



NEWSLETTER

OAKWELL RISE
Primary Academy

Friday 6th February 2026

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

This week Baxter joined the school for a Monday morning assembly. He showed off his skills of sitting for a treat and enjoyed watching the children sing to start their week. He met the nursery children who asked insightful questions and with lots of help met a little girl who he enjoyed playing ball with. Its safe to say Baxter is settling in well to school life!



Mrs Jenkins

A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

We have enjoyed a busy week again at Oakwell with Year 1 children enjoying their Victorian Classroom trip and Year 5 enjoying a Sports and Oracy event at Horizon. Year 6 have also been busy this week completing their assessments: they have all worked incredibly hard and should be very proud not only of their progress but also of what a brilliant attitude to their learning that they have had - well done. Next is the final week of the half term before we all enjoy a rest! Have a great weekend everyone.

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Mrs Faxon

ATTENDANCE

Our target is 97%

RECEPTION	94.3%
YEAR 1	93%
YEAR 2	97%
YEAR 3	98%
YEAR 4	97.3%
YEAR 5	97.3%
YEAR 6	97%

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
THIS WEEK IS 96.3%**

NUMBER OF LATES THIS WEEK	33
LOSS OF LEARNING (MINS)	538



On Tuesday 10th February we have booked an exciting trip for our Reception - Y6 children to visit the cinema!

They will be watching Zootropolis 2!

To make the experience extra special, children are welcome to bring a snack from home to enjoy during the movie. We kindly ask that you avoid large sharing bags, nuts, hard boiled sweets and chewing gum.

Children will be walking to Cineworld Barnsley and return to school for their lunch. Please ensure your child wears school uniform and that they bring a waterproof coat, wear sensible shoes for walking and water bottle.

Please make your contribution payment of £4.50 via Arbor.



**INSET DAY
13.02.26**

School will be closed to children on Friday 13th February 2026 due to a staff training day.

Reminder

Y6 PARENT /CARER MEETINGS

Reminder to book your Year 6 parent/carer meetings with Miss Batley next week.

These can be booked via Arbor under Guardian Consultations.

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WELLSPRING

CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY SESSION!

Unlock Your Potential, Explore Your Community!

WHEN: 10th Feb | 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

WHERE: Oakwell Rise School (School Hall)

Please Note: Children must attend with a parent/carer.

DISCOVER HOW TO: Gain Points in the Community!

- Participate in local challenges
- Volunteer & help out
- Visit learning destinations
- Track your progress!

Find FREE Activities for Weekends & Holidays!

- Sports clubs & games
- Arts & crafts workshops
- Outdoor adventures
- Library events & more!

Join us for fun, learning, and new adventures! See you there!

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS

Our afterschool clubs have now finished, there are no clubs next week.

They will return the week commencing 2nd March.

As it's a short half term, we will be rolling over the clubs. If you are already signed up for an afterschool club this will just continue.

YV YOUNG VOICES

If your child is attending the Young Voices concert on Wednesday 11th February an email has been sent out with some important information on.

They will be leaving school around 12pm and returning around 9.30pm. They will be eating their lunch at school and will need an additional lunch for their evening meal at the arena.

Parents/Carers will need to collect from school and a text message will be sent out when they depart from the arena to keep you up to date with their arrival time back at school.

We hope they are excited!

THINKING ABOUT THE FUTURE

CAREERS WEEK 9TH- 13TH MARCH

Calling all parents & carers - Can you help us.

Careers week at Oakwell Rise
Monday 9th March - Friday 13th March
Oakwell Rise

We are looking for parents and carers who would kindly come and share about their job role with the children! We are wanting to share all about different kinds of occupations and would love this to come from within our community. This would only be a short session followed by a few questions from the children - around 10/15 minutes for a class.

If you would like to help us - please speak to Miss Sharpe or Mrs Groom for more information.

Thank you for your support!

CAN YOU HELP US?

We are looking for parents or carers who would kindly come & share about their job & what they do to the children.

If you would like to support us on this whole school event please contact Miss Sharpe or Mrs Groom.

We are wanting to share all about lots of different occupations!

Thank you! ❤️

CAREERS WEEK 9TH- 13TH MARCH

Spring

Key Dates

28 JAN	Parenting & Support Group
30 JAN	KS1/2 Non-Uniform Day
2 FEB	KS1/2 Non-Uniform Day
4 FEB	Parent Breakfast Club
9 FEB	Y6 Parent/Carer Meetings
10 FEB	Y6 Parent/Carer Meetings
11 FEB	Young Voices
13 FEB	INSET DAY – Festival of Learning
16 FEB – 20 FEB	Half Term
24 FEB	Y5 Swimming Starts
5 MAR	World Book Day
11 MAR	Science Workshops
13 MAR	KS1 Magna Trip
17 MAR	Book Fair
24 MAR	Easter Disco
24 MAR	Parent Craft Day
24 MAR	Non-Uniform Day
26–27 MAR	Y4 Residential Trip

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 the next academic year, 2025/2026.

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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We are:
Child Focused
Nurturing
Inclusive
Ambitious

Inspiring today, making a difference tomorrow

