



Thursday 29th February 2024

Oakridge is such an exciting place at the moment: there are trips galore, frogs in the pond, daffodils popping up everywhere and children working hard in classrooms.

EYFS



We love maths in EYFS!



We love getting messy too!

Seahorse Class

We are reading: The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl

Ask us about: Stephenson's Rocket



Representing the 2x table in lots of different ways.



We had an amazing trip to York. We visited the Railway Museum before walking across the city to see inside the Minster. You can see a lot more photos on our facebook page by clicking here.





Dolphin Class

We are reading: October October by Katya

Balen

Ask us about: Biomes



Dolphins were visited last week by PCSO Ellie Hornsby who talked to them about staying safe online.



I was so impressed with the bravery of some of our children who initially weren't that keen but got stuck in regardless.



Year 3 and 4 had an amazing afternoon at the Hockey Event at WSF.



Dolphin class have raised an incredible £692 for Macmillan. They have just 10km to go of their 400km target!





Recruitment

We are so happy to have successfully recruited two amazing new staff members.

Mrs Wilson will join us after the Easter holidays to take over from Mrs Hutchinson in Seahorse class. Mrs Wilson brings a wealth of experience from her time at Castleton and is a real advocate for outdoor learning.

The children and staff are so happy that Mrs Hutchinson, who is taking up a job with adult learners that works better around her family, is still going to support the school by working for us on a supply basis.

Miss Stone will join us from September as our new Teacher in Charge. Miss Stone's passion for education and our community shines through and the School Council -who did an amazing job interviewing every candidate – absolutely loved her.

Community Library

We want our children to love reading and books. Having positive reading role-models will encourage them to read more themselves.

In the foyer of the school we have a selection of books for adults kindly donated by the National Literacy Trust.

Please have a browse, take a book and, when you're finished, bring it back to swap with another book.

World Book Day 8th March 24

We will be celebrating World Book Day on Friday 8th March.

The children will be decorating a peg as their favourite character out of a book (see class dojo for further information).

We have a special World Book Day Menu for lunch;

BFG Beefburger in a bun

Witches Wedges

Mrs Bucket's Baked Beans + Sweetcorn

Charlie's Chocolate + Vanilla Swirl Muffin

If your child is on packed lunch and would like to have this, please inform the school office by Monday 4.3.24.

Easter

We would like to invite you to an Easter Assembly with Reverend Jackson at 1pm on Tuesday 19th March.

We have a special Easter Menu for lunch;

Roast Chicken + Yorkshire Pudding

Roast Potatoes

Gravy

Broccoli + Sweetcorn

Celebration Biscuit

If your child is on packed lunch and would like to have the Easter Menu, please inform the school office by Monday 11.3.24.





EYFS Stay and Play

We welcomed some September 2024 starters this week for a stay and play session. It was lovely to see our older EYFS children take them under their wings.



Come to our next session where your child can enjoy accessing our provision while getting to know our routines with the comfort of a familiar face watching on.

Thursday 18th April 10.30 - 12.00

Friday 10th May 14.00 - 15.15

If you would like to stay for lunch with your child after this session, please inform the school office and we can order your meal.

We will also welcome our new starters for transition week in the week beginning 8th July. Please contact school for details.

PTFA Easter Bingo

The PTFA would like to invite you to the Easter Bingo on Thursday 14th March 24.

Refreshments will be on sale from 4.30pm and eyes down at 5pm.

Any donations for prizes, please hand in to the school office.

Any donations of baking, please bring to the event or to the school office on the day.

Afterschool Clubs

Tuesday – Y6 homework club

Wednesday – Year 1 and 2 Art Club

Thursday – Sports club

Attendance

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

This week, our attendance has been

98.6%

This is above our target of 96%.





Celebration Assembly

Thank you to those of you who joined us to celebrate all of the fantastic work the children have been doing and these children who have excelled over the past two weeks:

Stars of the Week:

Bella and Matilda

Special Award:

Eva and Oscar

Mr Russell's Behaviour for Learning
Award: James

Dates for the Diary

Fri 1st March- Primary Cross Country – POSTPONED due to weather forecast

Mon 4th March – KS1 Parents Meetings

Tues 5th March – KS2 Parents Meetings

Weds 6th March – Year 1-6 visit to Lealholm School to meet the author Isobel Thomas

Thurs 7th March – Quick sticks Hockey Tournament Year 3 and 4

Fri 8th March – World Book Day

Mon 11th March – Straws Cup Football Tournament at 4pm (parents can attend and support)

Thurs 14th March – PTFA Easter Bingo

Fri 15th March – Staff Training Day

Tues 19th March – Happy Easter Lunch

Tues 19th March – Easter Service Assembly with Reverend Malcolm Jackson (families and community members are invited to attend)

Weds 20th-22nd March – Yr3/4 Peat Rigg Residential Trip

Fri 22nd March – Last Day of Spring Term

Mon 8th April – First Day of Summer Term

Tues 9th April – Swimming

Fri 12th April – Messy Church 3:30pm

Mon 6th May – Bank Holiday

Fri 10th May – Messy Church 3:30pm

Mon 27th May-Fri 31st May – Half Term

Thurs 13th – 14th June – Year 6 Edinburgh Trip

Fri 14th June – Messy Church 3:30pm

Weds 3rd July – KS2 Let's Learn Moor 2024

Fri 12th July – Staff Training Day

Mon 8TH July – Transition Week

Mon 22nd July Last Day of Summer Term