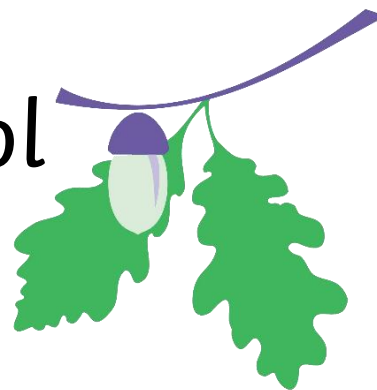


# Oak Hill First School

## Weekly Update

30/01/2026



### Children's Mental Health week 2026

Children's Mental Health Week 2026 runs from **Monday, February 9th to Sunday, February 15th, 2026**. Organized by the charity [Place2Be](#), the 2026 theme is "**This is My Place,**" focusing on fostering a sense of belonging for children and young people in their schools, communities, and homes.



To end the week in style, on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February**, the children are invited '*COME AS YOURSELF*'.

Children can wear an outfit which makes them feel most comfortable, confident, and like they truly belong — whether that's cosy clothes, cultural dress, favourite colours, or something totally unique. Celebrate what makes you, you!

We are inviting families to make a suggested donation of £2, but anything you feel able to give is greatly appreciated. Please make donations via Parentpay (No cash to be donated in school). Donations will go directly to Place2Be to support their work with children's mental health.

### Year of Reading – National Storytelling Week

At Oak Hill, we love books and stories and next week (WB 2.2.26) we will be celebrating National Storytelling Week!

Here are some simple, fun activities you can try at home:

- 📖 Share a favourite picture book and talk about the illustrations
- 🧸 Make up stories using toys or soft animals
- 🚗 Tell a story during everyday moments (bathtime, car journeys, bedtime)
- 🗣️ Use household objects to create sound effects
- 📖 Read a story together and chat about the beginning, middle and end



- 🗣️ Encourage your child to retell a familiar story
- 🖍️ Draw a story map or sketch characters
- 🎭 Act out a story using props or puppets
- 📖 Share a chapter and discuss characters' feelings
- 📝 Help your child write or record a short story
- 📺 Create a new ending to a favourite tale
- 🎨 Make a comic strip or storyboard



We love to hear about your storytelling adventures in your child's reading diary — please do share any moments you enjoy at home.

### 📖 Why Storytelling Matters

Storytelling builds children's language skills, creativity, empathy and confidence — and even a few minutes of shared story time makes a big difference.

Thank you for your continued support. We're looking forward to a magical week filled with imagination and adventure!

Mrs Thomas

### Attendance Note

We're aware that a few winter bugs are currently going around, which is understandably causing some sporadic absences in certain classes. Thank you for keeping us informed when your child is unwell — your communication is really appreciated. Regular attendance is really important for children's learning, progress and wellbeing, and being in school whenever they are well enough makes a big difference. Please be assured that if we are ever concerned that a child may be too unwell to be in school, we will always contact parents or carers straight away.

To help families, here is the NHS guidance on when your child should stay off school:

[Should I keep my child off school checklist poster](#)

If we can support you in any way with attendance, please do get in touch — we're always here to help.

## Attendance Matters

“Strong Attendance, Strong Success!”

Nur	RB	RM	RS	1A	1M	1R	2C	2H	2T
83.71%	93.01%	89.09%	91.3%	92.31%	94.65%	92.21%	95.19%	95.19%	95.93%
3B	3C	3D	4E	4H	4R	Whole School			
98.29%	99.23%	92.44%	96.15%	85.6%	92.42%	<b>92.94%</b>			

Congratulations to **3C** for having the highest attendance this week!!!

## This week's awards

	Star Of The Week	Wonderful Writer
Nursery	Amal	Zara
RB	Elijah	Oakley
RM	Dennis	Lidia
RS	Milo	Sophia

	Star Of The Week	Remarkable Readers
1A	Roman	Eadie
1M	Tommy	Eadie
1R	Serenity	Benjamin
2C	Simon	Freddie
2H	Luna-Grace	Ernie
2T	Hazel	Rory
3B	Macy	Dylan
3C	Mariyah	Morgan
3D	Zayn	Irfan
4E	Taylor	Peniel
4H	Aaira	Elliott
4R	Isabella	Lilly

Please discuss your child's award with them. They will be pleased to share their special achievement!

## Dates for your diary!

04/02/2026	Science Trip (Selected Pupils)
13/02/2026	'Come as yourself for children's mental health' Day
<b>13/02/2026</b>	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM</b>
<b>23/02/2026</b>	<b>SCHOOL REOPENS</b>
02/03/2026 - 05/03/2026	Book Fayre In School (More information to follow)
03/03/2026	Spring Parents Evening 1
05/03/2026	Spring Parents Evening 2
05/03/2026	World Book Day (More information to follow)

**You can find a copy of our term dates for 25-27 on our school website using the following link**

[Oak Hill First School - School Dates](#)



**FAMILY READ TOGETHER**  
Join Us!

Reception No change • Every Friday 8.30am

Year 1 Friday 23rd January 2.40pm

Year 2 Friday 30th January 2.40pm

Year 3 Friday 6th February 2.40pm

Year 4 Friday 13th February 2.40pm

**Have a wonderful weekend and we will see you all next week!**