support all of our pupils—thank you to everyone who supported the event.



Successful Sports Days

Well what a wonderful day we all had on Monday 19th June when we staged our two sports day events. We hit lucky with the weather and it was wonderful to welcome so many smiling parents and family friends onto our school site to celebrate the children's sporting success. For many years now we have run our inclusive sports days where all children take part in all events, thus promoting a feeling of success for every child. It was lovely to talk to so many parents who had not seen the way we do things before and who were bowled over by what an inclusive approach this is.

It wouldn't be the same event if so many of our families didn't come to support, so a big thank you to everyone who made the time to turn up. At events like this we throw our doors open to our parent community safe in the knowledge that you will come and support all of the children in a supportive and enthusiastic manner. This year it was our red house 'Wyndley' who were successful so it's up to Blackroot, Bracebridge and Longmoor to get practising and try to take the trophy from them for next summer!



Tennis Triumph!



A HUGE well done to our Year3/4 Tennis Team who participated in the Birmingham Tennis Finals. They won the competition and didn't lose one game!!! An amazing result for Esme, Charlie L-M, Jacob M and Emilie J who I think we will be watching at Wimbledon in a few years.



'Speak Out' Final

Huge congratulations to all of our talented Year 6 pupils who have been involved in the Birmingham-wide public speaking event 'Speak Out' over the last few weeks. In school we have had to have multiple rounds of competition to get to our two finalists who will be going off in a couple of weeks to compete in the all-Birmingham final. One of our Year 6 pupils won this whole event last year and it is an amazing opportunity for our oldest children and one that helps to develop a true life skill.

This year our brave and talented finalists are Olive and Daniel, and we wish them every ounce of luck that we can muster for their final. We are extremely proud of them!

Re-arranged New Transition Day - 12th July 2023

As I stated in a note to parents on School Jotter last week, Birmingham City Council have moved their city-wide transition day for Y6 pupils moving to secondary school that was first arranged for Wednesday 5th July. **This means that all children at Four Oaks and across the city will complete their traditional transition day on Wednesday 12th July.**



On this day all children will move up to their new classroom to spend an exciting day with their new teacher for next year. They will find out the identity of their new teacher, just as they did last year, at the start of this day. This will be possible as most Year 6 children will go to their new secondary schools for the day. If any Year 6 children have their transition days on a different date then they will come into school as normal on 12th July and will work as a small group. However we are still **welcoming our new Reception children in on Wednesday 5th July** as we did not want to alter parents' time off work that they may have already booked!

Dogs on Site



Can I make it very clear to all parents that pet dogs are not allowed to come onto the school site at any time. The fact that they may be small and carried makes no difference whatsoever. I am sure that all parents will support me in this matter! Many thanks.



Super Stars and Acorns



The following children received Stars (Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly last week. Well done to them all!!

Bumblebees	Kobe
Ladybirds	Tamara
Owls	Rowan
Hedgehogs	Amber-Chaya
Turtles	Thea S.
Sharks	Avaani
3E	Jordan
3R	Daya
4B	Charlotte Mc
4W	Elise
5AC	Libby
5MC	Lily-May R.
6B	Josh
6S	Not awarded



Super Stars and Acorns



The following children received Stars (Infants) and Acorns (Juniors) in Assembly this week. Well done to them all!!

Bumblebees	Leon
Ladybirds	Billy
Owls	Maya V-Q
Hedgehogs	Maisie
Turtles	Jivan
Sharks	Isaac
3E	Sophia
3R	Emilie
4B	Nikki / The Whole Class
4W	Laina / The Whole Class
5AC	Emily
5MC	Max
6B	Frank
6S	Miss Skelding's English Group / Mila

Courtesy Cup Winners ~ last week

Reception	Amber / Aizah
Year 1	Bolin / Joshua V.
Year 2	Sulayman / Beatrix
Year 3	Amber / Georgiana
Year 4	Jayan / Harry M.
Year 5	Erin / Kiera
Year 6	Isla H.



Well done to all the winners!

