

Newsletter



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Dear Parents

Thank you to all those children who participated in the summer music concerts last week.

We will be celebrating the feast of St Peter and Paul by attending Mass on **Tuesday 29 June at 10am** at St. John the Baptist. Although Year 2 are already out on a school trip, the rest of the school from Year 1 upwards will attend.

Sadly we received another parking complaint this week, from one of the shop owners across the road. Parents are arriving very early for collection at the end of the day which means that potential customers have nowhere to park. Whilst I realize that parking is at a premium, could I please ask parents to avoid using those bays and use either St. James Road or the side roads opposite the school. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

The feast day of St Josemaria Escriva is on **Saturday 26 June** and there will be a celebratory mass on this day at the Holy Family Church, Sanderstead at 11.30am. All families are welcome. St Josemaria founded Opus Dei (further information can be found on their website www.opusdei.org.uk). The teachings of St Josemaria, especially with regard to the sanctification of ordinary work and the vocation of lay people to be saints, has been a guiding light in the foundation of both Oakwood and Oliver House.

A reminder that school closes at **12.30pm** on the last day (including the nursery).



SPORTS DAY

Oakwood Sports Day will take place at Warlingham Rugby Club (Limpsfield Road, Hamsey Green) on **Friday 2 July**. The infants sports day (Reception to Year 2) begins at 10am, followed by the junior sports day (Years 3-6) at 1pm. Pupils will be transported to and from the sports ground, so drop off and collection at school should be as normal. Parents who wish to take their junior children straight home afterwards should let the class teacher know beforehand so that their bags can be taken to the grounds. Children **MUST** be formally dismissed by their class teacher before leaving. Please ensure that all children are wearing sun cream; water will be provided. In the event of bad weather, sports day will be held at the same venue and times on Monday 5 July (a decision will be made by 9am on the Friday). If in doubt, please look at the school website. We look forward to seeing you all there!

REPORTS

The children's reports, Head's Report to Parents and Oakwood Times will be posted home at the end of next week.

SCHOOL VISITS

Year 1 are visiting Sea Life in Brighton on **Thursday 24 June** as part of their history topic on the sea side. The Year 2 children will be watching 'Pirates' at the Polka Theatre on **Tuesday 29 June** to enhance their English and drama skills.

The infants will be participating in a mini Spanish flamenco workshop with Mrs Prosser on **Monday 5 July**. They will celebrate the culture, music and costumes of the Andalucia region.

On **Tuesday 6 July**, Year 4 are visiting Gatton Park to participate in some teambuilding activities.

LOWER JUNIOR PRODUCTION

We are looking forward to the performances of 'Peace Child' on **Thursday 24 June at 2pm** (slightly earlier than originally announced) and **Friday 25 June at 7.30pm**. Tickets are priced at £2 for the matinee and £5 for the evening; these will be available at the door (children and senior citizens free!). A professional video recording will be made at the evening performance and order forms are attached for children in those classes. Please note that no photographs may be taken during the performance, however parents will have an opportunity to take photos once the play is over. Children should be brought to school in their uniform at 6.15pm on Friday evening. Refreshments will be available before the production.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY & PRIZEGIVING



The Year 1 & 2 children will have their celebration assembly on **Wednesday 7 July at 8.50am**, when the pupils will be giving us a very colourful account of the past year. All parents are welcome.

The Junior Prizegiving and Leavers' Mass will also be held on **Wednesday 7 July (at 7.30pm)**. All juniors should be in school at 7.20pm on the night. Please ensure that all items of uniform are clean and that shoes are polished! This is the highlight of the school year and pupils should look their best. Prizes will be awarded across the juniors so it is essential that all pupils and their parents from Year 3 upwards attend.

SPEECH & DRAMA SHOWCASE

Mrs Lloyd's speech & drama pupils will be putting on a showcase next **Tuesday 29 June at 3pm**. All parents are invited.

SPORTS NEWS

Warlingham Park proved to be a very well organized side and our U11 cricket & rounders teams lost their matches. The U9 boys managed a win in their cricket match against Warlingham Park last week, and the girls narrowly lost their rounders match. Although both U9 teams suffered losses in their cricket & rounders matches against Laleham Lea, they nevertheless enjoyed them and gained valuable experience. Congratulations to all those awarded player of the match: Niam Mell, Alex Osman, Matt Morrison, Lucia Osman, Jean Megret & Georgina Teague.

SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

The cycle ride around Richmond Park by children of Oakwood and Oliver House (+ dads) in May raised a tremendous £450, which is winging its way to Nairobi to help with the education of Elizabeth and Kizito. Mr de la Bedoyere passes on his thanks to all those involved.

NURSERY NEWS....

We are looking forward to the Nursery Sports Day & Party which will be held at school on **Tuesday 29 June at 10am**. Please refer to the previous newsletter for further information.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Please note that parents settling any minor balances on their school accounts during the holidays (eg. from recently invoiced uniform items or school trips etc.) should send cheques directly to the Finance Office, Oliver House Prep School, 7 Nightingale Lane, London SW4 9AH. If you have any queries regarding your bill, please call Miss Middleton on 020 8772 9422.

Merit Badge

Merit Badges for the past 2 weeks have been awarded to:



Reception M: Oscar Adams-Leach & Adam Davies
Reception P: Hope Carter & Angelica James
Year 1: Miguel Alvarez Vazquez & Eavan Jordan
Year 2: Davina Schifano & Gabriele Woolmer
Year 3: Keisha Frimpong & Helena Newman-Sanders
Year 4: Grace Adamson & Hannah Swadling
Year 5: Nia Ledgister & David Molloy
Year 6: Santiago Fernandez & Joseph Dodd

CONGRATULATIONS CHILDREN!

SAVE THE DATES

THURSDAY 24 JUNE

Year 1 trip to Sea Life in Brighton

Reception Medieval lunch – 12.30pm

Lower Junior Production – 2pm

FRIDAY 25 JUNE

Lower Junior Production – 7.30pm

TUESDAY 29 JUNE

Mass at St. John the Baptist – 10am

Nursery Sports Day & Party – 10am

Year 2 trip to Polka Theatre

Speech & Drama showcase – 3pm

WEDNESDAY 30 JUNE

Final swimming lesson at Purley Pool

Year 6 leavers' party – 7pm

FRIDAY 2 JULY

Sports Day for infants & juniors

MONDAY 5 JULY

Flamenco workshop (infant classes)

TUESDAY 6 JULY

Year 4 trip to Gatton Park

WEDNESDAY 7 JULY

Year 1 & 2 celebration assembly – 8.50am

Junior Prizegiving & Leavers' Mass – 7.30pm

THURSDAY 8 JULY

Second hand uniform sale – 2.30pm

Reception M & P trip to Queens Park

FRIDAY 9 JULY

School closes for summer holidays – 12.30pm

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AUTUMN TERM 2010

TUESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

School opens for Autumn Term – 8.30am

After school club begins (please note that the Early Birds Club only starts on **Monday 13 September**)

FRIDAY 17 SEPTEMBER

Information Evening (school & nursery) – 7.30pm