

## Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March

The sun is shining, the frogs are out in force and the children of Oakridge are flourishing. It's been a real privilege being able to step back and observe our superb teaching staff. It's been especially fantastic to welcome Miss Stone back.

The *community* in Oakridge Community Primary School is strong this week as we begin hosting the amazing Bread and Butter Thing project where any member of the community can purchase affordable food while also helping the environment by saving food from landfill. Our partnership with the Village Hub at the Old School is also enabling elderly residents to access the project.



Acorns have been practicing self-regulation and developing calming strategies using My Happy Mind.

## Acorn Class

We are reading: Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers

Ask me about EYFS: Mini Beasts

Ask me to sing: Hey Diddle Diddle

Year 1 and 2 ask me about: Stories based on Lost and Found

On Tuesday we had a lovely afternoon in our outside area topping up our bird feeders and finding all the mole hills, we got our trowels and buckets and then put the soil on our raised beds.



## World Book Day

The children have put great effort in to creating their world book day creations.



The Community Library will be in the hall for anyone who would like to leave a book and take a new book as they collect their food. There is a great selection of adult books to choose from.

Your child will be bringing home a National Book Token. Please take this voucher to a book shop to choose your £1 book for free. This is valid until 23.03.25.

## Bread and Butter Thing

We have had great success with introducing The Bread and Butter Thing to our community.

A big thank you to the volunteers that are supporting with this project.

We are excited to see how this develops in the future and the many different opportunities it brings for our community. If you would like any further information about the project, or you would like to volunteer please contact Mr Russell or the school office.

## Easter Service

Please share our Easter Service with friends and family. We look forward to seeing you there.





## Oak Class

We are reading: The Boy at the Back of the Class by Onjali Q Rauf.

We are finishing our class novel and we have had some wonderful discussion around the content. We will soon be moving onto High Rise Mystery. This involves two young detectives. Having read the first chapter, it is clear children are very engaged in this book.

Ask me about: The key features of a Mosque and what each feature symbolises.

Year 3 and 4 took part in the Hockey Coaching session at Whitby on Tuesday. They all showed great skill's during the different activities. Next week they will join Lealholm and take part in the hockey tournament.



Whilst year 3 and 4 were out at hockey, the year 5 and 6 worked together to follow recipes to make pancakes. They got to cook them on the fire pit.



As part of our gardening school we helped Mr Everson create homes for stag beetles and log pile for other mini beats.

## Ready for a fun-filled, action-packed Easter?

With the Easter holidays just a few weeks away, North Yorkshire Outdoor Learning Service have a range of experiences planned to get young people and their families active and in touch with nature this spring.

Family Activity Days are the perfect solution for spending quality time together taking on a challenge in the great outdoors making memories that will last a lifetime. Join the team on a canoe journey at either Bewerley Park in Pateley Bridge or East Barnby near Whitby and get 10% off your Family Activity Day booking using the code 'Hello10'.

Adventure Club will keep your young people busy with activities that could include climbing, caving, high ropes, river scrambling and water sports such as canoeing and sailing. They'll make new friends, challenge themselves and learn a whole range of different skills. All while having lots of fun!

There are also three exciting courses available for young people to try this Easter – rock skills, paddle sports and sailing. Find out more about what's on and when at [www.outdoored.co.uk/schoolholidays](http://www.outdoored.co.uk/schoolholidays) and get ready for an unforgettable outdoor experience like no other!



## FEAST

All families whose children receive benefits-related free school meals have been issued vouchers to access free places on FEAST activities this Easter. You should have received this via email or text, from a platform called Holiday Activities. Follow the link in this email/text to redeem your voucher and book your child's place on some of the fantastic activities on offer in our area.

If you cannot find your voucher, please contact the school office.

To learn more about FEAST, and for information on activities, eligibility, paid-for places and how to manage your bookings, [visit the website](#).

## Lunch Menu

The lunch menu for the next two weeks is listed below. You will be notified of any changes via class dojo.

The children also have the option of Jacket Potato with Tuna, Cheese and Baked Beans.

Monday – Beef Burger

Tuesday – Sweet & Sour Pork Noodles

Wednesday – Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding

Thursday – Creamy Mac & Cheese

Friday – Fish Star

Monday – Italian Pasta Bake

Tuesday – Minced Beef Loaded Wedges

Wednesday – Sausage & Mash

Thursday – Chicken Korma

Friday – Fish Fingers

## News from the PTFA

This week we have funded for Oak Class to go to the Ryedale Folk Museum, this includes transport and tickets.

As we start to think about the Summer Fair, if you have any ideas or can support the event in any way, please speak with Mrs Thompson, or any other members of the PTFA. We will be setting a date to meet and plan the event in the near future.

# News from Oakridge CP School



## Celebration

### Assembly

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 3.10pm**

Join us to celebrate all of the fantastic work the children have been doing and particularly these children who have excelled over the past fortnight:

**Stars of the Week: Myles and Elizabeth**

**Special Award: Caius and Leo**

**Mr Russell's Behaviour for Learning  
Award: Lilly**

Save the date.....



## Attendance

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

This week, our attendance has been  
**99.5%**

This is above our target of 96%. Maintaining this amazing level of attendance will ensure that our pupils achieve their full potential.

## Dates for the Diary

### **March 2025**

Mon 10<sup>th</sup> – Nursery Parents Meetings with Mrs Wilson

Tues 11<sup>th</sup> – Quick Sticks Hockey Tournament Year 3 and 4

Tues 18<sup>th</sup> – Rec and Year 6 NCMP

Tues 18<sup>th</sup> – Straws Cup Football 4pm-6pm

Weds 19<sup>th</sup> – Oak Class Visit to Ryedale Folk Museum

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> – Oak Class Game Of Actual Life

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Staff Training Day

Weds 26<sup>th</sup> – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> – Year 5/6 Peat Rigg

### **April 2025**

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> – Stingers Netball Year 5 and 6

Tues 1<sup>st</sup> – PTFA Easter Bingo Refreshments from 4.30pm Eyes Down 5pm

Weds 2<sup>nd</sup> – Easter Service at St Hilda's Church 2pm

Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Last day of Spring Term

Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> First day of Summer Term

### **May 2025**

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> – Bank Holiday

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> – Family Mental Health Awareness 1:30pm-3:30pm

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> SATS Week

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> – Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Half Term

### **June 2025**

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> - Year 4 Multiplication Check Week

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Year 1 Phonics Screening Test

Weds 25<sup>th</sup> – Class Photographs

### **July 2025**

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Last day of Summer Term