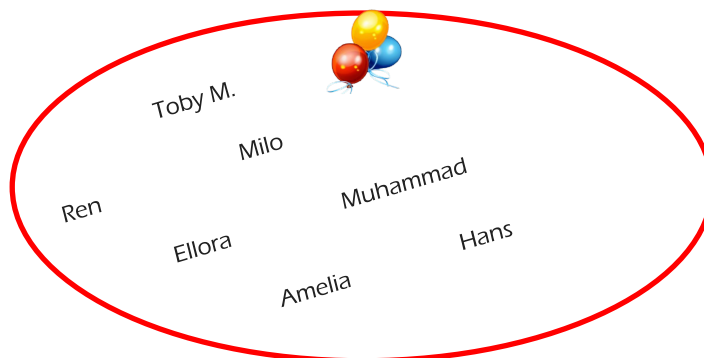
Courtesy Cup Winners ~ this week

Reception	Rex /Torben
Year 1	Elliott / Aarick
Year 2	Maddie / Zach
Year 3	Jai / Surbani
Year 4	Jacob L./Scarlett
Year 5	Elise / Thea (5MC)
Year 6	Alayna / Harry S.



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Infant Birthdays



Kindness Tree Award

Last Week Infants: Emilie W (Owls)
 Last Week Juniors: Charlie L-M (4W) & Aarya (4W)
 This Week Infants: Aaminah (Turtles)
 This Week Juniors: Penny (4B)



Year 5—Boreatton Park—Friday 7th to Monday 10th July

We hope that Year 5 have a wonderful time at Boreatton Park. We will be leaving school at sometime on Friday afternoon between 1.45—2.00pm and parents are welcome to come and wave us off however please do not park on Edge Hill Road as the coach will need to manoeuvre. We will update parents throughout the weekend on Twitter with news and photos!

Year 5 Mathematicians

Well done to our Year 5 mathematicians who competed at Kind Edwards School on Tuesday—they performed fantastically and were a credit to Four Oaks Primary.

Parents of Neurodiverse Children

One of our parents has reached out to us to suggest it may be of some benefit to parents of neurodiverse children in school to set up a WhatsApp group to share ideas and support each other. If you would like to connect in this way then please contact Emma Armstrong on 07483 422 920.

Reports to Parents on 12th July

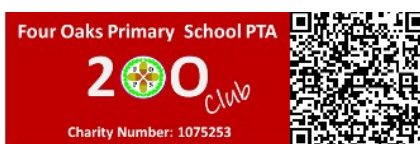
Just a reminder to all parents that you will receive your child's annual end of year school report on Wednesday 12th July. You will need to check your inbox (and junk mailbox) to check for your report being published on Classroom Monitor. Then please use your pre-created login and password to access your child's report.



Playgroup—Open Day

We have attached a flyer which gives all the information regarding an Open Day Playgroup will be holding on Wednesday 5th July.

TIME TO ANNOUNCE THE JUNE WINNERS



The June 200 Club raffle that was drawn on Wednesday 21st June by members of Owls class, overseen by Mrs Glover and Mr Benton.

1st Prize £50 - Ball no. 26 - J Price

2nd Prize £20 - Ball no 78 - E Dawes

Bonus Prizes - each win a £20 gift voucher for The Crown Pub

Ball no. 114 - S Linley

Ball no. 30 - J Arnett

Ball no. 3 - H Boora



A big thank you to The Crown Pub and everyone who has bought tickets for the raffle this year!

ICT Tip of the Week

Meta is the company that brings you Facebook, Messenger, Instagram and WhatsApp and this week they have announced new features to help parents and teens manage the time spent on their apps.

Parental supervision tools will allow parents to see how much time their children spend on messenger and it will provide information about teens message settings.

<https://about.fb.com/news/2023/06/parental-supervision-and-teen-time-management-on-metas-apps/>

If you have any queries regarding any of the above please do not hesitate to contact me.
Yours sincerely

Mr M Benton
Head Teacher



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FOUR OAKS PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP



In association with



Open day



**Wednesday 5th July
2023**

**9:30am–11:30am
1pm–2:30pm**

See our facilities

Meet our staff

By appointment only

Ring 07966 147 584

to book

Email fouroakspspg@yahoo.co.uk

