



*'As individuals we let our 'light' shine, but **we shine brighter together.***

As another school year draws to a close, it's a great opportunity to stop and reflect.

Water was very much the theme for the first few weeks with the drains and roof conspiring to create a bit of drama! When I look back, those days seem like a lifetime away. This year has been filled with countless moments that have reminded me what a privilege it is to be part of Oaksey School. We have an incredible community and not a day goes by where I am not amazed by the curiosity and creativity of our children. What's particularly inspiring is the support that they show one another, day in, day out.

Nowhere was the latter more evident than at our Y6 Leavers' Service this morning. The way in which our children spoke about their memories showed great affection for their friends, teachers, the wider staff team and their time at Oaksey. It was a powerful reminder that this is a place in which friendships are formed, skills and talents developed, and confidence built. We will miss our Year 6s terribly and are very proud of the young people they have become. They will always remain an important part of our school family and we wish them every success for the next chapter.

I would like to thank our staff whose dedication, care and commitment ensure that every child is encouraged to be the very best version of themselves. They continually go above and beyond, often in ways that are unseen, to create the nurturing environment that is Oaksey.

I would also like to thank you all for your encouragement, trust and partnership throughout the year. A strong school is built upon strong relationships and your support plays a vital role in helping our children succeed.

I wish you all a wonderful, restful summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, refreshed and ready for another exciting year together.

Miss Prichard

The Class of 2026!



Our wonderful Year 6s. We are going to miss you terribly!

Heading back to school from church for the last time after our Year 6 Leavers' Service this morning.



'Hoodwinked' - What a Show!

What an adventure we had on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week! Arrows flying, disguises everywhere, and a bad-tempered sheriff... Congratulations to our brilliant actors who brought their roles to life through confident acting and great singing. It's been a lot of fun! Further photos are on the Galleries section of the School Jotter app. We would like to thank everyone who gave so generously to our production fund and look forward to next year's show!



Rounders and Netball Success

Well done to our Year 6 team who enjoyed an afternoon of rounders at Malmesbury Secondary with other local schools. The team came second overall out of six schools, with just a few rounders separating us from Malmesbury, the winning team. Grace also won an award for encouraging others and Charles one for his determination. What a great afternoon!

Our netball team came second in the league (of nine teams), having played brilliantly throughout the year. They won 3 of their matches comprehensively and drew one. Hullavington also won 3 matches and drew one but pipped us to first place on goal difference. Congratulations to them and to all of the teams who took part.

If anyone is interested in running or helping to run an after-school sports club (or any other) in the Autumn Term, please get in touch.

We are very keen to expand the range of sporting opportunities and sporting competitions we take part in next year.



Roof Re-configuration

Over the summer holidays, the Local Authority will be re-configuring the section of roof above the foyer (where water entered the building in September). This is to optimise water flow and ensure that the problem we faced in September does not recur. The work will take approximately three weeks.

Dates for 2026-2027

Tuesday 1st September	INSET day (staff only)
Wednesday 2nd September	First day of Term 1

Full term dates for next academic year are on our school website under the Parents tab.

A poster for Summer Holiday Cricket Camps. The background is a photograph of children playing cricket on a grassy field. In the top left, there is a logo for 'Wiltshire Cricket' featuring a white horse and three stumps on a green background. The main title 'Summer Holiday Cricket Camps' is written in large, white, bold letters across the middle. Below the title, there are two circular logos: 'DYNAMOS CRICKET HOLIDAY CAMP' on the left and 'ALL STARS CRICKET Holiday Camp' on the right. At the bottom, there are three green banners with white text. The first banner says 'All Stars (5-8) | Dynamos (8-11)'. The second banner says 'Winterbourne CC 30th & 31st July' and 'Calne CC 11th & 12th August'. The third banner says 'Links in the description or contact' and 'aled.evans@wiltshirecricket.co.uk'.

Wiltshire Cricket

Summer Holiday Cricket Camps

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A poster for Oakwell Holiday Club. The background is white with colorful, abstract, watercolor-like shapes in red, orange, yellow, and blue. The title 'Oakwell Holiday Club' is written in large, colorful letters (pink, blue, and yellow). Below the title, it says 'Crudwell Primary School'. Then, there is a table with dates and times. Below the table, it says 'Games, Arts and Crafts, Cooking and lots more.' At the bottom, there is a website URL and an email address.

Oakwell Holiday Club

Crudwell Primary School

27 th July-	8am-5pm
27 th August	£4.50 an hour

Games, Arts and Crafts, Cooking and lots more.

www.oakwellchildcare.co.uk
oakwell21@gmail.com

Braeside Education Centre



*£45
per day*

Summer Activity Days!

Adventure - Challenge - Fun

For ages: 8 – 12 years

Drop Off - 8:30am – 9:00am

(Siblings up to 14 years)

Pick Up - 4:30pm – 5:00pm

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
w/b 3rd August 2026	Mixed Archery Lifeline Rocket Launch Body Zorbing	Survival Fire Lighting Shelter Building Survival Craft	Climbing Climbing Wall Zip Wire Abseiling Low Ropes	Watersports Canoeing Kayaking Paddleboarding	
w/b 10th August 2026		Canoeing Problem Solving Orienteering			
w/b 17th August 2026	Watersports Canoeing Kayaking Paddleboarding	Mixed Body Zorbing Fencing Circus Workshop Rocket Launch	Mixed Archery Lifeline Fire lighting Problem Solving	Climbing Climbing Wall Zip Wire Abseiling Low Ropes	High Ropes Leap of Faith Crate Stack High All Aboard Parallel Poles

Activities will run in groups, in rotation, throughout the day.

Please book online by visiting

www.braeside-education.co.uk/holiday-club



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Contact us for more details;
01380 722637

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Summer at Malmesbury Library

The 'Read to the Beat' Summer Reading Challenge runs from Saturday 4 July to Saturday 5 September for 4–11-year-olds. Sign up at your local Wiltshire library to receive a sticker booklet and certificate if you can read 6 books over the holidays - Help your school compete against other schools to have the most finishers!

Every week

Rhyme Time | Tuesdays & Fridays | 11–11:30am

A fun, friendly session with songs, rhymes, and movement to help with your child's language and motor skills.

Brick Creators Club | Fridays | 1–5pm

Drop by and get creative! Loads of Lego and Duplo to play with.



Special events

Get into the Groove – Free music themed craft sessions with the Last Baguette Art Collective.

Wednesday 29 July 10– 3pm

Wednesday 12 August 10–3pm

Wednesday 26 August 10–3pm

Installation party | Friday 28 August | 5–6pm

Come and see the amazing artwork which has been created over the three sessions installed as a display in the library. Point out the bits you made to your friends and family!



Stories & Crafts | Saturday 1 August | 10:30–12:30pm

On the first Saturday of every month, we share stories & craft in the children's area of the library. On Saturday 1 August we will be sticking to musical theme and making instruments.

For more information call 01666 823 611 or email libraryenquiries@wiltshire.gov.uk

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