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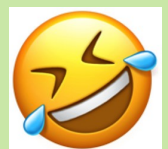
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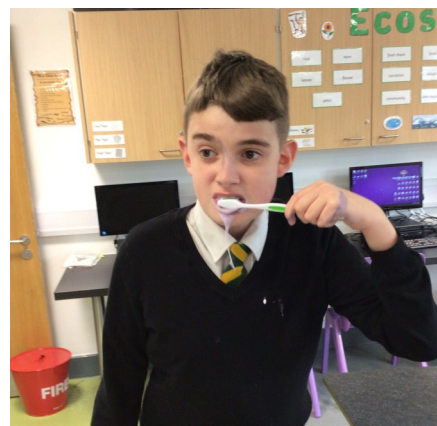
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# Half Term Recap...

## World Oral Health Day: 22nd April

Miss Swindells led a special assembly this week to celebrate World Oral Health Day. Science lessons also focussed around this important part of our personal health; there were competitions to see who could clean their teeth the best and a colouring competition too. Don't forget to brush your teeth twice a day!



## Residentials: 27th April



We had a quieter few days in school when Year 7 and Year 10 both went to Wales for their residentials. The year 7s slept in dorms and the year 10s braved the April weather and camped in tents! Both year groups took part in loads of activities. Find out more about it on pages 6 and 7!

## St. Luke's assembly: 5th May

We were joined by Rachel and her giant teddy bear from St. Luke's Hospice in assembly. They came to teach us more about this local charity and how we are raising money for them this half term. Read the full article on page 10.





# Club Focus...

## **The Choirs!**

*Led by Miss Howbrigg, the school choirs have always been a huge part of Oaklands School, regularly performing at concerts and shows throughout the year. After the safety restrictions of Covid limiting the choir rehearsals, finally, they are meeting altogether!*



Miss Howbrigg says...

“Oaklands School Choir is open to any student in years 7-12. We are currently working on a selection of songs that we will perform at this year's Cheshire Show which is on Wednesday 22nd June 2022! This will be the first public performance that the school choir have taken part in since 2019 - before the pandemic! We are learning around 9 songs for this event and the repertoire includes ‘A Million Dreams’ and ‘This Is Me’ from The Greatest Showman.

“Oaklands School Chamber Choir is a smaller group of invited students, who have all demonstrated a talent in music and/or singing. These students are put through their paces during lunchtime rehearsals and sing repertoire that includes more parts - we rarely sing in unison. Chamber Choir will also be performing at The Cheshire Show and we have some other performances to look forward to as well.”

*The main choir meets every Monday and Wednesday lunchtime in Miss Howbrigg's room.*

# KS4 Options

*In Years 10 and 11, students work towards a qualification in a subject they choose, otherwise known as Options. These subjects are chosen with future careers in mind and are a great first step for further qualifications at college.*

*It's that time of year when Year 9 and 10 students start to choose their Options ready for next year. We asked this year's Year 10 and 11s what they thought of their Options studied this year...*

## **Animal Care - Mrs Meachin**

(Entry Level 3 Award skills for Working Life in Land Animals)

*"I chose this because I love animals" - Matilda*

*"I enjoy looking after the different animals in class" - Conan*

*"My favourite lessons are when people bring their dogs in" - Alicia.*



**Some of our students are going to Reaseheath College next year to study Animal Care even more!**

## **Childcare – Mrs Whitfield**

(Entry level 3 Award in Caring for a Child)

*"I chose this because I wanted to learn how to look after children" - Matthew*

*"I enjoyed tasting the baby food in a lesson and going to parks to look at the play equipment" - Braedyn*

*"I hope to go to college and become a teacher" - Rebecca*



**One of our students is off to college to do a Level 1 qualification in Childcare next year.**

### **Hair & Beauty – Mrs Sutcliffe**

(Entry Level 3 Award in Hair and Beauty)

*"I chose this because I like doing make up and nails. My favourite lesson was when we did 80s themed make up! I want to go to college and study hair and beauty when I leave Oaklands"* - Paige



**Some students who have studied this now have jobs in the beauty industry!**

### **Hospitality & Catering – Miss Howbrigg**

(Entry Level 3 Award skills for working life in hospitality and catering)

*"I chose this because I didn't know how to cook. My favourite was making Christmas cakes"* - Leon



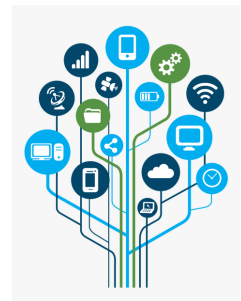
*"I enjoy washing up and cooking. I like cooking main meals"* - Níall

