

# News from Oakridge CP School



Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023

We've had another fantastic couple of weeks here. I've been incredibly proud of the amazing behaviour the children have shown both in and out of school. At the basketball tournament, behaviour was impeccable with determination and sportsmanship displayed in equal measure. In school, despite changes to routines due to staff illness, the children have been at their very best.

I'm very excited to hear the results of today's School Council Elections and will share these as soon as possible.

Finally, I really hope to see you at some of our upcoming events. As I won't be able to attend tomorrow's fayre, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTFA for all their amazing work. You give so much time and we are so grateful for your support and particularly for putting the fun in fundraising.

## Nursery parents

If your child is due to start Reception in Sept 2024 you need to apply for a North Yorkshire Primary School place. The deadline to submit your application is 15 January 2024.

If you require any support with this process, please let us know.

We still have places available for Nursery and Reception, please contact the school office to arrange a visit.

## EYFS

Poem of the week: Falling Apples

Ask us about: Ripening strawberries



We have been working so hard in our Little Wandle phonics lessons.



We enjoyed working with the KS1 children to make Christmas wreaths in their RE lesson with Mrs King.

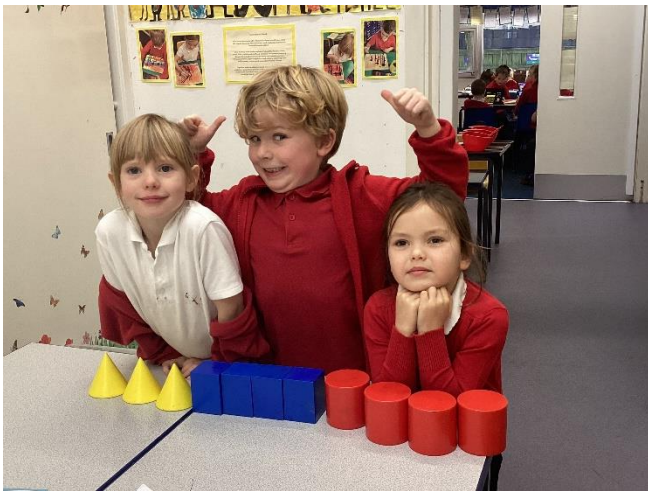
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## Seahorse Class

We are reading: Hodgeheg by Dick King-Smith

Ask us about: How you can help hedgehogs at home.



Year 1 have been learning about 2D and 3D shapes this week in maths.



Year 2 have been learning addition and subtraction with 2-digit numbers.



They enjoyed painting their 3D maps to help them remember the constituent countries of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland.

## Christmas Fair

We are looking forward to the Christmas Fair on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Join us for refreshments, games, tombola and Santa's Grotto.

We hope you can join us.

## Christmas Dinner

We will be having Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. There will be no option for Jacket Potatoes on this day. If your child is on packed lunch and would like to have the Christmas Dinner please inform the school office by 7/12/23.



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## Dolphin Class

We are reading: Clockwork, by Philip Pullman. A gothic fantasy.

We are writing a persuasive travel brochure to advertise the alpine town of Glockenheim where Clockwork is set.

Ask us about: Staying safe online.



Basketball at Whitby Sixth Form was great fun.



Evaluating the taste and texture of 3 different gingerbread recipes was probably the highlight of this week!



We designed our own edible Christmas houses in DT.



Year 3 & 4 spent some time outside with Mrs Richardson prepping the garden for next year's harvest.

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## Christmas Raffle

The draw will take place at the school Christmas Fair on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December.

Some prizes include; £50 Tomahawk Voucher, £30 voucher from Lee's Chippy

Hinderwell, £30 voucher for Jean's Hairdressers Hinderwell, Playfactory/Airtime voucher

The raffle tickets are £1 each and you can purchase these from the school office, Hinderwell Service Station, R Lyth Butchers and Jeans Hairdressers

If you would like to donate any raffle prizes, please hand these in at the school office.

## Dates for the Diary

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Dec – Christmas Fair 2pm-4pm

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Pantomime Whitby Pavilion

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Staff Training Day

Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Dinner

Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity at St. Hilda's 2pm

Thu 21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Christmas Extravaganza 2:30pm and 5:30pm

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Messy Church

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Last day of Term

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Jan – First day of Term

## Attendance

Good attendance is linked to success in all aspects of school life.

This fortnight, our attendance has been

**93.6%**

This is below our target of 96%.