



OAK LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy and rewarding half term, I would like to take a moment to share some of the highlights from school life.

One of the standout events this term was our fantastic cross-country event. The children showed great determination and resilience, and it was truly heart-warming to see them supporting one another and cheering each other on throughout the event. My sincere thanks go to Mrs. Stockton and Mrs. Brown for organising such a successful and well-run occasion. I would also like to extend my gratitude to the many parent and carer volunteers whose help made the event possible, as well as to the FSA for kindly providing refreshments.

It has also been wonderful to see a range of parents and carers attend our parent workshops. We have received very positive feedback, and we hope these sessions have been helpful in supporting you to better understand your child's learning and how you can support them at home. A big thank you to Paul Cabb and all of the teaching staff for their hard work in preparing and delivering these valuable sessions.

Our pupils have continued to represent the school with pride in a range of sporting events. I was particularly impressed with one of our team's excellent achievement in the recent tag rugby competition, where they secured a well-deserved second place - congratulations to all involved!

As the term draws to a close, we hope that you are all able to enjoy a restful and happy Easter break with your families. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for what promises to be another exciting and successful term.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Ms Baron, Headteacher



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SCHOOLS LEARNING TRUST

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Water bottles—As the weather will be getting warmer, (we can only hope!) please ensure that your child/children have a named water bottle in school every day.

Parking—Please do not park across the drives of local residents, on the zigzags outside school or on corners of the roads.

Arbor- Please could we ask all parents and carers to check their personal information and address on Arbor over the Easter holidays. Thank you.

Treetops— Please ensure you book in advance whenever possible for Treetops bookings. We are unable to always guarantee a place for your child unless this has been requested in advance.



SUMMER UNIFORM

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school in summer uniform. If children prefer to wear their winter uniform, they can also do this.

Grey tailored trousers Grey tailored shorts Green checked or striped dress Grey skirt or pinafore
Short sleeved polo shirt (Year 3-6 may also chose to wear a white blouse/shirt worn open-necked)
Grey socks White socks (ankle or knee length)
Black shoes or sensible 'closed' sandals



PASSPORTS TO SUCCESS

Well done to the following children on completing their passports this half term and have had their Head Teacher's lunch.

Grace	Spruce	Bronze	Joshua	Spruce	Silver
William	Bluebells	Bronze	Nihat	Ash	Gold
Poppy	Rabbits	Bronze	Ruben	Ash	Gold
Edith	Rabbits	Bronze	Rebecca	Bracken	Gold
Cali	Robins	Bronze	Arthur	Bracken	Gold
Gaurika	Primrose	Bronze	Adrian	Spruce	Gold
Grace	Snowdrop	Bronze	Scarlett	Elm	Gold
Ricky	Snowdrop	Bronze	Maggie	Elm	Gold
Emily	Spruce	Silver	Hugo	Elm	Gold
James	Spruce	Silver	Teddy	Fir	Diamond
Daniel	Elm	Silver			
George	Willow	Silver			



MEET THE GOVERNORS

I started as a Community Governor at Oak Lodge at the start of this year and I'm really looking forward to getting involved! Working in a corporate role, I missed working in a school and an educational environment. I am also always keen to volunteer for the local community, so this was a great opportunity for me. When I applied for the role, I lived in Deptford and as my mum grew up in Kent, Oak Lodge was the perfect fit. My grandfather was a governor for a school in Bromley and so I am proud to somewhat be following in his footsteps.

By day, I work in the insurance industry and have had six years' experience both Broking and Underwriting. Currently, I am an International Casualty Underwriter at Sompo International. Previously, I was an Underwriter at AXA XL and started my career as a Product Recall Broker at Howden.

I am committed to increasing diversity and inclusion within the insurance industry and have chaired two Employee Networks throughout my career, focusing on Gender and Disability. In 2025, I was Highly Commended for 2025's Young Insurance Woman of the Year at the Women in Insurance Awards. I was nominated for my commitment to mentoring and training. I want to bring this passion for diversity and inclusion to Oak Lodge and the school community.

Prior to working in the insurance industry, I lived and worked in Hong Kong as a Graduate Teaching Assistant in a Year 1 class. Throughout my university holidays, I worked as a Residential Head of House for a summer international school and looked after foreign students who were learning English through an annual summer course. My background has always been teaching and mentoring so I am looking forward to doing more of this at Oak Lodge.



