Welcome to Oak Grange Nursery and Primary School

Our school values

Our vision is that the children of Oak Grange develop lifelong values that enable them to lead fulfilling lives.
That they are ***curious*** to seek out new experiences and know the wonder of the world.
That they know how to build positive and ***kind*** relationships so that they may thrive.
That they have ***respect*** for themselves, for others , for their community and for the wider world.
These values will underpin the ethos of our school. We would promote these values from children and all adults that make up the Oak Grange "family".

Our vision

"Together may we give our children the roots to ***grow*** and the wings to fly."

Global Citizens

Right attitudes for life

One of a Kind

Wonder and Awe

Oak Grange Primary School

Global citizens- We will develop an eco-friendly school from day one and learn how we can look after our local environment of school and community as well as the wider world.

Right attitudes for life - We will develop lifelong learning attitudes , enabling our children to be Resilient, Reciprocal, Resourceful, Reflective and Responsible

One of a kind - We will celebrate each child as an individual and nurture self- worth and a sense of identity.

Wonder and awe - We will embrace enquiring minds, encourage curiosity, promote creativity and develop new knowledge and skills.

Activate Windows

Our learning attitudes

At Oak Grange we want to inspire lifelong learners. We want to equip our children to lead full and meaningful lives. To have attitudes that will enable them to achieve, to thrive and to contribute positively to those around them and with the wider world.

We believe that the five attitudes we promote enable children, not only to learn effectively but, to engage in life successfully.

Who's who

Mrs Coleman
Headteacher

Mr Jones
Deputy Headteacher
Aspen Teacher

Mrs Love
EYFS Lead and Birch Teacher

Mrs Lane
SENCO
Nursery Teacher

Miss Parnall
Oliver Teacher

Mrs Kaur
Teacher
(Maternity leave 26-27)

Mrs Guilford
Maple Teacher

Miss Martin
Willow Teacher

Mrs Dhariwal
Aspen Teacher

Mrs Bayliss
PPA and Cover Teacher

Miss Haywood
Senior Teaching Assistant
ELSA Co-ordinator

Mrs Mitchell
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Hitch
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Robinson
Teaching Assistant

Miss Palusiak
Teaching Assistant
(Maternity Leave 26/27)

Miss King
Teaching Assistant

Miss Kilner
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Austins
Teaching Assistant
After School Club

Miss Brand
Teaching Assistant

Mrs Shelley
Office Administrator

Mrs Mills
School Business Manager

Who's who

Mr Barker
Head Cook

Mrs Moore
Kitchen Assistant

Mrs Edwards
Midday Supervisor

Mrs Davey
Midday Supervisor

Miss Pearson
Midday Supervisor

Mrs Brown
Midday Supervisor

Mrs Lin
Midday Supervisor
After School Club

Sammy
Caretaker

Our Classes

Our classes are named after trees.

Nursery
Acorn class

Reception
Birch

Reception
Willow

Year 1
Olive

Year 1 / 2
Maple

Year 2
Aspen

Year 3
Acer

Our school day

Start of the day

Gates open 8:50am Gates closed 9:00am

School start time 9:00am (the children need to be in class ready for the register by this time)

