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OAKFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Monday 28th January 2019

Final Call for Nursery & Primary One Applications for 2019

The application process is predominantly online this year, for children wishing to start at our Nursery Unit or Primary One in **September 2019**. A parental portal on the Education Authority website of www.eani.org.uk/admissions is currently available until **Thursday 31st January 2019 @ midnight**. The further date of **Friday 8th February 2019 @ 12 Noon** has been set for parents to provide their first preference School/Nursery with verifying documents, such as birth certificates. The school has access to paper copies of the application form for anyone encountering difficulties with the online application process. *N.B. Please do not hesitate in asking for assistance.*

January Assessments 2019

Assessments are ongoing this week. Please ensure your child is getting quiet time and space to go over learning in preparation for these. Areas of good progress and those for future development will be highlighted at parent-teacher interview times.

School Uniform, Mobile Phones & Medicines

We remind all parents to ensure pupils are adhering to our school uniform policy. Earrings should not be worn to school and children will be asked to remove them. Safe school shoes should be worn and not fashion boots/shoes or trainers. Children should not bring mobile phones to school. Medicines should not be sent to school with children. Parents are requested to hand over medication to staff prior to the start of the school day as per Department of Education guidelines.

February Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent/teacher interviews will take place for all pupils from **Monday 11th - Friday 15th February 2019 from 1.15pm - 3.30pm**. Both the Primary School and Nursery Unit will close at **1.00pm** to facilitate interviews. **Please list at least two preferences (1st , 2nd , 3rd , 4th , 5th) in the appropriate box to indicate which days you prefer for your parental interview with the class teacher.** If you have more than one child at the school, please indicate the other teachers' names below. Please return the reply slip to the class teacher by **Friday 1st February 2019**. Mr McCluskey will meet with parents of Primary Seven pupils between **Monday 28th January 2019 - Tuesday 5th February 2019** to complete transfer to secondary education forms.

Half-Term Holiday

Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit will be closed from **Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February 2019** for the half-term holiday and will re-open at usual times on **Monday 25th February 2019**.

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(Please turn over)

(School Information for Parents : Oakfield Designated Teacher for Child Protection - Miss L. Gilmour)



Interview Reply Slip

Child's Name: _____

Other teacher 1 _____

Other teacher 2 _____

Other teacher 3 _____

Monday 11th February 2019: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Tuesday 12th February 2019: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Wednesday 13th February 2019: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Thursday 14th February 2019: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Friday 15th February 2019: 1.15pm - 3.30pm

Oakfield PS Nursery Unit events

Friday 8th February—'PJ Day'. To celebrate the 'Big Bedtime Read', children are asked to come in their pyjamas. Grown-ups are invited at **1:15 for Stay and play- 'Big Bedtime Read' session.**

☐ **Monday 11th - Friday 15th February** - Parent / Teacher Interviews

Nursery will finish at **1pm** on these days (door open from 12.50pm)

Please allow extra time for your journey as the whole school will be finishing at this time and the car park will be much busier than usual.

☐ **Monday 18th - Friday 22nd February inclusive** - Oakfield Primary School and Nursery Unit will be closed for half-term holiday and will reopen on **Monday 25th February**. Times as normal.

☐ **TBC-** Monkstown dental practice will be visiting nursery to talk to the children about the importance of good dental hygiene

☐ **Tuesday 26th February-** come along and join us for 'Rhythm and Rhyme' with Gillian from the local library. **10am for Mrs Baker/Keaveney's class and 10.30am for Mrs Wylie's class.**

After School Clubs

Our after schools programme is now up and running again. All clubs are full! Please check our website for the dates of the 10 weeks when all clubs will be on. We are indebted to our teaching staff who continue to offer this wide range of after school provision free of charge.

School Council News - Portrait Bonanza!

School Council are creating a 'Portrait Bonanza' for Friendship Week. Nursery to P7 pupils are asked to bring in a photograph or drawing of themselves with a friend BY FRIDAY 8th FEBRUARY to enable a gallery to be created by School Council. All photographs/pictures will be displayed in a gallery in the assembly hall. Each class will receive one letter from the word friendship. They will record qualities or activities that are associated with friendship. These can be written, drawn or stuck on/in by the teacher/pupils. During friendship week all classes will have an opportunity to view the friendship gallery.

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