



January 2026

Whole School News

Dear Oakthorpe Families and Community,

HAPPY NEW YEAR! I hope you all had a fantastic break. December was an incredible month at Oakthorpe - I was so proud of the wonderful children and staff for a fantastic term and the showstopper KS2 show and Nativity!

We have a few staffing changes starting this term. Ms Lynch will be starting with us as our new SENco in January; she brings a wealth of experience from across Enfield, Hertfordshire and Haringey. I know you will join me in giving her a warm Oakthorpe welcome as she joins the school's leadership team.

Mrs Foszczynska will be moving away from her role as Lunchtime Supervisor and Afterschool club assistant and taking on a new and exciting role as our permanent receptionist.



January Dates for your diary

- 5th - 9th Jan - Little Recyclers clothes collections
- 12th Jan - MYME coffee morning for parents (9.15am)
- 12th Jan - Year 5 trip to the Globe Theatre
- 15th Jan - School council's break the rules day (more info to follow!)
- 19th Jan - Reception and Year 6 height and weight checks (NHS)
- 19th - 23rd Jan - Year 6 Bikeability
- 20th Jan - Y1 phonics meeting for parents 5pm - virtual link will be emailed
- 21st Jan - Y6 SATs meeting for parents 5pm - virtual link will be emailed
- 26th Jan - Year 6 trip to Courtauld Gallery
- 29th Jan - NSPCC Speak Out, Speak Safe workshops for Y2, Y5 and Y6

We are currently in the process of transferring to our new communication and database system called Arbor. The new system is much more user friendly and also has its own parents' app; we will send more information out about this soon!

Warm regards,

Mr J Wheeler

Every child, every day.



SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

More clothes - more funds for your organisation.
1 kg = £0.45

YOUR COLLECTION IS ARRANGED ON:

9 JANUARY
FRIDAY

FILL ANY BAGS WITH CLOTHING AND BRING THEM TO SCHOOL/ORGANISATION WE WILL COLLECT AND WEIGH THEM

WE ACCEPT

- Good quality clean clothing (adult's, children's, baby)
- Shoes (paired)
- Bags
- Hats & scarves
- Belts
- Fashion accessories
- Swimwear, lingerie
- Jewellery
- Perfumes

WE DONT ACCEPT

- Uniforms
- Dirty, wet, ripped, damaged clothing
- Traditional clothing
- Duvelts & pillows
- Single shoes
- Toys, stationery
- Bric-a-brac & electrical items
- Books, CDs, DVDs
- VWorkwear
- Carpets, rugs, mats, curtains
- Hygiene items, diapers
- Linen & towels

PLEASE NO UNIFORMS & DUVETS!

RAISE MONEY FOR YOUR SCHOOL BY GIVING AWAY YOUR UNWANTED CLOTHES

hello@thelittlerecyclers.co.uk • 0330 043 0550 • thelittlerecyclers.co.uk

We are teaming up with The Little Recyclers to help save the planet by recycling and repurposing unwanted clothes. Please bring in any of the above items, in any bags, during the first week back at school!

Attendance



At Oakthorpe, we want all children to maximise their learning time by having 96%+ attendance! Currently our whole school attendance has dipped slightly to 94.45%.



Our core values

Respect
Responsibility
Excellence
Confidence
Creativity

Value of the
month

Tolerance



Punctuality

We continue to see lots of children being brought into school late each morning. This has a massive impact on their learning as they are missing a key part of the morning settling in routine. Please aim to get to school for 8.50am when the gates open!



Lateness adds up!

5 minutes late each day	3 school days lost
10 minutes late each day	6.5 school days lost
15 minutes late each day	10 school days lost
20 minutes late each day	13 school days lost
30 minutes late each day	19 school days lost



Donate a birthday book!

When it is your child's birthday, instead of cakes, why not consider donating a book to our wonderful school library! We will put a lovely sticker in the book to show who the birthday book has been donated by and a certificate will go up in the library! If you are going to bring in cakes for the class, please can these be pre-packaged to support us being allergy friendly!

Please see our [Birthday Book Wishlist](#), which has been carefully created by the children.

