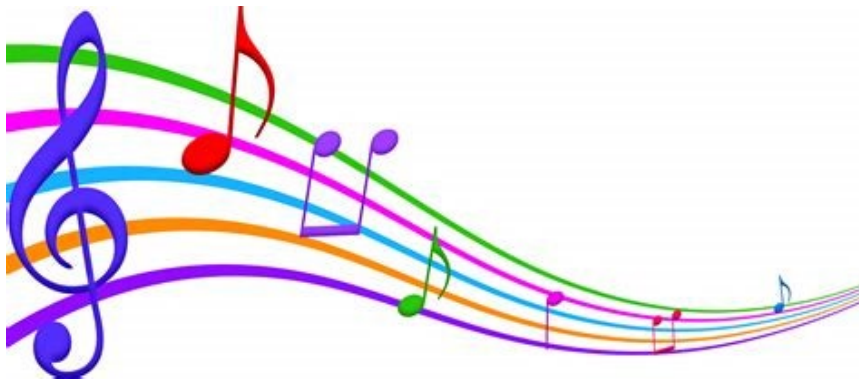




# Oakfield Schools Federation

14th October 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow, what a performance! On Wednesday, all pupils attended a fantastic music workshop in school under the theme of 'recycling and sustainability'. Members of Gateshead Music Services and the Sage Peripatetic music team performed a range of pop songs alongside classical and world music. The theme that linked all renditions was that of caring for our planet and the need to not waste its natural resources – to **Save** and **Recycle**.

I am assured by many pupils of all ages that it was both a thoroughly enjoyable event musically, and one which was thought provoking to all of us individually. It reinforced our individual responsibility to respect and protect our environment and its natural resources.

Have a great weekend

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kate Chisholm".

Kate Chisholm – Executive Headteacher

New events added are highlighted in yellow		
Date	Event	Time
19/10/22	Year 6 Bonfire Safety Workshop	10.45
20/10/22	Year 6 Tag Rugby Tournament	afternoon
21/10/22	Half Term	
22/10/22 (Sat)	Flag bearing at Sunderland Football Club	
31/10/22	Autumn 2 begins	
7/11/22	Harvest Festival collection deadline	15.30
9/11/22	Growing and changing talk – year 6	
10/11/22	Flu immunisations	All day
14/11/22	KS1 and KS2 Parent Evenings	Booking system in place
18/11/22	Children in Need / Antbullying week - wear odd socks day	
25/11/22	Non-uniform day – Christmas fayre donation day	All day
5/12/22	Christmas Fayre	15.30
7-9/12/22	Y6 Residential	
12/12/22	Reception Nativity	14.15
13/12/22	Year 1 Nativity	14.15
14/12/22	Year 2 Nativity	14.15
14-15/12/22	KS2 Pantomime visits	
16/12/22	Christmas Dinner Day	Lunchtime
16/12/22	Christmas Jumper Day (collecting for Children with Cancer UK)	All Day
w/b 19th 12/22	Christmas parties (EYFS / KS1/ KS2)	Timings to follow
22/12/22	Carols under the veranda – KS2	1.15
22/12/22	Last day of term	
23/12/22	School Closed - PD day	

2022-23 Term Dates	
Term	Dates
Autumn 1	07/09/22 – 21/10/22
Autumn 2	31/10/22 – 22/12/22
Spring 1	09/01/23 – 17/02/23
Spring 2	27/02/23 – 31/03/23
Summer 1	17/04/23 – 26/05/23
Summer 2	5/06/22 – 21/07/23

PE Days		
Year Group	Indoor	Outdoor
R	Tuesday	Friday
1	Wednesday	Thursday
2	Monday	Friday
3	Wednesday	Friday
4	Tuesday	Thursday
5	Swimming - Tuesday	Monday
6	Monday	Wednesday

## Harvest & Peoples Kitchen



**THE PEOPLE'S  
KITCHEN** est. 1985  
NEWCASTLE

The ways our Friends are forced to live are incredibly hard. They might be sleeping rough, or recently placed in housing with no belongings. Many of them don't have access to nutritious food or have no support system around them. The People's Kitchen is their safe haven. We are a constant for people whose lives can be chaotic.

We make life on the streets a little easier by sharing hot meals and packages of clothing, toiletries, food, mobile phones and sleeping bags. We work with services to enable people to move off the streets and then we provide food, furniture and bedding to our Friends when they move into their first home. We also offer friendship and professional services to improve mental wellbeing.

