

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025**

We've enjoyed another fab week leading into the half-term break. We were delighted on

Monday to appoint a new teacher for September, Mrs Grady who will work in tandem with Miss Stone in Acorn Class. After an amazing lesson observation and a grilling from the School Council, it was clear that Mrs

Grady is going to be another amazing addition to both our school and the wider Trust bringing a host of expertise from her time teaching in Cornwall.

It was lovely to hear about our y5/6 children's effort at cricket, see some of our new starters on Wednesday, hear a Serbian folk tale from Timothy Edwards in assembly and then see the pride our children took in leading their peers in a curling lesson. You'd think with all of these things going on there wouldn't be time for much else but the quality of children's works going in books has been amazing. I've loved reading KS2's fantasy stories and seeing Acorn class's learning about time in maths lessons.

### **Ask us About:**

Acorns: How to measure water.

Oaks: The rules and tactics of the game  
Curling.

### **We are Reading:**

EYFS: Car, Car, Truck, Jeep

KS1: The Secret Elephant

KS2: High Rise Mystery by Sharna Jackson

### **Acorn Class**

Our Little Acorns have been hard at work designing their very own balance course. It's been wonderful to see such fantastic teamwork and cooperation in action!



## Lunch Menu

The lunch menu for next week 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

## Year 5 and 6 Cricket at Whitby Cricket Club

On Tuesday, our Year 5 and 6 pupils proudly represented Oakridge at Whitby Cricket Club. Although we didn't progress to the next round, we couldn't be prouder of the outstanding attitude, teamwork, and sportsmanship shown by all involved. Well done to everyone who took part—you represented our school brilliantly!



## Curling

It lovely to welcome back Caron Twamley - our School Games Organiser from Lady Lumley's - this time training up a group of pupils to lead a curling activity. The children had an amazing time building their confidence and self-esteem with a morning of planning and practising. They then spent the afternoon teaching both classes leading an exciting competition. It was wonderful to see the way the leaders stepped up setting a fantastic example and gently coaching the smaller children.



## After School Club's

Monday 3.30-4.15pm Mindfulness Crafting with Mrs Wright.

Wednesday and Thursday 3.30-4.15pm Well-being Club with Mrs Harrison and Mrs Wilson.

Places can be booked on the My Child At School App or contact the school office.



## Attendance

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

This week, our attendance has been

**84.1%**

This is below our target of 96%.

## Celebration Assembly

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 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 last week:

**Stars of the Week: Blake and Eddie**

**Special Award: Florence and Leo**

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

## Dates for the Diary

### **May 2025**

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 2<sup>nd</sup> – Swimming 10am

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

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Swimming 10am

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> – Yr1/2 Quad Kids at Whitby School Airy Hill Site

Mon 16<sup>th</sup> – Swimming 10am

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> – Yr6 Edinburgh Trip

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> – Pro Ride Bike Competition

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> – Swimming 10am

Tues 24<sup>th</sup> – Yr5/6 Athletics at Whitby School Airy Hill Site

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

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> – Yr5/6 Rounders at Whitby School Prospect Hill Site

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> – Swimming 10am

### **July 2025**

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> – Bikeability

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> – Bikeability

Mon 7<sup>th</sup> – Swimming 10am

Tues 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> – Yr6 Transition days to Whitby School

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> – Swimming 10am

Mon 14<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day 1.30pm

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> – Canoeing (Reception-Yr6)

Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> – Leavers Assembly 2.30pm

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



## Term Dates 2025 – 2026

Monday 1st September – Staff Training Day

Tuesday 2nd September – Staff Training Day

First day of Autumn Term Wednesday 3rd September  
2025

Oct half term Monday 27th – Friday 31st October  
2025

Last Day of Autumn Term Friday 19th December 2025

Monday 5th January – Staff Training Day

First Day of Spring Term Tuesday 6th January 2026

Feb half term Monday 16th February – Friday 20th  
February 2026

Friday 13th March – Staff Training Day

Last Day of Spring Term Friday 27th March 2026

First Day of Summer Term Monday 13th April 2026

May Day Monday 4th May 2026

May half term Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May  
2026

Last Day of Summer Term Friday 17th July 2026