

# Oakengates Nursery School



## Newsletter

### Spring Term: Week 9

Dear Parents,

We are excited to announce that we will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day and Comic Relief this week!

On Friday, we encourage all children to join in the fun by wearing red to support Comic Relief. It's a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together, spread joy, and participate in a great cause.

While Friday will be all about the red, we will also incorporate elements of St. Patrick's Day throughout the week, with activities and lessons highlighting Irish culture and heritage.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement.

Kind Regards,

*Hannah Firmstone*

Early Years Lead & SENCo



## PARKING AT NURSERY



When picking up your child from nursery, we kindly ask you to be mindful of our neighbors.

Parking can sometimes be a challenge, but if there are spaces on our car park please do use them, rather than parking on the road. If our car park is full, please consider using the public car park on Bridge Street.

It provides a convenient option, with a short path leading directly to the nursery.

Your co-operation in this matter helps us maintain good relations with the community and ensures safety for everyone. Thank you for your understanding and support.





# KEY DATES

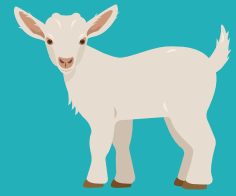


Date	Event
Saturday 14th March	Holi - the festival of colour
Monday 17th March	 St Patrick's Day
Tuesday 18th March	Global Recycling Day 
Friday 21st March	 Comic Relief -  Wear something red
Sunday 30th March	 Mothers Day
Tuesday 1st April	Incredible Eggs delivering duckling eggs 
Friday 11th April	Easter Bonnet Parade Last day of term
Sunday 20th April	Easter 





## ADVICE FOR PARENTS ON VISITING SETTINGS INVOLVING ANIMALS



All animals naturally carry a range of micro-organisms, some of which can be transmitted to humans, where they may cause ill health.

Some of these, such as E. coli O157 or Cryptosporidium (Crypto), present a serious health hazard and have the potential to cause serious illness which may be particularly severe in young children. We have received the following advice from the health protection hub, when visiting attractions



involving animals:

Children should wash their hands in the following situations:

1. After contacting animals,
2. Before eating,
3. Before and after using play equipment,
4. When leaving the site.



It can help to explain why they must wash their hands thoroughly in these situations and to show them what proper hand washing looks like.

There is no substitute for proper **hand washing** with soap and running water – it doesn't work against Crypto.





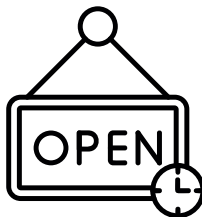
## SOCIAL MEDIA

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 **NHS**

**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/>



**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?





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# INTRODUCTION TO CHILD BEHAVIOUR

This is a **FREE** introductory course to support adults in understanding why children behave the way they do and develop strategies to manage behaviour.

**Eligibility: Adults aged 19+**

**Start Date:** Wednesday 12th March 2025  
**End Date:** Wednesday 9th April 2025  
**Start time:** 9:30 - 11:45am  
**Duration:** 5 weeks  
**Location:** The Wakes, Theatre Square,  
Oakengates, TF2 6EP



To **register** your interest,  
please text/call **07866 619328**  
or visit [www.learntelford.ac.uk](http://www.learntelford.ac.uk)



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## 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](mailto:perinatal@telford-mind.co.uk)**





## Invitation to *Tots Talking*

Toddlers learn to talk from their family and the people around them.

Come to *Tots Talking* to find out information and activities to support you to help your two year old get a head start at nursery and school.

Each session lasts for 1 hour a week for 8 weeks.


**Date:** Starting 24/02/25 for 5 weeks

**Time:** 10-11am

**Place:** Hollinswood community Centre

**To find out more information contact:**

[izzie.till@telford.gov.uk](mailto:izzie.till@telford.gov.uk) - please email to book your space



Do you want to find out more about...

How you can help your two year old with talking and learning?

What helps children do well at nursery and school?

How children learn to communicate and behave?

