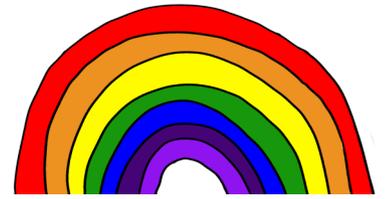




The Oaks Primary School
Bringing Learning to Life



Monday 6th July

Weekly Newsletter

Please **DO NOT** use the car park at pick up and drop off times—Staff are working different timed shifts to cover the extended day in Key Worker Club and need to be able to park their cars without waiting for parents to move their cars.
Please support us and park on the road.... THANK YOU!

Zoom Assemblies

This week's assembly will be 11.15am on Tuesday. Thank you.

Polo Shirts for PE

If your child is attending school at the moment and you have ordered a PE Polo Shirt please send in your money in a named envelope.

(Correct change only please!) £6.50 per Polo Shirt.

We are expecting a delivery soon and will send Polo Shirts home once we have received payment.

If your child is NOT currently attending school and you have ordered a Polo Shirt we will be in touch next week when they have arrived in school.

Thank you.

Please remember to send your child with a drinks bottle each day!

School will be closed to all children on Friday 17th July

I sincerely apologise for any inconvenience this causes and realise that parents with work commitments will now have to make alternative arrangements on that day.

Our maintenance works are starting on Monday 20th July and there is a significant amount of work that needs to be done to clear classrooms across all areas of school meaning it is not safe to have children in school that day.

Writing

Please find opportunities to support your child with their writing over the next few weeks.

Younger children can practise activities to support **fine and gross motor skills** that are so vital for writing development. These muscles are key for early writing.

Ideas include:

- Jigsaws
- Lego or construction
- Playing with pegs
- Locks and keys
- Threading beads or paper clips
- Painting with paint brushes and water outside
- Drawing with chalks outside
- Hama beads
- Making patterns with counters
- Playdoh
- Climbing at the playground

Encourage your child to pick up a pencil and write or draw.

Giving children a purpose to write will encourage them and motivate them, frequently and often doing a little writing each day.

Ideas to write include:

- Writing a shopping list
- Writing a postcard to a friend
- Writing a letter
- Keeping a diary and writing two sentences a day about what they have done
- Writing labels or signs
- Drawing pictures
- Making a card and writing a message.
- Creating a comic strip
- Writing a set of instructions
- Writing on post it notes

When children are writing ask them to think about their letter size and formation. Children in Year 1 and above need to think about capital letters and full stops. Older children can be considering other punctuation and how to sound out or spell words.

Any writing your child can do over the next few months will support them getting back