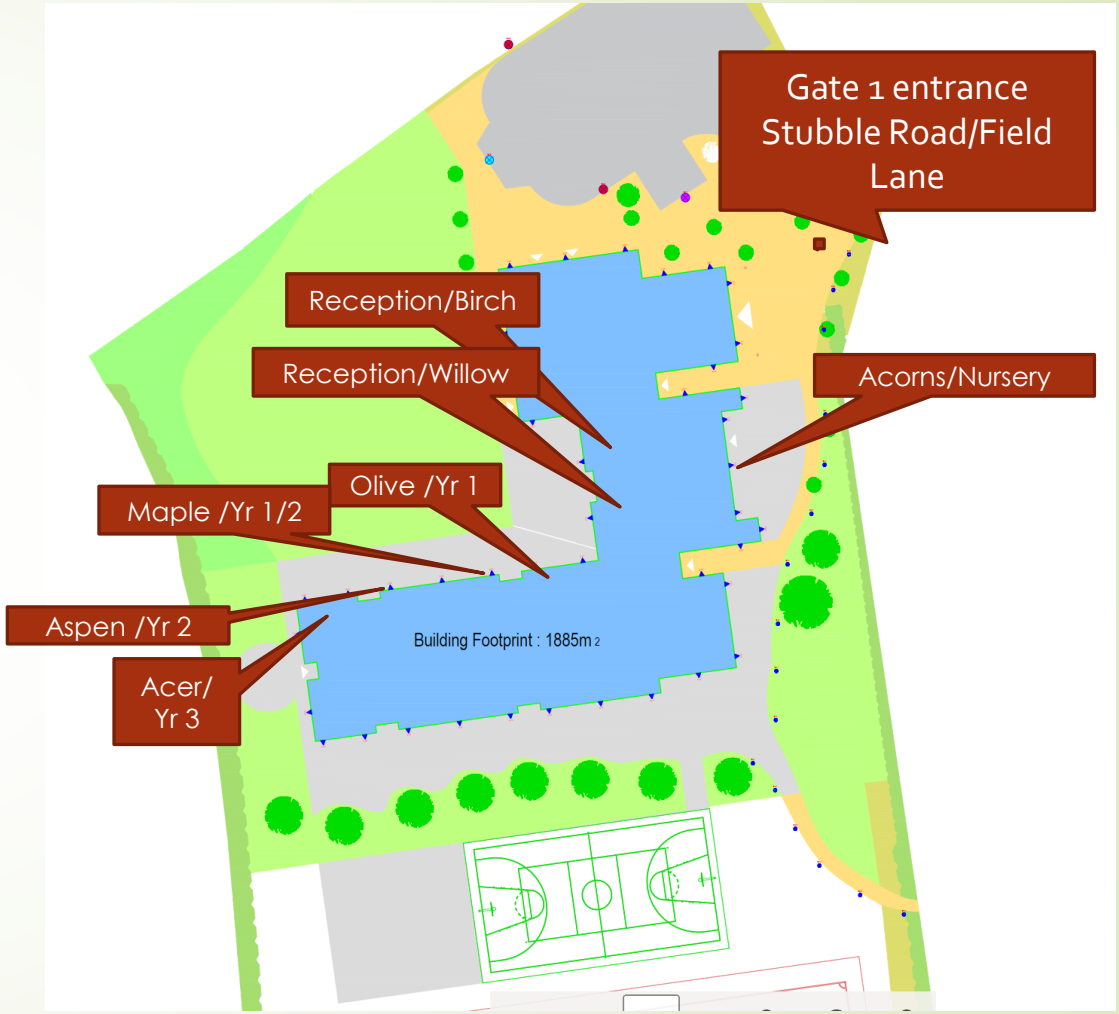
End of the day

Gates open 3:20pm

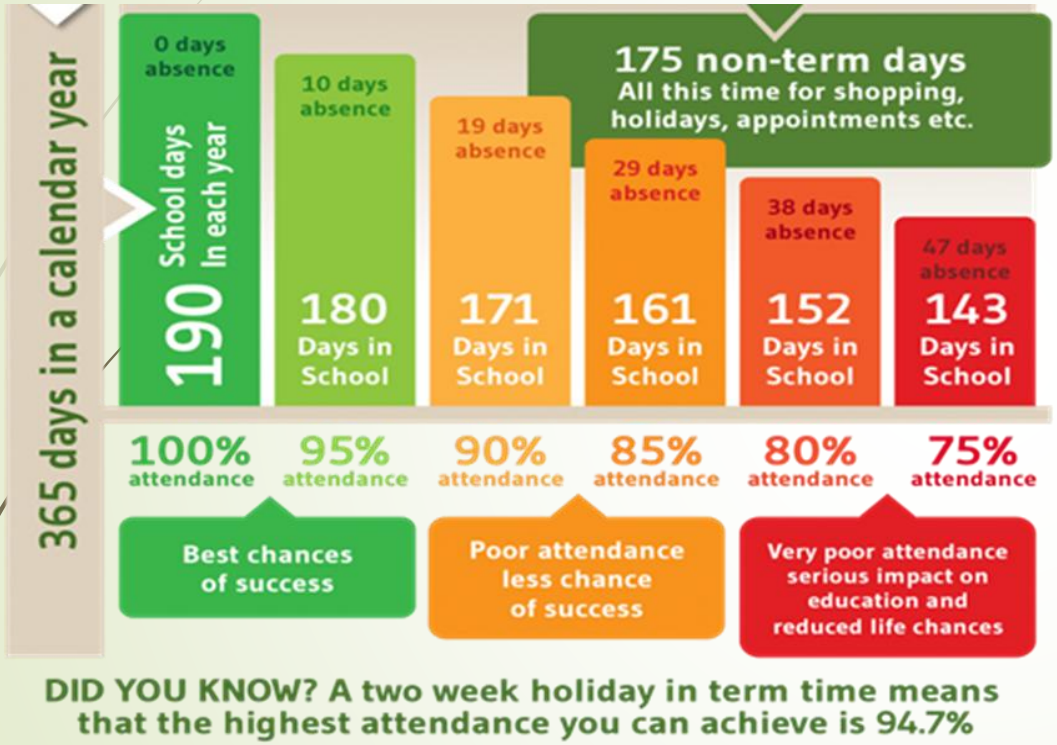
School finish time 3:30pm

All children will be dropped off at their classroom door and collected from the same door.

As we get to know you, your child's teacher will ask you to provide a collection password.
For your child's safety, they will only be released to individuals you have nominated and given permission to collect them. You will have already provided these names on the school's online admission form.



Attendance


365 days in a calendar year
0 days absence
190 School days In each year
10 days absence
180 Days in School
19 days absence
171 Days in School
29 days absence
161 Days in School
38 days absence
152 Days in School
47 days absence
143 Days in School
175 non-term days
All this time for shopping, holidays, appointments etc.
100% attendance
95% attendance
90% attendance
85% attendance
80% attendance
75% attendance
Best chances of success
Poor attendance less chance of success
Very poor attendance serious impact on education and reduced life chances
DID YOU KNOW? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%

...being in school, on time, every day, ready to learn.
3 DAYS LOST
6.5 DAYS LOST
10 DAYS LOST
13 DAYS LOST
19 DAYS LOST
5 MINUTES LOST
10 MINUTES LOST
15 MINUTES LOST
20 MINUTES LOST
25 MINUTES LOST
Poor punctuality - less chance of success
Very poor punctuality- serious impact on education and reduced life chances.
DID YOU KNOW? If you are 15 minutes late each day you will have missed a full 2 weeks of school in one year?

Wraparound care is provided by our own qualified staff. They are based mainly in the hall, sometimes in a classroom if an afterschool sports club is running in the hall.

Oak Rangers – wraparound care

Breakfast Rangers: 7:30am-school start

Afternoon: school close - 5:00pm or 6pm

Breakfast Club	**7:30-8:50**	**£7.50**
Afterschool Club half session	**3:30-5pm**	**£8.00 (includes tea)**
Afterschool Club whole session	**3:30-6pm**	**£11:50 (includes tea)**

You will have received a wraparound care contract. Please take some time to read through the terms and conditions and then sign it to confirm that you understand and are happy to agree to them. Once completed, please return the contract to the school office.

The contract must be in place before your child attends any session.

All sessions can be easily booked and paid for through the *Clubs* section on ParentPay.

