Friday 10th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy week here at Oatlands. We are delighted to let you know that Mrs Edwards has given birth to her beautiful daughter Ottelie, who arrived at the healthy weight of 9lb 4oz earlier this week! Mother and baby are doing well and we are looking forward to meeting Ottelie very soon.

As you will know, it is important that we teach the children how to keep safe. Earlier in the term we had our first fire drill and this week we practised a 'Partial lock down'. In assembly on Tuesday we prepared the children by talking to them about when this may be necessary. Examples included, if a fox or dog was in the playground or if there were smoke or a gas explosion on the street. Children were taught that they need to come inside quietly and calmly and that the adults will shut the windows and doors. We have added a link to the assembly so that you can see what was shared.

We were pleased to welcome our Year 1 parents to our maths workshops this week. The team have updated the content and we have had really positive feedback about the new range of activities. As always, we appreciate you taking the time to join us. We hope you enjoyed it and look forward to welcoming year 2 parents next week.

We had the last of our Curriculum evenings this week with Year 2 teachers sharing a snapshot of expectations and curriculum content for Year 2. A huge thank you to the PTA for providing drinks for all year groups this year. It made for a lovely atmosphere!

Next week we have the first of our Forest School enrichment days, with year 1 going to join Mrs Willemse over on the field. Hopefully the weather will be as good as it has been this week.

We hope you have a wonderful weekend.

Tanya Mooney

Key Dates Coming Up

Maths Workshops

Tigers Maths Workshop Monday 13th October 9.15-10.00 Lions Maths Workshop Wednesday 15th October 9.15-10.00

Parent Consultations Tuesday 14th October

Thursday 23rd October

Forest School

Starfish Forest School Wednesday 15th October

Jellyfish Forest School Thursday 16th October

Seahorse Forest School Friday 17th October

Lockdown Presentation

Please click HERE if you would like to see the Partial Lockdown presentation that was shared with children in assembly this week.

Harvest Festival Collections 20th- 23rd October

This year Oatlands are again supporting both Runnymede and Walton & Weybridge Foodbanks. Foodbanks provide emergency food parcels to families and individuals in the local area. Please see the attached flyer for items that are needed.

There will be donation boxes in the Main and Year 2 playgrounds from school drop off on Monday 20th October to 9am on Thursday 23rd October.

Parent Consultations

The Autumn Term parent consultations will be taking place in school on:

Tuesday 14th October – 3.30-6.00 pm Thursday 23rd October – 5.00-7.30 pm

You <u>MUST</u> log into Arbor: <u>https://oatlands-surrey.uk.arbor.sc/</u> to book your own consultation. Self-booking closes at **10 pm on Sunday 12th October**.

Unfortunately, Arbor only allows us to schedule one time-slot per child. Should you require an additional time-slot (if parents are separated and cannot attend together for example), please book one slot and contact the school office to arrange the additional meeting. If you have any problems accessing Arbor or have forgotten your login details, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

We are pleased to let you know we are able to operate a creche for the following times:

Tuesday 14th October 4.00-6.00 pm Thursday 23rd October 5.00-7.30 pm

Cleves prospective Parents Evening- Tuesday 4th November

If you have a child in Year 2, you are welcome to visit Cleves school Open Evening on Tuesday 4th November 6pm-8pm. There is no need to book.

PTA Sponsored Relay: Sunday 19th October

This is your last chance to sign up for this year's sponsored relay: https://forms.gle/XPR4zx2VK7JKNYtK8 It's a great fun event for the whole family to get active on bikes, scooters or on foot, and a lovely way to find out who lives nearby.

The sponsorship page is also now open: please do support your children and the rest of the Oatlands community: JustGiving.com/campaign/oatlandsrelay2025

PTA Wine Tasting Event: Thursday 13th November

Join Oatlands PTA and Valentina for a delightful evening of wine tasting! Please visit www.pta-events.co.uk/oatlands to buy a ticket (£25pp) to include a welcome cocktail, wine tastings and tasty treats supplied by Valentina. After booking, please email table requests to ptachair@oatlands.surrey.sch.uk, there can be 4-10 people per table grouping.

Safeguarding Notice

If you have any concerns about a child's safety or wellbeing in the school or community, please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL). DSL-Tanya Mooney, Head Teacher. DSL-Phil Copsey, Deputy Head Teacher or DSL-Kelly Grindle, Nurture Lead.

Updates to the Website

Information form the Year 1 Curriculum evening has been added HERE <u>Year 1 Curriculum</u> <u>Evening - Oatlands School</u>