**This is always a popular choice and some of our students have jobs in this industry after getting this qualification.**

### **ICT – Mrs Condliffe**

(Entry Level 3 Award in Online basics)

*"I chose this because I like doing computer stuff. I enjoy coding lessons. My favourite lesson was working with little chips."* - Harry



**This is a great qualification for many future careers.**

### **Sport - Mr Poole**

(Level 1 Award Skills for Professions in Sport)

*"I chose this because I want to get fit and strong. I enjoy going to the gym in the lessons. My favourite lesson was planning a mini sports day."* - Thomas



**This qualification also includes paperwork and theory, not just physical sports, but is great for anyone interested in fitness.**

# Year 7 Residential!

*We asked the Year 7's about their recent residential to Wales. Here's what they told us...*

The best moment was when I did the campfire and the food was amazing. My favourite food was hot dogs it was delicious. The burgers were tasty and the ice cream was so creamy.

**CALLUM**

The activities which I enjoyed were the high ropes and low ropes. And my favourite moment was getting drowned by George!

**CATHRINE**

My favourite moment was on the last day when we did canoeing. My proudest moment was the campfire when the teachers were singing.

**KIAN B**

My favourite moment was the campfire and I liked the marshmallows. My proudest moment was when I tried the night line.

**PHOEBE**

**ZAC**

The best moment was doing canoeing, high ropes also the low ropes and the campfire. The food was yummy, delicious and the barbecue was yummy.

My favourite moment was the campfire because we could eat marshmallows. My proudest moment was when I went in the water and pulled a small boat.

**KIAN H**

My favourite part was the high and low ropes because it was scary but fun. The food was nice and the food we had at the BBQ was burgers and sausages.

**WILLOW**



# Year 10 Residential!

*Meanwhile, the Year 10's experience was less about the food...*

My favourite food was pizza and the BBQ it was yummy!

My proudest moment was helping friends.

**JAYDEN**

The activities we did were river walking, raft building, archery, mountain biking and caving.

The night time was freezing cold!

**RUBI**

My favourite moment was sleeping in a tent.

My proudest moment was helping Kelsey fall in the river!

**SOPHIE**

The activities I did were river walking, biking, raft building and caving.

**NATASHER**

My favourite moment was river walking and cave crawling. The night was A LIVING HELL!

**BRAEDYN**

My favourite moment was when we were river walking me and Aaron were helping Braedyn because he kept falling. It was really cold in the night but we put layers on and we then got nice and warm.

**LUCA**

My favourite moment was the caving activity we did. My proudest moment was the caving as well.

**ETHAN**

My favourite moment was when Mrs Staniforth fell over on the river walk. The activities I did were river walking and mountain biking, caving and mountain climbing.

**HAYDEN**





# Ten Minutes with...

In each newspaper we interview a teacher, spending 10 minutes firing questions at them to get to know them.

This issue, we spend 10 minutes with Mr Poole! He has the pleasure of teaching every single one of you for P.E.

1. What has been your most memorable experience at Oakland's?

*Mrs Staniforth and teaching young people.*

2. What have you most enjoyed about being a teacher?

*Seeing young people everyday.*

3. What was your first ever job?

*My first ever job was working in a butchers.*

4. What was your favourite subject at school?

*My favourite subjects were PE, Maths and Art.*

5. What do you like doing outside of school?

*Spending time with family and training.*





6. Do you have any pets?

None

7. If you were an animal, what animal would you be?

Shark because it's a predator and lives a stress free life.

8. Where do you like going on holiday?

Rome in Italy.



**Speed round:** What's Your Favourite...

Colour: Purple



Animal: Crocodile

Sport: Football

Food: Pizza

Take away: Indian

Drink: Diet Coke

TV show: Master Chef

Film: Harry Potter



# Charity of the Half Term...



## **Introduction.**

St Luke's Hospice is a charity that looks after people who are very sick or near the end of their lives. This amazing charity was founded in the year of 1983 by Harold Has-sall & Jim Littlemore. In 1988, The Princess of Wales, "Princess Diana", officially opened St Luke's Hospice to look after very sick people to this day.



## **What do they do?**

The Hospice has very special carers, nurses and doctors there that look after people who are very sick or near to the end of their life. Patients in the hospice can walk around and explore the hospital if they want for their medical needs.

## **What do they Offer?**

The Hospice also welcomes everyone who visits there if they want to visit someone they know well who is facing a life shortening illness. So you still have a close friend by your side being taken care of by the hospice!