School Uniform

Oak Grange Uniform is as follows: (no requirement for nursery children)

- Navy blue sweatshirt or v neck cardigan.
- Navy blue or white polo shirt
- Grey or black trousers
- Grey pinafore or skirt
- White/black socks or black/navy/grey tights
- Black, flat shoes .

Summer Uniform

- Navy blue and white checked dresses
- Grey shorts

PE kit

<u>These items can be bought from our uniform suppliers</u>

- Green t-shirt with logo
- PE hoodie with Oak Grange logo

<u>These items can be bought from any retailer</u>

- Navy blue shorts
- Navy blue tracksuit bottoms
- Navy blue hoodie
- Trainers

We are pleased to let you know that school uniform with logos can be purchased from one of our suppliers: Uniformality (Borrowash) or Uniform Direct (Derby).

However, there is no requirement for items to carry the school logo, so you are very welcome to choose whichever options work best for your family.

Our PE days are as below.

Please send your child into school wearing their PE kit on these days.
They will not be getting changed.

Class	PE Days
Acorns (Nursery)	Monday and Thursday
Birch (Reception)	Thursday and Friday
Willow (Reception)	Thursday and Friday
Olive (Year 1)	Tuesday and Wednesday
Maple (Year 1/2)	Tuesday and Wednesday
Aspen (Year 2)	Monday and Friday
Acer (Year 3)	Wednesday and Friday

What else will my child need?

Here is what your child will need.

- The correct uniform
- PE kit on active/PE days (we will tell you the days nearer the time)
- A coat
- A book bag
- A water bottle
- If having a packed lunch, a lunch box which is:
  - Named
  - Standard size

As you can imagine things can sometimes be misplaced. To help us return them to their owner, please name everything that your child has at school with them. This includes uniform, drinks bottle and coats.

Sickness

What do I do if my child is off sick?

To report an absence, please telephone the school office by **8:30am** at the latest.
When you call, please select option 1 and leave a message with the relevant details.

If your child's attendance falls below what we would usually expect, we will work in partnership with you to offer support and help to improve this wherever possible.
We kindly ask that children arrive on time each day, as persistent lateness may need to be recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Injury and illness

It is important that you inform us if you child has any condition that may affect them during their time in school. This will require school to write a medical plan.

The school is staffed by first aiders, and we have paediatric first aiders in EYFS. If your child is feeling unwell during the school day they will be treated by an adult. Your child may be taken to the office if they are feeling too unwell and we will contact you if we feel they are too ill to
remain at school.

Parents will be contacted if your child sustains a serious injury at school.

Medical / health condition

We can administer prescribed medicines in school.
To do this, you will need to complete a consent form (available from the school office) and hand your child's medication directly to a member of the office team in a clearly labelled bag.
Medicines should not be sent into school in your child's bag.
Where possible, we kindly ask that antibiotic doses are given before and after the school day.

Lunch and Snack

A free healthy and delicious lunch is provided for children in reception, with a choice of a meat or vegetarian option.

Please ensure you have informed us if you child has any allergies or dietary needs (including religious dietary needs).

Oak Grange Primary School is a <u>NUT FREE</u> school.

Children in EFFS and KS1 are all provided with a free piece of fruit each day as a healthy snack.

Please ensure that your child only has **water** in their water bottle. Thank you

If you want to send your child with a healthy packed lunch, then that is also an option. Children will eat this in the hall with their friends.

How we learn

we are respectful

We have carefully planned the curriculum and learning spaces to encourage ***curiosity*** and ensure the children are engaged and excited to learn both indoors and out!

