# NEWSLETTER OAKWELL RISE

Primary Academy

#### A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

So today marks the end of another full term and my word have we enjoyed learning and thriving. It does come with a sad note as we wish Miss Donald farewell as she leaves us after many many successful years as our Office Manager to a promotion outside of the Trust. We welcome Mr Dunn as our new Office Manager who started on Monday - please do pop to say hello and make him welcome!

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

What a lovely last week before we break up for the Easter Holidays. We started the week with a visit to St Peters and St John's church for a special Easter assembly with Father Blair. On Tuesday we started the day with our Spring family learning sessions - some lovely Easter crafts were created, it was a pleasure to see parents and carers creating with their children and we ended Tuesday without Spring disco almost everyone attended and even I had a quick dance with the children. Thank you to everyone who attended our community stakeholder engagement event on Wednesday, this was a great opportunity to meet other great local organisations and partners we work with. Watch this space for our next event. We look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday the 9 April.

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Mrs Faxon

#### **BACK TO SCHOOL AND INSET DAY**

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We return back to school on Tuesday 9th April from 8am, due to having an INSET day for staff training on Monday 8th April. Have a wonderful Easter break.



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Please can we remind parents/carers children need to wear black shoes/boots or trainers for school. If you are struggling to provide black shoes please speak to staff in school as we may be able to support.

You can find more information on our uniform policy here



Friday 22nd March 2024

### TENDANCE

Our target is 97% RECEPTION 96.2% YFAR 1 95.6% YEAR 2 95.9% YEAR 3 94.8% YEAR 4 100% YEAR 5 97.9%

Well done KS2! We hope you all have a wonderful Easter Holiday! See you back on Tuesday 9th April.

98.9%

YEAR 6

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS 97%

NUMBER OF LATES	5	
THIS WEEK		
LOSS OF LEARNING	55	
(MINS)		

### upcoming FRIDAY FEA

APR 12	DEXTER'S DYNAEGG
APR 19	SPINNER CANDY
APR 26	IRON BRU MILLIONS
MAY 3	NUCLEAR STRIKE ATOMIC DIPPER
MAY 10	POPCIFIER
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### EASTER EGG COMPETITION

We were blown away by the entries into our Easter Egg Competition this year! Take a look at the entries below - well done everyone! The competition was judged by Father Blair who chose the winners for each phase! Our winners were:

**EYFS - Mason** KS1 - Aaron LKS2 - Oliver UKS2 - Shantell

Our overall winner was Shantall - congratulations!





#### **WILD DAYS**



Here's a reminder of the Wild Day Timetable, trips are starting again from April. Please ensure your child wears old clothes & trainers/wellies such as joggers, t-shirt, jumpers and waterproof clothing, as they will be venturing outdoors in all weathers!

A £3.50 contribution payment must be paid via Arbor, under trips prior to your child's trip taking place.

WILD DAY TIMETABLE 23/24								
FS2	YEAR 1	YEAR 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6		
30.04.24	30.04.24	15.04.24	23.04.24	23.04.24	15.04.24			
PM	AM	PM	PM	AM	AM			
02.07.24	02.07.24	16.07.24	25.06.24	25.06.24	16.07.24	11.06.24		
PM	AM	PM	PM	AM	AM	ALL DAY		

Learning. Discovering. Creating. Playing. Outside.





### **EYFS ANIMAL CLUB** THURSDAY 10TH APRIL

Our Nursery and Reception children will be treated to a visit from the Animal Club to see and touch a range of petting animals.

The visit will be in our EYFS setting in school and children in groups of 10 will visit the animals at each point.

Please make your £6 payment via Arbor, under trips.



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### **30 HOUR** NURSERY FUNDING

Oakwell Rise Primary Academy is delighted to offer 30 hour funding for children either starting in Nursery or continuing their Nursery education into this academic year, 2023/2024.

> We are able to offer the following: • 30 hr funded places • 15 hr funded places The Nursery day will run as follows: • AM session – 08:30 - 11:30

• PM session - 12:00 - 15:00

For the full time Nursery children, they will be an additional 30 minutes of lunchtime where children will need to be provided with a packed lunch from home. The lunch period will be inclusive within the offer and no further charges will be made.

Admissions to Nursery will be in order of the Date of Birth, regardless of whether you require 30 hrs or 15hrs. If you wish to apply for a 30hr funded place, you need to apply online at <u>https://www.gov.uk/get-tax-free-childcare</u> to receive an 11 digit code.

When you have received an 11 digit code please provide this to the school office by the 1st December for January intake.

### Inspiring today, making a difference tomorrow



We are: Child Focused Nurturing Inclusive Ambitious

### **@** BARNSLEY MUSEUMS

### **Thumbelina** Tuesday 26 March



Brought to life through dance, live music and song, Thumbelina is a gentle and playful performance with the beauty of the natural world at its heart. Children

are invited to take part in Thumbelina's journey, build a shelter from sticks and escape with her from the hungry toad.



11.30am BSL-interpreted performance | 2pm relaxed performance | Ages 3–8 | £5pp Running time 1hr including interactive play. Booking essential: www.cannon-hall.com/whats-on All are welcome to attend either session.

### **Wonderland Trail** Saturday 23 March - Sunday 7 April

Get whisked away to Wonderland this Easter in our forbidden forest. Discover the Cheshire Cat, have a Mad Hatter's tea party and come and play croquet.

Free, drop-in, start the trail behind the deer shelter.



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### Wentworth Castle Gardens

Join us for an Easter Adventures trail (£3) Thursday 28 March to Tuesday 2 April.

During the rest of the holidays why not 'Spring into Sound' and explore nature's soundscape by making music together on big new garden instruments or grabbling a 'chatterbox' activity?



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EXPERIENCE BARNSLEY

### **Mini Magical Worlds** Tuesday 2 April

Create your own model of your favourite part of Middle-Earth whether it be the door to Moria or a cosy hobbit house.

10am–12 noon & 1pm–3pm £5 per child. Suitable for children aged 7+. Booking essential: barnsley-museums.arttickets.org.uk

### **SENsational** Tuesday 26 March

Take part in our unique, multisensory session for families with PMLD autism and who are neurodiverse. The sessions take place in the Learning Lab inside the museum (which is located in the town hall). The space is set up with a range of sensory items, along with soft floor mats and soft lighting.

11am–12 noon & 1pm–2pm. Free, booking essential at Eventbrite: https://bit.ly/3lyQvnb

### Think Ink! Tuesday 2 April



Learn some new, funky techniques for drawing with ink inspired by the artworks in the gallery.

10am–12 noon & 1pm–3pm. Free, places are limited so booking is essential. Tickets available via Eventrite: https://bit.ly/3IyQvnb. Suitable for children aged 7+.

### Elsecar Easter Egg-stravaganza Trail



Saturday 23 March -Sunday 7 April

Have a cracking time this Easter. Find the bunnies and solve the puzzle.

Free, drop-in event. Start the trail at the Visitor Centre.



### **Nature Pinch Pots** Friday 5 April

In this delightful workshop, children will create a clay pot decorated with beautiful leaves and flowers to take home.

10am–12 noon & 1pm–3pm £3 per child. Booking essential: barnsley-museums.arttickets.org.uk

### The World of Brian Wildsmith: a new exhibition of art and illustrations that will enchant children and parents alike.

World-renowned children's book author and illustrator Brian Wildsmith will be celebrated through a season of exhibitions at Experience Barnsley Museum and the Cooper Gallery . **Free entry.**  Coming soon: Opening Saturday, 20 April

For more details on activities visit www.bandey-museums.com or check out our social media @Barnsley Museum