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# High Oaks Newsletter

## **Dates for the Diary**

Thursday 7th March—Book Day, dress as your favourite Character or Animal!

Friday 15th March—Parent Event Citizens Advice Bureau 10—11

Wednesday 20th March—SALT coffee morning 9.45—10.45

Wednesday 27th March—Easter Service 10.30am venue to be confirmed

Thursday 28th March—School finishes at 1.45 pm

Tuesday 16th April—Students return

## Messages from our Acting Head Teacher

We have had a very busy two weeks since returning from half term. Students have been working hard. It has been lovely to read the children 'S annual reviews and see how much progress is being made. We had a visit from the Department of Education who were in Hounslow looking at SEN provision across the borough. They had a tour of the school and got to meet lots of the students and observe the wonderful work they have been doing.



There are lots of rehearsals going on for Oaklands got Talent at the moment I am very much looking forward to seeing all the talent! Next week is Book week. I have attached a poster so you are aware of what is going on each day. The theme this year is Animals. We have a theatre company visiting on Monday and the students will have a live animal experience on Tuesday. Thursday 7th is the official World book day and your children can come to school dressed as their favourite animal or book character.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend

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Week



Monday 4th

March







Tuesday

5th

March



Dress up



Thursday 7th





March



Let's



Celebrate





Books together!









# **Richmond 2 News**

Oaklands Got Talent is quickly approaching and Richmond 1 and Richmond 2 classes have been working together with Anna from Dansicality to carry out a 1970"s, Austin Powers, themed dance routine for everyone.

We hope to win with our amazing performance!







## RE (Islam) - Kew 3

This term, Kew 3 students have been learning a comprehensive exploration of Islam in their Humanities topic. They have been learning about What Islam is. What is the holy book of Islam? Where do Muslims worship? How do they worship, what do they wear, and what is it called?

The interactive sensory session provided the students with a hands-on experience to better understand these aspects of Islamic worship and culture, allowing them to engage with tangible items such as the Koran, prayer mats, prayer beads, and caps (topi). This experiential learning deepened students' understanding and appreciation of different cultures and religions.



















## **Our Safeguarding team**

**Designated Safeguarding Leads** 



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**Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads** 









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We strive to provide a safe and welcoming environment at Oaklands where everyone is respected and valued. The student's best interests are considered at all times. We are committed to dealing with concerns quickly and putting into place early help where necessary. All staff are trained and alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow procedures to ensure that children receive effective support and protection. If a child is in danger or at risk of harm, action will be taken immediately to protect that child.

Safeguarding is not just about protecting children from deliberate harm. It also relates to aspects of school life including:

- Students health and safety
- The use of reasonable force (restraint)
- Meeting the needs of children with medical conditions
- Providing first aid
- Educational visits
- Intimate care
- Online safety
- Appropriate arrangements to ensure school security

#### At Oaklands

- All our staff are trained in Safeguarding children's welfare and update their training yearly.
- All are staff are DBS checked (formerly known as CRB checks)
- We are vigilant about our pupils' safety.
- We have an internal reporting system where all concerns are logged and brought to the attention of the Safeguarding leads.
- We will ring you to discuss anything we notice that concerns us.

If you have a concern, please do come and speak to a member of the safeguarding team as soon as possible, we want to work with you in an open and transparent way.