



NEWSLETTER

OAKWELL RISE
Primary Academy

Friday 2nd February 2024

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

This week I have had the pleasure of looking through many examples of children's work across school and can see the hard work of the Autumn term is now paying off. The children take such pride in their learning which is a joy to see. This week I have also shown numerous other colleagues from across the Trust around Oakwell Rise to share the magic within the building. Your children were so polite and kind to all the visitors showing off their skills and knowledge!

#ProudOfOakwellRise

Mrs Jenkins

A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

Year 1 and Year 2 had their Top Trump Trip to Metrodome Bowling on Tuesday - with only Reception Class remaining who visit next week. It has been amazing to hear the stories from the children as they shared their bowling scores and who got a strike! There is some healthy competition and good team praise amongst our children.

Well done for following our #Oakwell Rise Promise.

A reminder that we are closed on Friday 9th February as all colleagues across Wellspring Academy Trust come together for a shared day of Learning at the 'Wellspring Festival of Learning'.



LIKE AND FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Mrs Faxon

ATTENDANCE

Our target is 97%

RECEPTION	96.2%
YEAR 1	91.8%
YEAR 2	93.9%
YEAR 3	90.6%
YEAR 4	99.6%
YEAR 5	95.8%
YEAR 6	97.1%

A huge congratulations to Year 4! Only one more week to go, lets aim for an all green week.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

THIS WEEK IS 94.9%

NUMBER OF LATES THIS WEEK	23
LOSS OF LEARNING (MINS)	223

INSET DAY

Friday 9th February is an INSET day for staff training. Our February half term dates are Monday 12th - Friday 16th February 2023.

Children will return to school on Monday 19th February.



Thursday 8th February 2024

This February, enjoy breakfast together with your friends, family or colleagues and be part of Magic Breakfast's Great Big Breakfast.

We are inviting parents/carers/families to come into school to enjoy a breakfast. We will have:

Fruit	Porridge	Bagels	Toast
Cereals	Sausage Sandwiches	Bacon Sandwiches	Egg Sandwiches

Come and join in as we celebrate with @magicbreakfastuk

Magic Breakfasts help support hundreds of schools across England and Scotland, each and every school day, to offer breakfast to thousands of children who otherwise might not have anything to eat all morning. Every Magic Breakfast costs just 28p. Help us promote this wonderful initiative and share their funding page:

<https://www.magicbreakfast.com/.../great-big-breakfast/...>

UPCOMING FRIDAY FEASTS

FEB 9 SLUSH PUPPY COTTON CANDY

FEB 23 DWEEB'S LEMONADE/APPLE

MAR 1 BAZOOKA RING POP

MAR 8 CANDY WATCH

GET INTO TEACHING

WITH JOSIE THIRKELL INSTITUTE

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Beginning this term, a limited number of spaces will become available for group guitar & ukulele tuition for pupils at your child's school (**existing students please disregard**). Guitar lessons are available for students in years 2-6 and ukulele lessons for students in year 1-3.

KEY INFORMATION

- Lessons are 30 minutes long and take place during the school day.
- Lessons take place on a set day of the week at each school. We will confirm prior to the lessons beginning, which day they will take place at your child's school.
- Lessons are ongoing throughout the school year.
- Each group usually contains between **3-5 students**.
- Lessons are **£5.95 per student**, but **fees are invoiced on a termly (5-7 weeks) basis**.
- There is a **one-off joining fee of £5.95**, which covers the cost of all the resources your child will be given over the course of their tuition.
- Students can borrow a guitar in school for their lesson, but we advise they purchase their own instrument at some point, so they are able to practice at home.

Further details about our lessons can be found on our website at:

www.wecreatemusic.co.uk



If your child is interested in signing up for music lessons with Create Music, please sign up to Arbor, under clubs.

- Guitar lessons are for year group 2-6
- Ukulele lessons are for year group 1-3

Please note Create Music will contact and invoice you directly.

YEAR 3 & 4 TRIP - TEMPLE NEWSAM

Year 3 & 4 are visiting Temple Newsam on Wednesday 6th March as part of their history topic.

An email has been sent out with all the information on. Please log on to Arbor to make your contribution payment of £17.00.

LABELING ITEMS

Can we kindly remind parents/carers to label any items that come to school with your child's name and class. This will help us return any missing items to the rightful owner.

