

Great Oaks Weekly

Wednesday 22nd October 2025



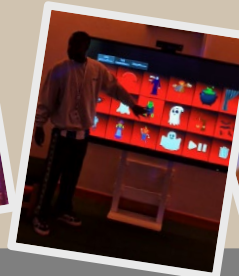
Friday Photography Club

Students in Photography Club have been exploring both the school grounds and a local park to capture some stunning shots - from wildlife to portrait photography. Ruby especially enjoyed every moment!



Sensory Halloween

The West site Sensory Room has been transformed for Halloween! Students have enjoyed exploring spooky lights, textures, and sounds, creating a fun, safe, and engaging sensory experience for everyone to enjoy.



Communication Week

This week was Communication Week, focusing on *Connecting with People*. Classes took part in activities such as greeting each other in interesting ways, connecting through movement, dance, and sound, and creating friendly postcards for twin classes. The photos show A16's Sherborne Developmental Movement session, where students explored connection through touch, teamwork, and shared movement.



Coming up...

Parent coffee morning in November

Christmas Fayre Friday 5th Dec 6pm-8pm

Next week...



Half Term!

Back to school
Monday 3rd November

PSHE in 3AK



In PSHE, students explored how understanding, empathy, and good communication help strengthen friendships. Using a Rose of Jericho plant, they saw how something dry and lifeless can come back to life with care and attention - a reminder that relationships, too, can be restored through kindness, patience, and the right words.

Great (Oaks) South Run

Ellie-Mae in 3MG recently took part in the Junior Great South Run - here she is proudly showing off her medal. She enjoyed the experience so much that she's already signed up for next year's Great South Run, as well as a Santa Run. What an incredible achievement!



South Site News



By our regular columnist **Mike Bull**



Beautiful wooden Christmas gifts made by college students are on sale. Contact Tom at the college to order dolls' rocking horses, spice racks, planters, bird boxes, ladybird houses and a decorated Christmas Eve box.

Students in 4GO celebrated Noah's 16th birthday with a party and chocolate cake.

Greedy pygmy goats on City Farm ate so much grass they were in danger of getting Bloat so had to temporarily swap pens with the pigs, who scoffed all the excess grass and everything else in sight.

CONNECTIONS PUZZLE. What connects these words? Anagram, flounce, compound and Southampton. Answer next week.

Online Safety

Look out for the Parent Online Safety Leaflet that has been emailed out. offers guidance on what to do if online abuse occurs outside school hours. It explains how to report issues safely and where to find further support.

Why did the bicycle fall over?

It was two-tyred!
Daniel, A16

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MAXimum Attendance

As we draw to the end of the first half term we wanted to celebrate our attendance for the for Autumn which is 90.8%. Thank you to families for supporting us as we strive for excellent attendance. Parents / Carers will receive an email later today or tomorrow which contains student's individual attendance. Woof!

