

Oakengates Nursery School



Newsletter

Spring Term: Week 5

Dear Parents,

This week, we've embarked on an exciting journey with the classic tale of 'The Little Red Hen'.

Through this traditional story, the children have explored important themes that link to our expectations, such as teamwork (we are kind), responsibility (we look after our property) and the value of hard work (we work hard).

As it is not long until we move to our new nursery site after half term, we have all been busy preparing for this exciting time. If you would like some ideas of things to do during that week, Telford and Wrekin Council are providing lots of exciting activities for young children; details are at the end of the newsletter.

Have a fabulous weekend!

Kind Regards,

Hannah Firmstone

Early Years Lead & SENCo

IMPORTANT NEWS



We are delighted to announce that our nursery is on the move!

From Monday 24 February 2025, we will be welcoming our children and families to our brand-new setting at **Charlton Street, Oakengates, TF2 6BT** – just half a mile down the road from the current site.

Our team will be working hard over the half-term week to ensure everything is ready for a warm and inviting learning environment.

We can't wait to open our doors and create new memories together in our wonderful new space!

Keep an eye out for further updates, and we look forward to seeing you soon.

**Mrs Jenny Gascoigne,
Executive Headteacher
and**

The Oakengates Nursery School Team

Follow the link to our website below, for more photos:

<https://www.oakengatesnurseryschool.co.uk/>

CHINESE NEW YEAR





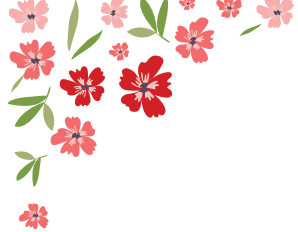


We had so much fun celebrating Chinese New Year last week. One of the most exciting parts was the dragon dance we performed using dragon heads we made ourselves, using recycled materials. Another fun activity was playing with red playdough. Red is a special colour for the New Year because it stands for happiness and good fortune. And of course, we couldn't forget about the yummy food! Eating traditional Chinese dishes like noodles and spring rolls was a treat and it helped us to learn about the rich culture of China.





KEY DATES



Date	Event
Friday 14th February	 Valentines Day
Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February	Nursery closed to all children
Monday 24th February	Grand Opening of the new nursery 
Sunday 30th March	 Mothers Day
Tuesday 1st April	Incredible Eggs delivering duckling eggs 
Friday 11th April	End of Term 



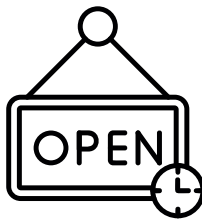
SOCIAL MEDIA

Click on the image to access our facebook page



Your Child's Learning

Don't forget to check out our website to find out about all the exciting things the children have been learning about this week:



Admin Office Opening Hours

The office operates from Monday to Thursday, with opening hours from 7:30 AM to 3:45 PM.

On Fridays, the office closes earlier, at 1:00 PM.

Should you need assistance or have any inquiries outside of these hours, you can call the out-of-hours phone on **07340 751171**.

This ensures that support or urgent matters can be attended to even when the office is closed.





EARLY HELP



**Check out the Better Health,
Healthier families website!**



This useful website has food facts, recipes, activities and information of children's weight.

[HTTPS://WWW.NHS.UK/HEALTHIER-FAMILIES/](https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/)

**Shropshire and Telford and Wrekin
Dental Advice Line**

Do you have an urgent dental problem or need dental advice?



Are you looking for an NHS dentist for routine care?

Monday to Friday
0800-2100

01743 237916

Shropshire Community Health 

**Telford Public Health Nursing
Service**
Healthy you, Healthy Future

Telephone Number
0333 358 3328

Text 07520 619 053

School nurse 07520 619 051

Follow on twitter

@ShropPHNurse

Open 9am-4.30pm

excluding bank holidays



Parents Opening Doors
'Together we can make a difference'
<https://www.podstelford.org/>



Telford and Wrekin

FAMILY HUBS

Right help at the right time

Did you know that 'The Oak Family Hub' is located at The Wakes and offers free help and support to residents who are navigating their way through parenting?



INTERNET SAFETY

Safer Internet Day

Online safety training for parents and guardians by West Mercia Police

Learn more about the dangers of kids being online and how you can help to keep them safe.

Join our free one hour online parent awareness session to give yourself a head start in an ever changing digital world.

Date: Tuesday 11 Feb 2025

Time: 10am

Location: Microsoft Teams via Eventbrite

Sign up to the Eventbrite session by clicking on the following link:
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/online-safety-child-exploitation-session-for-parents-and-guardians-tickets-1123477364039?aff=oddtcreator>



Protect our children!

FAMILY SUPPORT

**Are you or your partner
expecting a baby or have a child
under two?**

**You can access support, information and
guidance from our team !**

We can help with a wide range of topics such as:

- Finances
- Childcare
- Emotional Wellbeing
- Mental Health
- Activities and Support
- Social Isolation
- Relationships
- Confidence building

For more information from the Social Prescribing Team
please call 07434 869248
or email perinatal@telford-mind.co.uk



FAMILY SUPPORT



**TELFORD CHILDREN'S
AUTISM HUB**



Pre-Diagnosis Launch Celebration

Wednesday 19th February

Drop in any time between 10am and 2pm.

Come along and celebrate our extended offer with us! We are now open to accept families who have children and young people (0-18 years) who are on the pre-diagnosis pathway for Autism!



Meet the team

Information stands

Arts and Crafts for Families and Children

Refreshments

Toys/Activities for Children and Young People

Get in touch to book:
Email: childrensautism@tandwcv.org.uk
Call 01952 262062

Telford and Wrekin
CVS
Suite 12 & 15
Hazledine House
Telford Centre
TF3 4JL





EARLY HELP



FEBRUARY HALF TERM

Monday 17 February -
Sunday 23 February

£2
ACTIVITIES
AVAILABLE*

*TLC and Resind FIND OUT HOW TO GET ONE HERE

Holiday Activity Programme

£2 ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Abraham Darby Sports and Leisure Centre						
1-2pm	1-2pm	1-2pm		1-2pm	2-3pm	1.30-2.30pm
Fun & Floats**	Fun & Floats**	Fun & Floats**		Fun & Floats**	Fun & Floats**	Fun & Floats**
					1-3pm	1-3pm
					£1pp Badminton court hire available	
Lawley and Horsehay Village Golf and Fitness Centre						
2-3pm						
Driving Range**						
Newport Swimming and Fitness Centre						
1-2pm	1-2pm	1-2pm	1-2pm			1-2pm
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Oakengates Leisure Centre						
1-1.45pm	1-1.45pm	1-1.45pm	1-1.45pm	1-1.45pm	1.15-2pm	1.15-2pm
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					1-3pm	1-3pm
					£1pp Badminton court hire available	
Telford Snowboard and Ski Centre						
12.30-1pm	12.30-1pm	12.30-1pm	12.30-1pm	12.30-1pm		
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					All children under 8 must be accompanied by a responsible person aged 16yrs+ *Arms and legs must be covered and gloves are essential. No sandals/flip-flops.	
Telford Tennis Centre						
2-3pm						
Tennis						

BOOK ONLINE HERE