



# NEWSLETTER

OAKWELL RISE  
Primary Academy

Friday 23rd February 2024

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

After many years of hard work and dedication to the school Mrs Donald will be leaving us for a promotion at the end of this half term. We have appointed a great new Office Manager who is keen to get to know the community and join the Oakwell family. We have also appointed a new member of the leadership team who will be our new SENCO. The candidates interviewed today did not only face questions by leaders but by a panel of children too. They certainly put candidates through their paces with great professionalism. Their feedback was wonderful and their favourite candidate was selected for the appointment!



Check out the recruitment panel.

*Mrs Jenkins*

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

Welcome back! It has been lovely to see our children back in the building this week following half-term. Our Choir did us proud on Tuesday when they visited Sheffield Arena for the Young Voices concert - Mrs Beckwith and Mrs Connelly bopped along to a range of hits with the children. Thank you to all parents/carers who collected promptly - it certainly is a late one. Continuing with a musical theme, Year 5 are being treated to a workshop with Opera North - what a great experience for our children.

This is a short half-term with lots of events coming up - including the Spring Disco! Make sure you follow us on Facebook to be promoted with our events.



LIKE AND FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

*Mrs Faxon*

## WORLD BOOK DAY

It's World Book Day on Thursday  
7th March!

Children can come to school  
dressed as their favourite book  
character or in non- uniform.



## WORLD BOOK DAY MENU

### MAIN

All Day Breakfast  
Sausage and Bacon

### VEGGIE

Vegetarian Burger  
Vegetarian Sausage

### SIDES

Beans  
Hash Browns  
Scrambled Egg

### DESSERT

Donut

## ATTENDANCE

Our target is 97%

RECEPTION	98%
YEAR 1	97.8%
YEAR 2	94.8%
YEAR 3	99.3%
YEAR 4	99.2%
YEAR 5	96.9%
YEAR 6	96%

Wowzers, what an amazing first week back! Well done everyone!

### SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

THIS WEEK IS 97.4%

NUMBER OF LATES THIS WEEK	4
LOSS OF LEARNING (MINS)	69

## UPCOMING FRIDAY FEASTS

**MAR 1** BAZOOKA RING POP

**MAR 8** CANDY WATCH

## GET INTO TEACHING



**SCIENCE WEEK**  
8TH - 17TH MARCH

As part of Science week, 8th -17th March we will be holding a science gadget shop with lots of STEM based items available to buy. Items brought will be delivered to your child 12th March to bring home. Please note colours may vary.



**SCIENCE LEARNING DAY**  
TUESDAY 12TH MARCH

As part of Science Week we are inviting parents in to come and take part in some science experiments. Book your space via Arbor, under clubs. Please note spaces are limited. The science sessions are running 2pm-3pm on Tuesday 12th March.



**RED NOSE DAY**  
15.03.24

It's Red Nose Day on Friday 15th March! To celebrate, children can come into school dressed in sports wear or non-uniform. Children will be enjoying a fun Comic Relief assembly in the afternoon.

**Y6 SWEET SHOP**

On Friday 15th March our Year 6 will be starting their fundraising drive by selling sweets during break and lunchtime. Children can bring money to buy sweets on this day. Sweet packs will be £2 each.



*Spring Disco*

£ 2.50 per ticket (snack and drink)

**19th March 2024**

2 - 2.30pm: EYFS  
2.30 - 4pm: Years 1-6

There will be NO after-school clubs on this day.

**HESLEY WOOD RESIDENTIAL**

A reminder that payments for the Residential Trip are due by 31st May 2024. You can top up payments via Arbor or by visiting the school office

Barnsley

**METRODOME**

**Y5 SWIMMING LESSONS**

Our Year 5 children will be starting their swimming lessons on Tuesday 5th March 2024 at Barnsley Metrodome. Swimming is delivered as part of the PE curriculum and all children regardless of swimming ability will be taking part.

Your child's swimming lesson will take place each Tuesday. Your child will need to bring a towel and their swimming shorts (boys) or swimming costume (girls - no bikinis) to school on a Tuesday. All long hair must be tied up with a bobble.

Please complete the following google form with details of their current swimming capabilities:  
<https://forms.gle/fWAcXb3vKcddSjMjU8>



# OH Snap

## This Week's Snapshots



## 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 <https://www.gov.uk/get-tax-free-childcare> 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



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We are:  
Child Focused  
Nurturing  
Inclusive  
Ambitious