-Flora Strachan

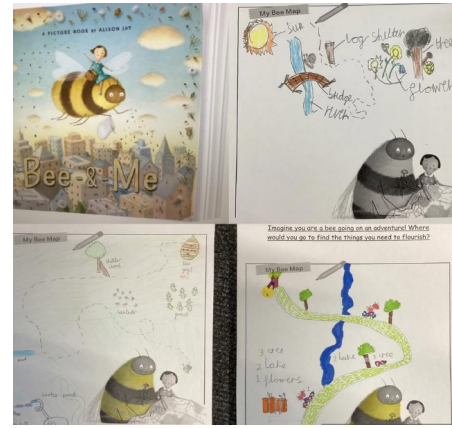
Ancient Egyptian Exploration workshop – A Thrilling Adventure for Year 4!

“On Tuesday 10th march, Year 4 had Freshwater Theatre company visit. We sat in the Oak Hall in a circle to watch the theatre show. After that we did freeze frames of Egyptian scenes. Then we split into two groups; one was story telling and the other was learning about how they lived. We also did a role play in the desert. It was really fun, I loved it!”

“On Tuesday 10th March, Year 4 had the Freshwater Theatre company visit. We started in the Oak Hall and watched a performance in a circle. In the afternoon we went into two group. One in the Oak Hall and one in the Acorn Hall. One did story telling. My favourite part was the freeze frames of our surnames.”



World book day



World Book Day was a huge success at Oak Lodge this year.

There were some fantastic costumes from both children and staff.

The children engaged in activities related to a wide range of books and were exposed to new and exciting texts.

There were organised parades, quizzes and shared class reads, where the older year groups read to the younger year groups.



WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday 20th March, we were delighted to host our whole-school cross country event. Children from EYFS through to Year 6 took part, and every single one of them was absolutely fantastic. Their enthusiasm, determination, and team spirit were a joy to see.

Mrs Stockton would like to give special thanks to the children who supported the event as marshals and hares. They were incredible role models for their peers and should feel extremely proud of the responsibility and positivity they demonstrated throughout the day.

We would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all of our parent and carer volunteers. Your support was invaluable in ensuring the event ran smoothly—days like this simply wouldn't be possible without you.

It was wonderful to see so many of our children being active and representing the school with such pride. We are already looking forward to doing it all again in 2027!

		1st place	2nd place	3rd place
EYFS	Girls	Ophelie M	Amy Mc	Maddie D
EYFS	Boys	Henry W	Louis Nam Anh	Jack B
Year 1	Girls	Giovanna I	Willow P	Tyra-Beau
Year 1	Boys	Jude W	Oliver P	Finnley S
Year 2	Girls	Milena	Wren	Madison N
Year 2	Boys	Harrison H	Oscar H	Eli W
Year 3	Girls	Ella S	Hena S	Elyzaveta
Year 3	Boys	Frankie S	Luan T	Dexter
Year 4	Girls	Jess P	Sophie B	Emilia M
Year 4	Boys	Lucas E	Moses	Kade B
Year 5	Girls	Millie B	Suki P	Omachi
Year 5	Boys	Roman	Jesse	Clinton
Year 6	Girls	Grace	Zara	Abigail
Year 6	Boys	Ben	Elliot	Danny Simp



SPORTS REPORTS

St David's Dash:

Following our own cross country event, a group of children from Years 5 and 6 proudly represented the school at the St David's Dash, hosted by a local school. They all ran tremendously, showing great determination, resilience, and excellent sportsmanship throughout.

It was particularly wonderful to see how well the children supported and encouraged one another, truly embodying our school values.

A special congratulations goes to Ben in Year 6, who achieved an impressive 3rd place and was awarded a medal at the end of the event—an outstanding accomplishment!

We are incredibly proud of all the children who took part and represented the school so brilliantly.

Crystal Palace Cross Country:

On Saturday 21st March, our Year 3 and 4 pupils took part in the renowned Crystal Palace Cross Country event, held in Crystal Palace Park and attended by schools from across Bromley. It was a fantastic opportunity to compete on a larger stage, and our children rose to the occasion brilliantly.

All of the participants performed incredibly well, showing determination, resilience, and excellent sportsmanship throughout the event. We were especially proud to see several high-placing finishes across the races.

A special congratulations goes to Jess in Year 4, who achieved an outstanding 3rd place in the Year 4 girls' race, competing against over 300 children—an incredible achievement!

Well done to all of the children who took part; you represented the school with pride and enthusiasm. Thank you to all the teacher's who came to support the children on the day.



London Gymnastic Championships:

Bella won a gold medal and now qualifies for the Regional Championships in Birmingham. Massive congratulations from us all at Oak Lodge - we will be cheering you on!



London Marathon:

Mrs Stockton will be taking part in the London Marathon on 26th April in support of Epilepsy Action.

This is a fantastic achievement, and we know she will greatly appreciate lots of cheers and encouragement on the day. Mrs Stockton is very much looking forward to sharing her experience with us afterwards.

