



Oakwood News



The more that you read,
the more you will know.
The more that you learn,
the more places you will go.

Easter Newsletter

March 2018

A Message From Our Executive Principal



I would like to wish everyone a happy Easter and hope everyone has a restful holiday. Everyone has worked very hard this term and I am very proud as always.
- Mrs Nicholson

Easter Celebrations

Tomorrow we are holding our Easter Eggstravaganza. There will be a number of stalls for you to browse, an Easter Tombola and offerings from our Sixth Form Easter café. There will also be tables set up to showcase all of the entries of our Easter hat competition (please see photo's in the centre of this page for a sneak preview) you can help by voting for your favourites. The event is free and will run at 9:30am and 10:30am. We would love to see you there!



EASTER RAFFLE

A HUGE thank you to everyone for all your support with the Easter raffle. So far we have raised £97.00 and hopefully tomorrow in the Easter event in school we will raise more for our chosen charity that supports families who have family members with Dravet Syndrome.



- Mrs Hamer

Salford Children's Book Awards

The Salford Children's Book Award was held at the Lowry Theatre in the Compass room on Friday 16th March. Six books had been short listed for pupils to read. Pupils across Salford voted for their favourite book of the six. At Oakwood Academy we had 6 pupils take part in the Awards. Saffron was selected to deliver a presentation to over 200 pupils and teachers about the book *River of Ink: Genesis* by Helen Dennis. Saffron did a fantastic job and really impressed Helen. The winner of the Salford Children's Book Awards was... drum roll please... *Murder in Midwinter* by Fleur Hitchcock.

This was the most popular title as voted for by pupils in our reading group.



JUST FOR FUN

Q: Why was the Easter Bunny so upset?

A: He was having a bad hare day!

Q: How does the Easter Bunny stay fit?

A: Egg-xercise!



A Message from our Head of School

During the Summer term Mr Marsden (and any other willing volunteers) will be undertaking a fundraising challenge to help raise money for "The Friends of Oakwood" who raise money tirelessly to make the events at school extremely special. Equipment, resources such as cakes, drinks, popcorn machines, bouncy castles and huge snow domes don't come cheap. The friends of Oakwood give up a huge amount of their time in order to make Oakwood the special place that it is. The challenge is not going to be decided by me. We want you to decide! I don't think being covered in custard or sitting in beans is enough so I have come up with three options which I would like you to vote for.

- Complete the Manchester to Blackpool bike ride (and back) - over 120miles in a day
- Complete a triathlon (which I have never attempted before)
- Cycle coast to coast from Whitehaven - navigate the lake district and arrive in Sunderland (riding approximately 70miles a day for three days)



There will be vote boxes at the Easter Eggstravaganza on the morning of the 29th March for you to help make the decision. This is your school and we really want you to help in any way you can. We appreciate everything you do.

More information on how to vote and help raise money for future Oakwood events will be sent after the Easter break.

At Oakwood Academy we encourage pupils to respect the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

PE NEWS



The Year 10 Sports Leaders took part in the **Step into Sports Event** on Wednesday at the YMCA Manchester. Paralympic Silver Medalist Rik Waddon gave an inspirational talk and supported the pupils to develop their leadership skills. Well done to all involved!



One City Boys School Football Report

The A Team had mixed results in their last game of the year. With limited opportunities to train and play this year, the team struggled against some top quality schools. Nevertheless, we managed to put some good performances

together. MOM was awarded to Teejay Heaton for his consistent high amount of energy. The B team played a total of 10 games and even though all the results didn't go their way they were superbly impressive with their effort in each game and the way they conducted themselves. With each game, their confidence grew and they were able to provide tough competition for all of their opponents. For his efforts as a goalkeeper and an outfield player, Cameron Carney was our man of the match.

Results:

0 - 0 Draw vs Kingsland,
1 - 2 Lost vs Manor Academy (scorer - H Thornton)
1 - 2 Lost vs Newbridge Group A (scorer - K Quigley)
2 - 4 Lost to St Peters (scorers - H Thornton, T Heaton)
0 - 0 Draw vs Reddish
0 - 1 Lost vs Newbridge Group B
2 - 1 **Won** vs Oaklands (scorer - T Heaton, B Cowley PEN)

On Tuesday the 20th March 2018 pupils from KS2 and KS3 entered two competitions at the **Winter Games**:

The Boccia Team - Christian Symth, Luke Kelly, TJ Taylor and Joshua Cullen. The New Age Kurling team - Billy Moynagh, Reece Piggott, Ameila Naisbitt, Kaden White and Layton McDonald. Pupils attended an opening ceremony where there was a professional skateboard show and a performance from Jake from The Voice. Pupils had a great day competing against other schools in Manchester, trying their best in all games. Pupils were very well behaved and represented school to the highest standard. All pupils received a certificate and badge at the end of the day and even met the Mayor of Tameside! A huge well done to all pupils involved.



LOST PROPERTY

We have a large amount of lost property in school. If any parent would like to check for their child's clothing, please contact the school office. Any items that have not been claimed will be donated to a charity shop.

Could parents please write their child's name on their child's uniform. It is really important that we can get belongings back to their rightful owners and this really helps us to do this.

Thank you.
School Office



BREAKFASTS

Although we provide breakfast to pupils Monday to Thursday it is not available on Fridays due to assembly taking place. Parents may provide a healthy snack for break if they wish.



Voice your opinion on your child's education



If you would like to share your view on Oakwood, you can do so at:

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

IMPORTANT DATES

School Closes: Thursday 29th March 2018

School Re-Opens: Monday 16th April 2018

May Day: Monday 7th May 2018

School Closes: Friday 25th May 2018

School Re-Opens: Monday 4th June 2018

UNIFORM

Molly's in Eccles/Peel Green has now closed for refurbishment. However **Molly's** main store in Walkden will remain open and will continue to provide our uniform. Please find addresses and contact details below:

Molly's—Walkden

19 Memorial Road

Walkden

M27 3AQ

Telephone no: 0161 790 9222



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