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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
& NURSERY UNIT

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SMARTIES FUNDRAISER

Each Oakfield pupil from Nursery to Primary 7 has been given a tube of Smarties today!



**We've given you these Smarties to eat
But the empty tube you must keep
£1 and 20p coins are what you must find
Ask friends and family, they won't mind!
Fill up your tube, right to the top,
Return it after Easter and we'll hopefully collect a lot!**

Our Smarties fundraising collection will be used to purchase new ICT equipment and other classroom resources which we really need. Thank you in advance for your support, it will definitely be very much appreciated. We will collect all filled Smarties tubes after our Easter holidays on **Wednesday 10 April 2024**.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2024

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 7 March 2024. We will be participating in lots of fun activities including:

-  Snuggle up with a good book - We appreciate that costumes can be expensive! So this year, children from Nursery-Primary 7 should come to school wearing 'something cosy'. They can also bring in their favourite book from home as each class will have the chance to 'snuggle up' with their favourite book during the day. Feel free to bring in a blanket or small teddy too!
-  Book Donation - As you can imagine, it costs a lot of money to maintain a school library...and ours desperately needs some new books! In order to help with this, if you have any children's books at home that your child no longer reads (but are still in good condition) and would like to donate them to our school library then we will happily take them off your hands! Books should be sent in to the class teacher on World Book Day or can be left in the school office if you think they would be too heavy for your child to carry.
-  Competition - Design a Finger Puppet to represent a character from a book. This week, Primary 1-7 children will be given a planning page to design their character at home. They will then use these plans in their classroom on World Book Day to create a finger puppet. Prizes will be awarded for the most creative characters in each class.
-  The children will all receive a paper copy of the Scholastic Book Club Magazine and a £1 off book token which can be redeemed against any purchase. As before, we are now paperless, so when you are ready to place your order go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/oakfield-bt38/digital-book-club> to order online. When you order through the school site, books are delivered to school and you will not be charged additional postage and packaging. Another perk is that for **every £1 you spend** on this month's Book Club, **our school will earn 20p** in Scholastic Rewards towards much needed new books for our school library. Please place your **order online by 9th March 2024**.
Many thanks to Mrs Barrow, our Language and Literacy Co-ordinator, for organising this event for us all.



SAFER SCHOOLS NI APP

We are currently focusing on 'NOW TV'.
Alongside this newsletter, please find attached a Safety Card on NOW TV.
You can access more information on Privacy Settings/Parental Locks by accessing the Safer Schools NI App.

- Login to the App
- Select 'Online Safety Guides'
- Select 'Streaming'
- Select 'NOW TV'



NURSERY UNIT NEWS



Our Nursery pupils have been learning all about teeth.

Mrs Montgomery came to visit and told us how to care for our teeth. We did a great job sorting the snacks into those that are good for our teeth and those that should only be treats!



We've also had lots of sensory play fun in our very muddy nursery garden!



OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL KS2 PUPILS TOTALLY ROCK IN NSPCC COMPETITION

Congratulations to our P5-P7 pupils who recently participated in NSPCC Rocks – a times tables competition run by Times Tables Rock Stars. NSPCC Rocks required children to correctly answer as many multiplication and division questions as possible, to give their class and school the best chance of winning.

The competition was fierce with 85,843,080 questions answered collectively by 277,401 pupils from more than 3,870 schools and 22,268 classes around the country!

Our school ranked in the top 12% which was an amazing achievement!

Pictured here are our 10 Oakfield pupils who achieved the highest scores. They were recently awarded with a certificate and small prize in assembly for their efforts.

Thank you to Mrs McMaster, our Mathematics and Numeracy Co-ordinator for arranging our participation in this worthwhile competition



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