 LINK



SHAPE YOUR BODY

GET FIT, HEALTHY,
TONED & STRONG
WOMENS ONLY
CIRCUIT
CLASSES


EVERY TUESDAY &
THURSDAY, 6.30-7.15PM
@ TOTTENHALL INFANT
SCHOOL, N13 6HX

FIRST CLASS ONLY
£5!!!
THEN £8 PER CLASS
OR BOOK A BLOCK
OF 10 CLASSES FOR
£7 EACH. (TO BE
USED WITHIN 3
MONTHS)

CALL, TXT OR WATSAPP FOR
MORE INFO AND TO BOOK YOUR
SPACE.

ABOUT ME

Hi, I'm Leanne a local mum of 3 children and a fully qualified group fitness instructor. I have been teaching a range of classes for 17 years across numerous gyms & fitness centres in Palmers Green, Crouch End & Muswell Hill. My passion is to help women with their fitness journeys in a fun, realistic, and sustainable way.

 07887403519

 Tottenhall Infant School,
Tottenhall Road, N13 6HX

CLASS DESCRIPTION

Circuits based class suitable for all fitness levels.

Move between different stations working on a variety of cardio, abs, body weight and weighted exercises giving you a full body workout. You are welcome to bring children as long as they are able to sit & watch, read or play on an ipad etc under your supervision.



Flu community catch up clinics

If your child has missed their flu vaccination at school, you can book an appointment for their vaccine at one of our local community clinics.

Winter season is upon us, and with colder weather keeping us indoors and in close contact, it's easier than ever for the flu to spread.

Protect yourself, your loved ones, and your community by getting your flu jab today. The flu vaccine is your best defense against severe illness, hospitalisation, and missed work or school. Let's work together to keep everyone healthy this winter.

Stay Well:

Avoid the misery of flu this winter.

Protect Others:

Especially children, the elderly, and those more vulnerable.

Stop the Spread:

Help prevent flu outbreaks in your community.



For our clinic locations and contact details for the Vaccination UK teams please scan the QR code or follow the links below:

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/contact>

<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/catch-up-clinics>

At Oakthorpe, we are always looking at ways to reduce, reuse and recycle! We are teaming up with 'The Little Recyclers' to help unwanted clothes and fabrics ending up in landfill!

In the run up to and over the Christmas Break, please do bag up any of your old, unwanted items (use the list below!) and bring them to school on Friday 9th January 2026!



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Raise free donations for Oakthorpe Primary School when shopping online with easyfundraising. It won't cost you a penny extra. All you need to do is:

1. Go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/oakthorpeprimaryschool/> and join for free.
2. Install the app and Donation Reminder extension.
3. Activate your donation before shopping online and the retailer will automatically donate to us for free!

Thank you for your support.

8,000+ retailers will donate to us whenever you shop with them



Plus, you'll get...



Exclusive retailer offers



Competitions



A warm feeling inside!

Over
£60m
raised for UK good causes

£0
extra cost to anyone



 Advertise with Us!

Would you like to promote your local business or community group to Oakthorpe families?

Our monthly school newsletter reaches a wide and engaged audience of parents, carers, and staff—making it a great opportunity to share your services or events.

To find out more or to book an advert, please contact the school office at:

 office@oakthorpe.enfield.sch.uk

 020 8807 4689

All proceeds go towards supporting enrichment activities for our pupils

Keep Your Child Safe Online



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TALK

Talk to your child about their internet use and safety

Have meaningful conversations about how they use the internet

Praise your child for safe online behaviours

Welcome your child if they want to ask you a question or tell you about a problem, even if they've done something unwise themselves

EDUCATE

Learn as much as you can about games, platforms, parental controls and the benefits and risks of online activity

Teach your child about specific issues and concerns

Teach your child about safe and unsafe relationships and how to repair friendships following disagreements online

CO-VIEW

Co-view your child's online activity at least 1x/week

Interact with your child online

Model appropriate online behaviour

Co-operate with each other to promote the well-being of all



HOUSE RULES

Set clear routines, rules and boundaries ("house rules")

Keep to age ratings and guidance for apps, games and devices

Restrict online activity to daytime and communal areas

Use filters and parental controls

Spend regular screen-free time with your child



AGE
11+

for a basic phone or highly restricted smart phone without internet access or social media

AGE
14+

for a smart phone with parental controls

*Agree a contract with your child to encourage responsible phone use

