

Great Oaks Weekly

Tuesday 23rd July 2024



The sun shone and everyone had an amazing day at our first ever summer festival. There was music throughout the day in our giant Marquee featuring staff, pupils and some visiting musicians. As well as the music there were bouncy castles, Forest School tasters, sensory bubble shows, an all day disco, a mobile farm, lego tables, glitter tattoos and festival art, hot dogs and ice creams and much much more. A big thanks to all the staff who organised and ran the day especially to Joe and the music team.



Parent / Carer Survey

Every year we put out a survey for parents and carers to help us know what we are doing well and what we could do better. We would really appreciate if you could spend a few minutes completing it this week. It will only take a few minutes. Link and QR code to the right.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GOSURVEY24>



Term Dates 24 - 25

Please see below term dates for 2024 – 2025 including INSET Days. Pupils (except new Year 7s) start on Wednesday 4th September.

The School Office will be open in the last week of August but will be closed for Training on Monday 2nd September.

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School Holidays and weekends: Bank Holidays - school is closed: Inset Days - school is closed to pupils: Year 7 Pupils only:

Some Goodbyes

We are sadly saying goodbye to a few staff at the end of term: Maria Davis who has worked in the Office for the last 16 years is retiring – we wish her a very happy retirement and thank her for her incredible contribution over the years. We are also saying goodbye to Emily Williams Curriculum lead at our South Site, Judith Hammond Pathway 2 teacher, Gen Robson College teacher and to Support Assistants Hannah Bailey, Megan Moffit, Lily Mae Brabner. We thank them all for they have given to Great Oaks.

On Tuesday we also held a Special Assembly for our Year 14 students Leaving Great Oaks College. We wish them well in the future Colleges and placements.

International Day

On Monday as pupils moved to their new classes for the day we had a Caribbean themed International day with beach volleyball and Mocktail making amongst the attractions.



A busy Summer ahead

Lots going on over the holidays.

Over the next two weeks we have our popular Summer School running.

We have the start of some improvement work at South site taking place including new fencing and shelters.

In August we have a team of staff from Great Oaks and Rosewood Schools heading out to a special school in Uganda that we have developed a relationship with. More about this in September