This item belongs to

Joe Bloggs



Friday 2 February -
Saturday 23 March 2024



BARNSELY BOOK FESTIVAL

The first Barnsley Book Festival is taking place across Barnsley from Friday 2nd February to Saturday 23rd March.

The fully packed programme will feature local and national authors, storytellers, artists, and speakers, celebrating the power of literature and our shared love for reading. We know that many of the events will be popular, so please book in advance on our [library events](#) page so you don't miss out.

[Download a PDF of the full programme.](#)

We can't wait to see you!



A fantastical time

This February half term @ BARNSELY MUSEUMS



Pinecone Pets

Thursday 15 February

Make your own marvellous mouse or fantastic fairy friend using just pinecones and other natural materials in this eco-friendly workshop.

10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm | All ages | Free, drop-in. In the North Glass Training Room, Cannon Hall Walled Garden

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. In the Ballroom, Cannon Hall Museum. Running time 1hr including interactive play. Booking essential: www.cannon-hall.com/whats-on

Enjoy lots of free family fun in the museum try out some traditional toys, dress like a Victorian or bake in the wooden kitchen in the Servants Hall.



All at Sea!

Friday 16 February

Come along and have fun making your own maritime masterpiece inspired by the seascapes in the Cooper Collection. 10am-12 noon and 1pm-3pm Free | drop-in. In the Sadler Room

Multisensory Trails

Explore our beautiful outside spaces at Cannon Hall and Worsbrough like never before on our free multi sensory trail, listen to the sound of water rushing, take in the smells of wildflower or see if you can spot a fish!

Coming soon

Wild and Wonderful

Thursday 15 February

Join land artist James Brunt as he creates a stunning piece of art using natural materials in our Wagonway Glade. 10am-3pm | Free, drop-in. Follow the signs from the Mill Yard

Cook up a storm (or maybe a mud pie or two) in our marvelous mud kitchen.

Wacky Races!

Wednesday 14 February

Calling all budding engineers! In this hands-on workshop, have a go at making your own balloon powered marvelous machine. 10am & 1pm | Free. In the Education Room above the Visitor Centre. Book your place at elsecar-heritage.com/whats-on



Here be Dragons!

Tuesday 13 February

Come and see us to create your own fantastical map inspired by the magic of Lord of the Rings. 10am-12 noon & 1pm-3pm Free, drop-in. In the Learning Lab

SENsational

Wednesday 14 February

Book on this multisensory experience for families with PMLD, autism and who are neurodiverse. The sessions take place in the Learning Lab inside the museum. The space is set up with a range of sensory items, along with soft floor mats and soft lighting. Places are limited, book tickets through Eventbrite. 11am - 12noon and 1pm - 2pm

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



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Valentine's Day

- sharing, connecting, supporting

Join us for Stronger Together's Valentine's Day extravaganza! Celebrate the day of love with our wonderful group for a morning of love and laughter, open to residents across Barnsley.

What to expect?

- ♥ Celebrate the most important person in your life - yourself! Set your self-love goals for the year ahead.
- ♥ Join us in celebrating by participating in creative activities, such as crafting personalised Valentine's Day cards.
- ♥ Have a natter and reminisce with our supportive community over a comforting cuppa.

When?

Tuesday 13th February, 11am - 1pm

Where?

The Stronger Together Hub, McLintocks, Summer Lane, S70 2NZ

Contact

Contact Hannah to book your place:

07526 766953

hannah.marsh@dialbarnsley.org.uk



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Join Us for Stronger Together Online!

Wednesday 14th February at 11am for a special Valentine's Day session

Video call via GoogleMeet



This Valentine's Day, celebrate the most important person in your life - yourself! From the comfort of your home, join us to share your journey of self-love and empowerment. Set your own self-love goals, participate in online activities, and have a natter with our supportive, virtual community.

For more information, contact Hannah

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Stan and Mabel

Family Concert

presented by Concerteenies and Hallam Sinfonia



Saturday 10th February 11.30am and 1.30pm*

Victoria Hall, Norfolk Street, Sheffield, S1 2JB

Presenter: Polly Ives, Conductor: Helen Harrison

Music-loving dog and cat, Stan and Mabel, are off to find their neighbour who's gone to judge the Greatest Orchestra in the World Competition – leading them on a musical adventure featuring a host of animal instrumentalists and a very unusual debut performance. Based on the book by Jason Chapman, with music by composer Paul Rissmann we combine story-telling, projected illustrations, quality music and plenty of audience participation. This is a perfect introduction to the orchestra with music also by Florence Price, Strauss and Tomlinson.