We will be donating all of our harvest festival produce to The Peoples Kitchen this year. **Please bring your final donations by Monday 7th**

**November.** For items listed below, we will collect and display food items from this date going forward.

Items which would be grateful received

- Cereal.
- Soup.
- Pasta.
- Rice.
- Tinned tomatoes.
- Pasta sauce.
- Lentils, beans and pulses.
- Tinned meat.
- Tinned vegetables.
- Tea.
- Coffee.
- Tinned fruit.
- Biscuits.
- UHT milk.
- Fruit juice.

## Children's Halloween Party – Tickets Going Fast!

The Gold Medal, a fantastic local supporter of Oakfield Schools Federation, are hosting a 'Kids Halloween Party' on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 4-6pm. (Your child should have come home with an information flyer tonight). The event, which is limited in number, is brilliant way to tick all the Halloween boxes with your child, while also raising funds for Oakfield. However, tickets are limited, so only allocated on a first come first served basis. You should have received an email with a Microsoft booking link. If successful, you will be contacted by school with further details, including payment. Go on, it promised to be a brilliant evening for all budding witches and ghosts!



**Parent Consultations (Years 1-6)** Week Beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November

Parent consultations for parents of pupils in Year 1 to 6 will be held on the week beginning Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November. This term, they will be face to face with the class teacher in school; each meeting will take place in your child's classroom

Bookings for these appointments will open early next week. You will be informed via email and text when booking is open. This will contain a link to book your appointment.

**Little Wandle**

The children have been working very hard to learn their letter sounds and use this knowledge to blend words when reading their books in school. The following link has advice for parents to show how we pronounce the letter sounds and how we teach in school.

<https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/>

**Time Tables Rock Stars**

All pupils in Year 3-6 have a log in for Times Tables Rockstars. Recently, a small number have said that they are having a problem access or viewing the application if downloaded on a tablet or other device. If this is the case, please download or update the application again as it has recently had an update. This will then allow all pupils to complete weekly homework tasks.

**Tempest Photos**

The photograph proofs that were brought home can be ordered online with free delivery to school as long as the order is placed by **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October**. Orders after this date will incur a delivery charge.

**Microsoft Forms**

- Gymnastic Routines Club Y6 – closes on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October noon**.
- Gold Medal Halloween Party **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October noon** (to register interest only)

## Safeguarding and attendance

Thank you for continuing to support us in our attendance.

School / Year	Autumn 1											
	Attendance	Minutes late	Attendance	Minutes late	Attendance	Minutes late	Attendance	Minutes late	Attendance	Minutes late	Attendance	Minutes late
	Week 1		Week 2		Week 3		Week 4		Week 5		Week 6	
Junior Overall	98.9 1	24 min	97.4	36 min	96.7	4 hr 48 mi	96.2	4 hr 22 min	96.0	4 hr 20 min	97.1	4 hr 47 mi
Infant Overall	95.8	7 min	97.7	27 mins	96.2	2 hr 56 min	94.1	2 hr 42 min	94.0	1 hr 29 min	95.0	3 hr 44 min
6	98.6	15 min	93.3	13 min	94.3	54 min	95.8	57 min	96.5	59 min	97.3	2 hr 51 min
5	98.6	9 min	98.5	15 min	97.2	2 hr 18 min	95.0	2 hr 18 min	94.0	1 hr 9 min	98.5	16 min
4	98.6	0 min	97.9	5 min	97.6	1 hr 27 min	97.4	1 hr	96.4	1 hr 16 min	96.1	15 min
3	99.6	0 min	99.6	3 min	97.4	9 min	96.7	7 min	97.0	56 min	96.6	1 hr 25 min
2	94.3	7 min	99.0	20 min	96.2	26 min	92.9	35 min	95.0	30 min	91.3	2 hrs
1	97.8	0 min	97.9	7 min	96.0	2 hr 30 min	95.1	1 hr 33 min	93.0	37 min	94.8	44 min
R	-	-	95.4	0 min	96.4	0 min	94.0	34 min	95.0	22 min	97.9	1 hr

Thank you again for taking the time to read our newsletter and we hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Warmest regards

Miss Chisholm - Executive Head Teacher

Miss Hartness – Executive Deputy Head

Mr Thompson – Executive Deputy Head