We wish her the very best of luck as she takes on this incredible challenge!



Football Results:

Boy's A Team:

Oak Lodge vs Harris Orpington - 1-0 - WIN

A well fought game from both sides. We came out on top with a nice pattern of play after Roman crossed it into the box for Joseph to send home. A great performance from the boys.

MOTM: Joseph

Oak Lodge vs Orion Ravensworth - 0-2 - LOSS

An annoying game for the team. We unfortunately lost 2-0, but it was an evenly matched game.

MOTM: Max

Oak Lodge vs Scott's Park - 17-0 - WIN

An extremely strong game which resulted in a 16-0 win in the cup! Joseph was our top scorer with a stunning 4 goals. Well done to everyone who played!

MOTM: Teddy and Chris

Oak Lodge vs St Marks - 3-1 - WIN

We played some wonderful football during a very tough game. Our captain Elliot scored 2 penalties and Roman demonstrated a great finish against a very good goal keeper.

MOTM: Elliot (C.)

Oak Lodge vs Balgowan - 17-2 - WIN

A fantastic game from the whole team! The two top scorers were our Captain Elliot and Joseph who each scored 4 goals.

MOTM: Elliot (C.)

Girl's Football Team:

Oak Lodge vs Harris Orpington - 1-1 - DRAW

Our team played as best as we could and we drew 1-1! Orpington scored in the first half and then in the second half we scored an amazing goal and made it 1-1!

Opposition's player: Grace

Coaches player: Kara

Oak Lodge vs Bromley High - 0-1 - LOSS

We played Bromley High and our team played very well, but sadly they scored during the first half of the match. We tried our best to catch up with their score, but time ran out and their defenders were amazing!

Opposition's player: Grace

Coaches player: Kaejha

FSA UPDATES

🌸 Spring Has Sprung at Oak Lodge! 🌸

There's something magical about this time of year - brighter mornings, blossoms on the trees, and just that little bit of extra energy in the air (from both the children and the grown-ups!). We hope you're all enjoying the fresh start that spring brings and maybe a few chocolate eggs here and there too! 🍫

💛 A Big Thank You – Look What We've Raised! 💛

We've had a fantastic few weeks of fundraising - thank you so much for your continued support. Every penny truly makes a difference for our school.

- 🌟 PJ Day (13 February) - £346 raised
- 🌟 Pre-Loved Uniform Sale (19 March) - £223 raised
- 🌟 Tuck Shop (19 March) - £50 raised
- 🌟 Cross Country Event (20 March) - £120 raised

Amazing effort, everyone - we couldn't do it without you!

🐰 This Week... 🐰

Our Easter Egg Hunt was a great success! The excitement on the children's faces was clear to see, having fun hunting for their clues and choosing their egg. We hope they enjoyed the special visit from the Easter Bunny too!

🎪 After Easter – Something BIG is Coming... 🎪

Get ready... the circus is coming to Oak Lodge!

We're gearing up for Happy's Circus on 16 April (6–8pm) and it's going to be amazing. 🎪
There are only a few tickets left, so if you haven't grabbed yours yet, now's the time - once they're gone, they're gone!

🙋 We Need You! 🙋

To make events like this truly special, we rely on our wonderful volunteers. If you're able to help (even for a short time), please get in touch with the FSA.

We promise - we're a friendly, welcoming (and slightly chaotic!) bunch and would love to have you join us!

📅 Dates for Your Diary 📅

Here's what's coming up next term:

- 🗑️ 21 May – Own Clothes Day (Bottle Tombola donations)
- 🍬 17 June – Own Clothes Day (Sweet Tombola donations)
- 🎪 20 June – Summer Fete
- 🎵 9 July – Summer Discos (Reception – Year 5)
- 🌲 10 July – Year 6 Forest Fest



DIARY DATES

Thursday 16th April	Happy Circus
Wednesday 22nd April	FSA Class Rep meeting
Monday 27th-1st May	Elm class swimming
Wednesday 6th May	Year 5 Hastings Trip
Monday 11th-15th May	Year 6 SATS week
Monday 18th-22nd May	Willow class swimming
Monday 18th May	Holly class Creekside trip
Wednesday 20th May	EYFS to Godstone Farm
Thursday 21st May	FSA- Own clothes day- Tombola- bring a bottle

TERM DATES

**2025/2026
Summer**

Mon 13 Apr – Fri 22 May

HT: Mon 25 May – Fri 29 May

Mon 1 June – Tues 21 July

*Bank Holiday – Monday,
4th May*

These are the dates children are expected to be in school.

Any staff Inset days will fall outside of these dates.

We ask that all holidays are taken in the school holidays and not during term time.