## **Events They Host**

In specific times of the year, the hospice hosts different events to raise money for them. These events can be walks, skydives, abseiling, fun games or even challenges if you want to really compete. After events, the hospice receives lots and lots of money from these events that go towards people who have life threatening illnesses. The hospice actually costs about £3 Million to fully run each year!



## **How are Oaklands going to support St Luke's Hospice?**

All of us students will have a St Luke's Bus money box given to us, you need to put your spare change of money in the box to support St Luke's Hospice. There will also be a raffle ticket event in school where you can win prizes to also support St Luke's Hospice. The prizes can be things that people don't want anymore, and one of us could win it. Each raffle ticket we buy, the more money is raised for the charity!

Written by Lewis W Y12



# The Queen's Jubilee!



This summer around the UK, all people celebrate the Queen's jubilee. This means our Queen has been on the throne for 70 years!



## What is the Jubilee?

On 5<sup>th</sup> of June this year, we will celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee to recognise that the Queen has been on the throne for 70 years. Queen Elizabeth is the very first British Queen to celebrate a platinum Jubilee. Because The Queen was very young when she became Queen and the Queen is very old now she is 96 years old. The Queen has celebrated the following:

25 years is a Silver Jubilee.

50 years is a Golden Jubilee.

60 years is a Diamond Jubilee.

## How is it going to be celebrated?

On June 2<sup>nd</sup> there will be Trooping the Colour there are 1,400 soldiers, 200 horses, 400 musicians will come from Buckingham palace.

Platinum Jubilee pageant will happen on 5<sup>th</sup> June they will parade from Buckingham Palace.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> June they will be having a party at the palace and it will be on the BBC.

People in the UK are invited to share friendship, food and fun with neighbours as part of the platinum Jubilee celebrations. People all over the country will be having street parties, town parties and schools will be celebrating in their own way all over the country.



## The Commonwealth

There are 54 countries in the commonwealth and they will all be celebrating the Queen's Jubilee this summer in their own way. For example, countries will be having street parties, festivals and carnivals. In the commonwealth there will be torches lit in capital cities on 2<sup>nd</sup> June to celebrate.



## Fact file

- ◇ Queen Elizabeth is our Queen
- ◇ King George V was the Queen's dad
- ◇ Prince Charles is the Queen's eldest son
- ◇ The Queen has 2 birthdays: She was born at 2:40 am on 21<sup>st</sup> of April 1953 and she was crowed in 1953 on June 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- ◇ Her favourite dog is a Welsh corgi.
- ◇ The Queen never went to school.
- ◇ The Queen lives in Buckingham palace in London, but she has many other houses.



By Olivia P Y12

# Home-baking...

*To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee, have a go at making this British classic meal of Bangers and Mash! The Hospitality and Catering group made it and the Year 12's certainly recommend it too*

*Recipe taken from [www.bbcgoodfood.co.uk](http://www.bbcgoodfood.co.uk)*

## You Will Need:

- 4X Sausages
- Olive oil
- 4X Large Potatoes
- 1 tsp Milk
- 1 tsp Margarine
- seasoning
- 1X Onion
- Gravy Granules



## Method

1. Preheat the oven to 160°C.
2. Heat the oil in the dish. After the oil has been heated, add the sausages to the dish and put in the oven for 40 minutes, turning them half way through.
3. Meanwhile, peel the potatoes, cut them into chunks and boil for 20 minutes until soft.
4. When the potatoes are cooking, peel and chop the onions.
5. Fry onions until soft.
6. Make the gravy using boiling water and add to the softened onions.
7. Drain potatoes using the colander. Put the potatoes back in the pan and mash. Add in the butter and milk. Season with salt and pepper.
8. Serve the mashed potato and sausages on the plate and spoon over the onion gravy.



# Take A Break to Chill.



*If I was the King or Queen, I would...*

# Have a giggle at these royalty-themed jokes!



Why is England the wettest country?

Because the Queen has reigned for years!



Where does the Queen keep her armies?

Up her sleeve!



What has six legs, four ears and a suit of armour?

—A king on horseback!

If you have a funny joke,  
hand it to Mrs Whitfield; it  
could be in the next issue of  
our newspaper!

Where do kings and queens get  
crowned?  
On their heads!



When is a piece of wood like a queen?

When it's the ruler!



  
Cleaning  
Queens

Knock! Knock!  
Who's there?  
Queen?  
Queen who?  
Queen your room. It's  
filthy!

# Puzzle Page!

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# WANTED

Do you have a funny joke? 

A yummy recipe? 

A great puzzle? 

Any news? 

A review of a book, film, game or day out? 

**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!**

*If you have any ideas for the next issue of the school newspaper, have a chat to the Year 12's or Mrs Whitfield!*