



# King's Oak Primary School



## October 2025



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### *Our Vision: From tiny Acorns, Mighty Oaks Grow!*



Dear Parent/ Carer,

Please find our October newsletter which will give you some information on school news, events and more.

As always, if there is something you require to know more about, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

With kind regards, Kirstin Glancy, Head Teacher

### **Child Protection and Safeguarding: Responsibility of Professionals**



All schools have a Child Protection and Safeguarding co-ordinator. **In King's Oak this is Kirstin Glancy, Head Teacher and in her absence, Lynne Wilson, Depute Head Teacher.** It is the responsibility of professionals to ensure children get the help they need when they need it. All adults in King's Oak have responsibility to ensure the safety and protection of children.

### **Diary Dates**



Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Halloween Parade
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Fire Brigade Talk for P6&P7 in school
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Athletics at Parklea
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Sponsored Dance Event
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu Vaccinations in school today
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Show Performance (details to follow)
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Show Performance in afternoon and evening (details to follow)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Assembly. P7 hoodies presented.
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Pantomime in school today, P2/1 and P7 parties today
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	P2 Party and House treat for term 2 winning house
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	P4, P1, P3s and P6 party today
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	P5 and P6/5 party today and <b><u>close for holidays at 2:30pm</u></b>

**Responsible Resilient Included Honesty Nurturing Respect**

## Help us be an Allergy Aware School!



We need your help please!

We have a pupil who has a nut allergies. To some, this is a life threatening condition. **Please help by ensuring all snacks and lunches contain no nuts at all**. The families of our affected pupils would be most grateful for your support in this important matter.

## X (Twitter) follow us on twitter

Every week each class teacher will post at least one update of learning from their class. This is where you will find pictures and videos (of permitted pupils) from school events. Please follow us @KingsOakSchool.

## Prevent Strategy UK

The Prevent strategy is a key component of the UK's counter-terrorism efforts aimed at stopping individuals from becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism. In King's Oak the lead for this is Mrs Glancy and in her absence, Mrs Wilson.

## Children's Rights

On 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) was incorporated into Scots law.

Our focus this week will be on Article 27:



UNCRC Article 27

I have the right to have a proper home, food and clothing

Our Rights Respecting word of the week this week is: 'Unconditional' meaning rights are a legal entitlement and do not need to be earned. Children do not need to have any responsibilities or behave in a certain way to have rights. Over November our Rights Respecting vocabulary words will be:

**United Nations Conventions on the Rights of the Child.** (UNCRC) - The UNCRC is a legal treaty. It sets out the rights that all children are entitled to.

**UNICEF** - UNICEF is the United Nations Children's Fund. UNICEF works in over 190 countries to save children's right to help fulfil their full potential.

**Universal** - The rights apply to all children everywhere. Children do not need to be citizens of a country to have these rights.

**Dignity** - Dignity means being valued and respected for what you are, what you believe in and how you live your life.

## Purple Day for Ardgowan Hospice

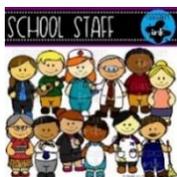
A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to our Wear Purple for Ardgowan Hospice day on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October. We raised a fantastic £350 for the hospice. So many families gave over the donation suggested as they have benefitted from the wonderful work Ardgowan hospice does. A huge thank you!

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Here is a reminder of Teri's workshop dates and also dates for her parent drop in. Teri's contact details are 01475 728493 or 07500 108014. Teri works with us on a Tuesday and Thursday.

30 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	<b><u>Helping your child manage their anxiety at home</u></b> This session will give a brief overview of anxiety, potential anxiety patterns and provide strategies and tips to help you support your child.
21 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	<b><u>All behaviour is communication: challenging behaviour</u></b> This session will provide an overview of some 'big behaviours' and tools for you to communicate with your child and help to manage this at home.
4 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<b><u>Setting routine and boundaries</u></b> This session will give you an opportunity to discuss daily routines and boundaries and how to establish consistent routines that work for your family.
18 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<b><u>Sleep: good sleep hygiene</u></b> This session will give a brief overview of healthy sleeping habits and tips to implement these at home.
2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025	<b><u>Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) information session</u></b> This session will give a brief overview of ASD and discuss strategies and tips to help support your child at home.
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	<b><u>Internet Safety</u></b> This session is a general information session regarding internet safety for your child and how you can help ensure they are using the internet safely at home.

Teri can be contacted at the school gate or by call or text if you wish to speak to her outwith these meetings. Please make use of this great resource we have for King's Oak families.



### Staffing Update

A very warm welcome to Mrs Ellis who is covering Miss Sloan's maternity leave. Mrs Ellis will be working in the Blossom Room and in some other classes.

Huge congratulations to Miss Sloan who has delivered a beautiful daughter, Harper. Mum and baby are doing really well .

Mrs Cunningham has now started her maternity leave. We warmly welcome Miss Baird who is teaching P3b. Miss Baird had a great first week and has been enjoying getting to know her new class. Mrs Cunningham hopefully won't have to wait too long for her baby to arrive.

Recruitment isn't always straight forward. After a few bumps in the road, we will be interviewing for our permanent new janitor in the coming weeks.