The environment

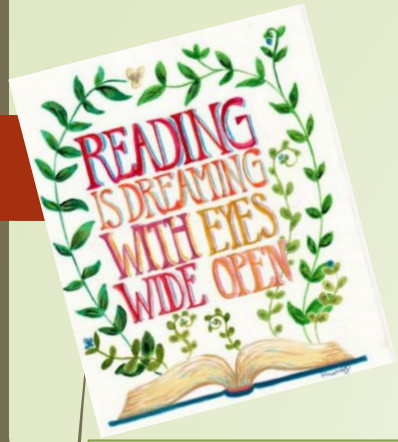
Children learn best when they feel safe and secure. In the first weeks we will spend time getting to know your child and you as a family. We will model our ***kindness*** and ***respect*** values as children begin the new adventure of school.

Positive Relationships

we are curious

Attitudes , Skills and Knowledge (ASK)

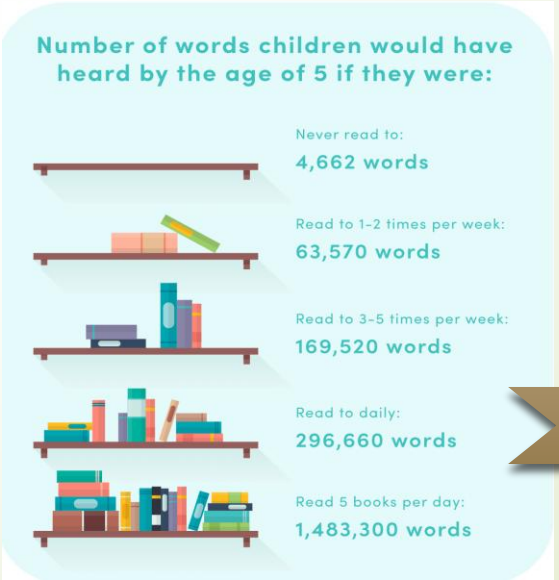
we are kind



Reading

That's what I'm talking about!

Talking is everything. Your child probably asks you lots of questions every day! That is because they are making sense of the world around them. It means they are curious- it means they are eager to learn. Look at the positive impact reading can have for your child.



WOW!

At Oak Grange, we believe that reading is a key life skill. We want our children to develop a love of reading and to read a wide a range of books, both fiction and non-fiction.

Reading for pleasure

We will ensure that Oak Grange offers daily opportunities for language opportunities and reading. The children will also have access to a magical library space.

Communication with school

ClassDojo is an online communication platform. At OakGrange, we will use it in the following way:

- Teacher/parent communication
- Class story- receive photographs about your child's learning or information about class events
- School story- communication and celebrations concerning the whole school.

We will send you login information for ClassDojo.

We are a cashless school and use ParentPay for booking wraparound care, as well as paying for school meals, trips and PTA events.

Arbor is our Management Information System and holds all the information you have provided about your child.

We kindly ask that you work with us to keep this information up to date. If there are any changes, please let a member of the office team know.

Safeguarding

Designated Safeguarding Lead- Mrs Sarah Coleman

Deputy Safeguarding Lead – Mr Jones and Mrs Lane

Oak Grange is committed to safeguarding all children.

Our Safeguarding and Child Protection policy can be found here.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact Mrs Coleman.

Relationships and Connections

Visible consistency with visible kindness allows exceptional behaviour to flourish'
At Oak Grange, all children should have a safe and happy place to learn. To do this we aim for all children to always demonstrate impeccable behaviour, both in and out of the classroom. Our aim is for children to manage their own behaviour and to be responsible for their own actions.
Because we promote a climate of kindness and, want the best for each and every child, we expect everyone in school to act as role models promoting our core values.

we are kind

we are curious

we are respectful

This way to start your Oak Grange adventure!

It is natural to have a mixture of emotions as your child starts a new school.

You are trusting us with your most treasured possession.

Know that at Oak Grange we will nurture and care for your child.

We are always here to listen to any worries or questions you may have.

Be brave

Your child will take their lead from you.

If you appear anxious about them starting school, they will pick upon that.

If you are positive and see it as exciting (even if you are a little wobbly inside) then your child will be positive too.

It is okay to feel a little anxious and actually, it is okay if your child feels that way (usually they just want to get "on with it".