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## Term 2 2024- Week 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a lovely half term and were able to restock your batteries ready for this very busy term! Please see dates below for all the events coming up.

We know that we have been asking for a lot recently with Harvest, Link to Hope shoe box appeal, Raystede and now Children in Need. Thank you for your support with this. It is so important in children's personal development to see the wider world and recognise how life for others is either similar or different to their own circumstances. They have been absolutely amazing in their kindness in wanting to get involved in helping others.

You will shortly receive the curriculum topic webs for what your child will be learning this term, we are always grateful of any help in classes if you have time to come and support in any of these subjects.

The children are enjoying coming into school on PE days in the PE kit, so are the staff! Please make sure that it is still the uniform kit though which is dark tracksuit bottoms, plain house colour t-shirt and school fleece, sweatshirt/ cardigan, many thanks.

### ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Underwater class** who achieved the highest attendance of **100%** during the last week of term 1 and to **Jungle Class** for having the highest attendance of this week. Well done.

Our target for this year is **96.5%** and our current whole school attendance is **94.9%**.

### REWARDS

Congratulations to the following children who have received their next Pupil Point certificates.

900 Points **High Peaks:** Walter

1300 Points **Jungle:** Bea



### ANTI BULLYING WEEK



Next week is Anti-Bullying week and the focus being 'Choose Respect'. Children will take part in discussion and activities in class to discuss what bullying is and how we can work together

to stop it. On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> we invite all the children to wear odd socks for the day to show that we are all different and to respect each other's differences. Please note there is no donation needed to wear odd socks.

If you would like to look at the parent and carer pack then please find it using this link. It has some very useful information in discussing what bullying is with your children.

<https://anti->

[bullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/attachments/ABW%20Parents%20Pack%202024.pdf](https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/sites/default/files/uploads/attachments/ABW%20Parents%20Pack%202024.pdf)

### Diary

#### November 2024

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Hindleap parent meeting 2.45pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-Bullying Week
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Remembrance Day
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Open Session, 1.30pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	LSA Meeting, 2pm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	CLASS+ Coffee and Chat
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Children in Need
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Y6 Take Over morning
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Music performance for KS2
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Jungle Class Residential

#### December 2024

Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Hindleap parent meeting 2.45pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Infant Nativity
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Concert
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Jungle Class One Voice Performance
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Touring Pantomime
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	WWO at Christmas
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Service
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of term 2

## INFANTS VISIT FROM RAYSTEDE

The infants had a lovely visit from Raystede this week and learnt all about caring for pets.

Thank you to the whole school who had a home clothes day and raised an incredible **£80.21** for such an amazing charity. Thank you to all our families for being so generous.



## REMEMBRANCE DAY

Thank you to Jungle class children who have been busy selling poppies in school all week for the Royal British Legion. The Royal British Legion is here to help members of the Royal Navy, British Army, the Royal Airforce, Veterans and their families. They remember those who lost their lives on active service in all conflicts; from the beginning of the First World War right up to the present day. They also remember all those who have served and their families. There will be another opportunity Monday morning for any

last sales.

We will be observing the 2 minutes silence together as a whole school on Monday at 11am.

## CHILDREN IN NEED

Next Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need and we would like to continue to raise money for this charity.

We know that we have asked for different causes recently but Children in Need is so pertinent for the children to learn about and support. The children will learn in school about who this money supports and where it goes.

We have therefore decided to raise money by having a home clothes day and bake sale on

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November. We would ask for a donation of a £1 for home clothes and

donations of cakes, biscuits or savouries for the bake sale. We invite you to come and buy cakes from 3p.m on

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> and bring in any donation either that morning or the day before. Many thanks for your continued support for our charitable endeavours.



## UNDERWATER

Underwater class are changing our role play area to a veterinary surgery next week and we wondered if anyone had any small soft animal toys, drs bags, small spare animal carriers/ beds or anything else that you might find in a surgery that we could either borrow or have please? Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you, Mrs Chandler and Mrs Forster

## CLASS+ COFFEE AND CHAT SESSION

The next CLASS + Coffee and Chat session at Loughton is on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November** at **9.30am**. These sessions are for parents and carers of an autistic child or a child who is on the autism pathway to meet, talk and share information or ideas with other parents/carers. You are also very welcome to attend to find out more information or ask any questions you may have. Your child does not need a diagnosis for to come along. Please see the poster attached which has details for alternative dates and locations.

## OPEN SESSIONS

Our next Open Session for parents and carers with children due to start school in September 2025 is on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024** at **1.30pm**. So that we can monitor numbers, please can you book with the school office on 01323 811306 or email [loughtonoffice@oaktreefederation.co.uk](mailto:loughtonoffice@oaktreefederation.co.uk) where you will also need to confirm who will be attending with you. The session will last a maximum of 45 minutes, and you will have the opportunity to meet with the Executive Headteacher, Rachel West.

Please spread the word if you know anyone who has a child due to start school next year. The final Open Day is on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2025 (am)**. The ESCC closing date for applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2025**.

## THE ONE VOICE FESTIVAL

The children in Jungle class had a choir session this week from Create Music. They all really enjoyed it and it was lovely to hear them practising for their performance in December.

At 7.30pm on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December, Jungle Class will be performing at Glyndebourne Opera House. They will start to learn the songs for this next week with one of the musicians coming in to school. Mrs Dry will then work on the songs in some of their music time in term 2. All children are expected to attend and further information will follow in how to obtain tickets.

## ANXIETY TOOLBOX WEBINAR

Please see the attached flyer for an Anxiety Toolbox webinar for parents and carers to support their children with anxiety and mental health.

## **HAF**

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) winter clubs are now open for booking. Families can find out what's available and book a place on the [HAF booking website](#). This DfE funded programme offers a range of exciting activities for young people who receive benefits-related free school meals. Parents can check if they qualify by reading the East Sussex County Council website [Free school meals page](#). All sessions include a healthy meal and are free to eligible young people. There is a great range of clubs spread across multiple venues in East Sussex. Activities include sport, art, theatre, forest school, animation, music, computer coding and crafts.

A small number of places will also be available to children and young people who:

- Disabled or special educational needs, including those with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP)
- Children in Need (CiN)
- Referred to Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)
- Young Carers
- Have a disabled sibling
- Children on a Child Protection Plan (CP) and Looked After Children (LAC)
- Refugee groups

Thank you for all your support.

Kind regards

Mrs Rachel West and Mrs Vicki Brown