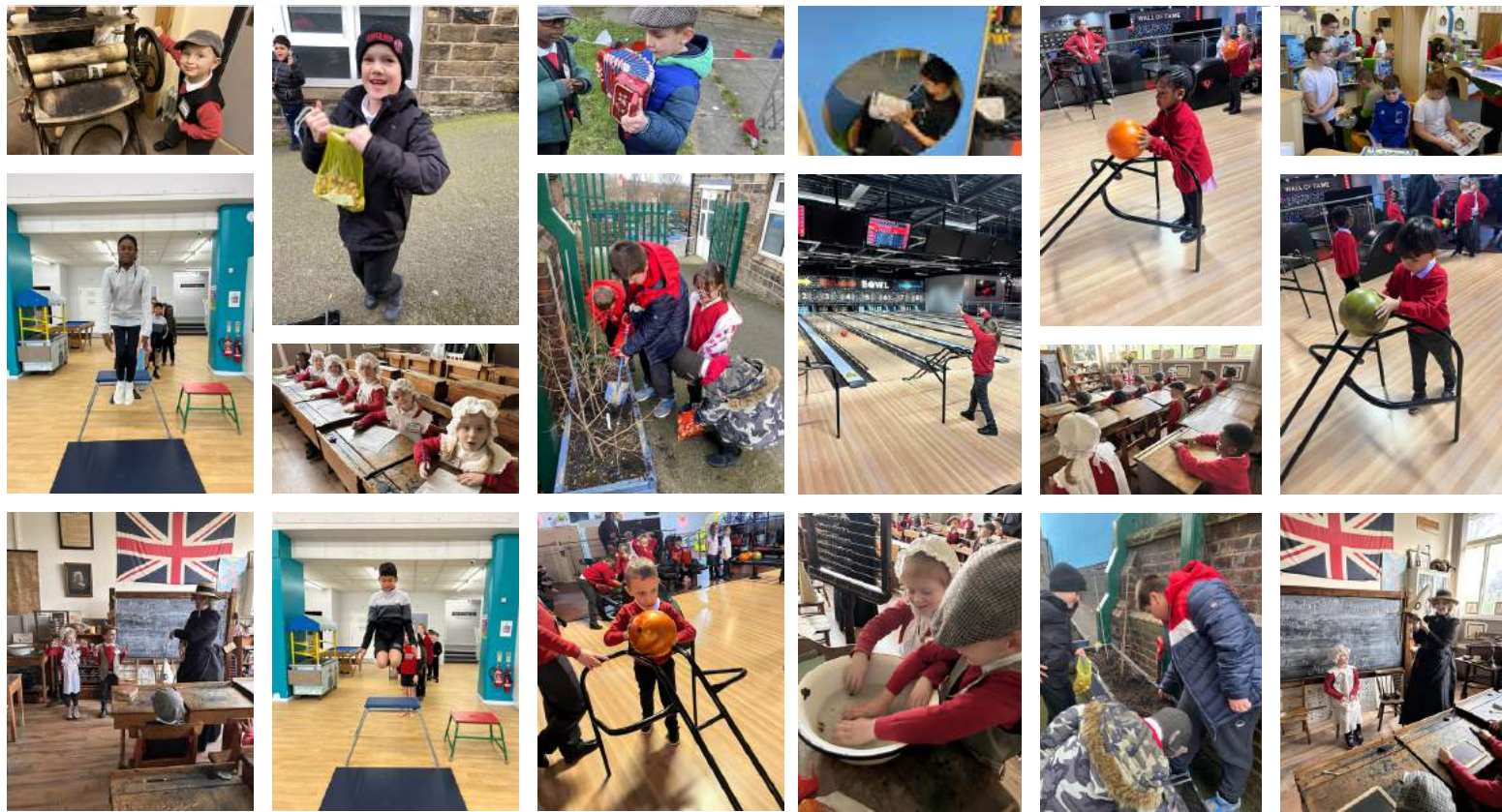
Ideal for age 3+ and their grown-ups

Tickets: £10.50 adults, £3.50 children, Under 1s free.

*includes BSL interpreter

Book tickets via www.concerteenies.com/events

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.



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Primary Academy

We are:
Child Focused
Nurturing
Inclusive
Ambitious

Inspiring today, making a difference tomorrow

