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# SCHOOL NEWS

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Open Evening | Oak House | New Reading Books

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## Changes to Breakfast and After School Club!!!

### \* Extended hours!!!

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We are responding to a considerable demand for extended hours. The new times will be as follows:

Breakfast:	7.30 - 8.45am
After School	3.15 - 4.30pm session 1
	4.30 - 5.45pm session 2

To reflect the additional staffing costs we have made a nominal price increase: each session will now cost £4.25.

### \* Pricing structure and booking

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We are now requesting that ALL bookings should be made by Thursday of the week before the club provision is needed. Bookings on the day will be accepted in emergencies ONLY and will incur a charge of £5 instead of £4.25. Advance booking allows us to plan for staffing ratios as well as provision of snacks and drinks. Payment needs to be made with the booking in advance. Payment in arrears will no longer be accepted. Booking forms can be downloaded from our website.

### \* Late Charges

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After school club CLOSSES at 5.45pm. As is common practice with other after school providers, a late pick up will incur a cost of £5 for every 15 mins after 5.45pm.

### \* Relocating of the club

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Due to us having an additional Year 6 class next year, we will be using the middle classroom in the mobile building currently occupied by 5P and 6NC. 5LC will take up occupancy of this room and so it is no longer viable to host the before and after school club here. Therefore, Breakfast club will take place in the hall and after school will be in the staffroom for the first hour and outside, moving to the hall at 4.30pm if raining, once the after school clubs have finished. We are looking into ways to provide additional accommodation for our growing school, but this is something for the future and we'll keep you posted.

Miss Norton in the school office has now undertaken the running of the club, so please address any correspondence and booking forms/payment to her directly. We hope these changes will enable us to run a more efficient service, which is responding more directly to the needs of parents. We would be interested to hear any feedback on the changes.



## Lost Property

- \* We are putting out lost property for parents to collect after school. We notify you directly by text on the days this happens as it is weather dependent. Any lost property not claimed by next Friday will be donated to charity.

## Cake tins

- \* Many of you kindly donated cakes for our Performance Evening. A couple of cake tins have gone astray which were named with a Y2 child's name. Please can you check that they were not taken in error and return to the school office if found. Many thanks.

## Winning House

- \* Congratulations to Oak Team who won the end of year prize for the highest number of points collected over the year. House points are earned through good behaviour and conduct in the classroom and around school, as well as through sports day.

## Family Performance Evening

I'm sure many of you will agree that the Performance Evening we held in June was a huge success and a much called for community event. We have reviewed what went well and how it could be improved and hope to develop the event into a summer fair next year. Even though the evening wasn't planned to be a fundraiser, we were delighted to find that £700 was raised. As we are re-organising the reading books and taking out a lot of the old stock, we have decided to use the money to buy new books for our new colour banded scheme.

## Celebration Open Evening

It was lovely to see so many families in school on Thursday evening sharing the children's work. I'm pleased many of you took the opportunity to meet your new teachers for Septmeber, as well as coming in to discuss individual issues with myself. My door is always open during Parents' Evening so please come in for a chat if you want to. Our next Parents Evening will take place in October, towards the end of the half term. This will take the form of individual 10 minute consultations which will give you the opportunity to meet the teacher and discuss any concerns early on in the academic year.

Kind regards,

Cathy Beddows

and the Etchells staff

