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Dear Parents and Carers,

It was been a short but busy week here at Oakwood. Yesterday's polling day meant that we missed the children but took the opportunity to complete lots of staff training and have a bit of a 'Spring Clean' in the junior hall! The display boards have all been redone in the hall and with our new projector and screen it looks fantastic!

Not all the children were away from school yesterday. Miss Elms and Mr Sharpe couldn't resist the opportunity for a SATs booster session so a group of year 6 children were invited in for a bit of extra tuition.

Next week is a very important week for the year 6 children. The SATs will be completed by nearly every year 6 child in the country. It is the final assessment of the progress they have made at primary school. A great deal of support and resources are put into the week. We are even having all the year 6 children in early every day next week for breakfast, to make sure they are properly prepared for that day's test!



KEEP CALM AND Good luck Year 6 in sats

Recently Mrs Foyle and I have been speaking to parents who are fed of asking their child at the end of the day 'How was school today?' or 'What did you do at school today?' and getting the answer 'Dunno', 'Fine' or even 'It was boring'. I'm sure this

sounds familiar to some of you! We'd like to suggest that you ask your child not 'How was school?' but 'Tell me something that made you smile today?', 'Did anyone make you laugh today?' or 'What did you learn today?'. We hope that you might get a more positive response!

Finally, as hopefully you all know it is a school rule that children do not bring in toys. There are two main reasons for this. Firstly, if children bring in a toy then it must be precious to them and they get very upset when they are lost or on occasions taken. Secondly, lots of toys that the children bring in are for one person not two people or a group. This stops children socialising and interacting with each other. Recently, there has been a large increase in 'fidget spinners'. I think they are fantastic and great fun but they are very distracting for children. When children have them in class some are saying they

are a 'fidget toy so I need one.' Unless there is a medical reason with a written letter from a doctor or medical practitioner, saying that your child needs a 'fidget toy', then they cannot have one in class. They are too distracting for the child and others. Please support the school in this by not sending your child in with toys of any kind.





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Upcoming Dates

Monday 8th May—	Year 6 SATs week
Monday 15th May—	Bikeability Level 2 Yrs 5 & 6
Tuesday 16th May—	Bikeability Level 2 Yrs 5 & 6
Wednesday 17th May—	Triple P Meeting—Sibling Squabbles 9:00am (please note change of date) Bikeability Level 2 Yrs 5 & 6
Wednesday 24th May—	Triple P Meeting - Difficult Bedtimes 9:00am KS1 Open Afternoon 2:30pm
Thursday 25th May—	Lower Junior Paragon Show 2:30pm
Friday 26th May—	Upper Junior Open Afternoon 2:30pm Reception Paragon Show 2:50pm
Friday 26th May—	End of Term
Monday 5th June—	Start of Term
Thursday 8th June—	*General Election Polling Day—school closed
Friday 9th June—	Inset Day
Monday 12th June—	Year 6 London Trip (more info to follow)
Tuesday 27th June—	Year 5 Blacklands Trip (more info to follow)