

Welcome to the Oakway Academy Parent Newsletter – 02.10.2026

Welcome to our new and improved fortnightly parent newsletter! As we settle into the Autumn term, we have a number of important updates, exciting news, and key dates to share with you. Thank you for your continued support and partnership in making Oakway Academy an exciting and thriving place.

Upcoming Dates & Deadlines

Early Years Open Morning (For 2027 Starters) Is your child starting school in September 2027? Join us for a welcome tour of our wonderful Early Years provision.

- **When:** Saturday, 3rd October
- **Time:** 9:00 am – 11:00 am
- **When:** Tuesday, 10th November
- **Time:** 9:15 am – 10:10 am

Children's Flu Vaccinations NHS Nursing Staff will be at Oakway Academy on **Tuesday, 6th October** to deliver the children's flu vaccine. This quick, effective nasal spray protects your child and shields vulnerable members of our community.

- **Action required:** Please give your consent via the NHS portal here: [NHS Consent Form](#)

Year 6 Secondary School Applications If your child is in Year 6, the application window for their September 2027 secondary school place is now open.

- **Deadline:** 31st October 2026
- **How to apply:** Register on the parent portal and apply online at [North Northants School Admissions](#).

Launch of our Character Education Programme We are proud to announce a new, universal enrichment programme running every Friday afternoon! We are offering 19 different extra-curricular activities across the Academy to ensure every child gets to try something new:

- **Early Years:** Visiting our elderly friends at Ladywell Court to read and play games.
- **Key Stage 1:** Enjoying Art Club, Forest School, and Cooking.
- **Key Stage 2:** Experiencing Photography, Journalism, STEM activities, and more.

Important Reminders & Updates

Digital Injury Reporting (Medical Tracker) This Autumn Term, we are phasing out the paper "red slips" for reporting injuries. We are moving to **Medical Tracker**, an online system that allows us to digitally record all on-site accidents.

- **What this means for you:** You will now receive injury records directly via Parentmail. If a situation requires a verbal conversation, our staff will still call you directly.

Morning Arrivals & Supervision We have noticed some children arriving on site early and unsupervised. Please remember that staff are not available to supervise children before our morning clubs open. If children are found on site unsupervised before 8:20 am, we will contact parents to collect them or stay with them.

- **Invite-Only Book & Breakfast:** Opens at 8:15 am
- **Universal Breakfast Club:** Opens at 8:30 am

Safe Parking & Active Travel We encourage families to walk to school whenever possible. If you need to drive, please park a short distance away and walk the rest of the journey to reduce traffic congestion and keep our children active.

- **Respect our neighbours:** Please park legally and safely. Never block driveways, park on dangerous corners, or block pavements for pushchairs and wheelchairs.
- **After-school club collections:** Please use the provided parking bays and walk to the door to collect your child. Do not block the internal road. The site gets very busy for a few minutes during this time, and we appreciate your patience and mindfulness of others.

Celebrating Our Local Area We have made some beautiful new additions to our school environment! As you walk around the academy, you may notice our vibrant new wall wraps that celebrate our wonderful local area. We hope the children enjoy these bright and inspiring new spaces.



Meet Dolly and Nugget! We are also absolutely thrilled to introduce the newest (and featheriest) members of the Oakway family—our brand-new school chickens, Dolly and Nugget! The children are already having a fantastic time observing them, learning about how to care for them and using their eggs for cooking and baking.

