



Oaklands Junior School

Learning to think - Thinking to learn

NEWS UPDATE 25th May 2018

Bus Update – Can You Help?!

Over the last few months, a number of staff and Governors have been working to get the bus onto the school site, including planning and preparing where it is going to be situated. Unfortunately, we are currently waiting for the bus company to drain the engine before we can bring it here. We are hoping though that this will be resolved in the very near future.

In the meantime, we have a number of requests for help:

- Do you own a valet company or know one that would be willing to clean the inside of the bus for free / at a discounted price? We can clean it ourselves but we thought a company would have more appropriate equipment.
- Do you have a wheelchair access ramp/slope that you no longer use or do you know a company that would be willing to donate one?
- Do you have any cushions or beanbags that you no longer need?
- Do you have an old portable CD-player / stereo with CD which we could use in the bus or in the library as a way of listening to audiobooks?

Please contact Mr Lee if you are able to say, “Yes!” to any of these questions.

The Daily Mile

Since launching the Daily Mile a few weeks ago, children and adults alike have spent 15 minutes at least twice a week running or walking round our blue marked track on the field. Not only are children out in the fresh air exercising, we have already noticed the benefits in class. It has been a great time for classes to meet with other classes and for children to talk to each other as they go round. I have also heard some lovely comments from children as they encourage their friends.

Royal Wedding Tea Party

Thank you to our parents for your support, with food requests and also for being with us on the field on a sunny Friday afternoon. It was fabulous to see so many families joining us, including pre-school children from Acorns and our infants & juniors together too. HUGE THANKS must go to our PTA for organising such a big event and for supplying the cream and jam for the scones!

Year 5 Trip to the River Pang and Rushall Farm

On Tuesday the 22nd May, Year 5 had a fantastic field trip to the River Pang. The weather was beautiful, which was lucky, as several children decided to investigate the river a little too closely! During the day, children donned giant waders to map and measure the river. They netted the river to investigate the water life. Mr Hill managed to catch a foreign invader; an American Crayfish. The children moved to a different part of the Pang to sketch and label a meander. After the river work, there was pond dipping. Everyone had a brilliant day and a big thank you to the parents that came to help.