



NEWSLETTER

OAKWELL RISE
Primary Academy

Friday 15th May 2026

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

What a busy week! a huge well done to our Year 6 children. They have been absolutely brilliant during their SATs this week, Showing off all their learning. We know these weeks can feel a bit daunting, but they handled everything with a smile and stayed focused from start to finish. We are all incredibly proud of them!

Now that the tests are finished, we have plenty of excitement to look forward to as a school. Next week is looking very busy including our Cultural Workshops happening across the school. It's going to be a lovely, fun-filled way to spend our final week together before we all head off for the half-term break. Thank you for all your support in helping the children get ready this week—it really makes a difference!

Mrs Jenkins

ATTENDANCE

Our target is 97%

RECEPTION	97.7%
YEAR 1	92.7%
YEAR 2	94.1%
YEAR 3	98.2%
YEAR 4	97.5%
YEAR 5	92.4%
YEAR 6	99.6%

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS 96%

NUMBER OF LATES THIS WEEK	34
LOSS OF LEARNING (MINS)	355

A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

This week our fantastic Year 6 children have taken their SATs. A busy for them and really is the start of their journey to secondary school. It has been an absolute pleasure to part of this with the children this week: the children have worked so hard, been so focused and had such a positive attitude throughout the week. A huge well done to the children, the team working with them and to all parents and carers for their support. Next week is our final week of the half term, we are busy with Top Trumps trips and everything else in between. Have a great weekend everyone.

Mrs Faxon

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CENSUS DAY THURSDAY 21ST MAY

On Thursday 21st May, it's Census Day and we have a special menu on offer!

This is a really important day for us. A large chunk of school funding for the year is based on how many children eat a school lunch on this day. The funding goes towards maintaining school resources and to continue to provide a good quality of education for your children.

If your child doesn't normally have school hot dinners, why not give them a try! Sandwiches and Jacket potato options will also be available to order.

Half Term



Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May is Half Term. School will be closed to children.

We return back to school on Monday 1st June from 8am.

Please note school does not open until 8am, children should not arrive earlier than this time.

Try a School Meal Day Menu

Main	Side	Dessert
Piri Piri Chicken or Piri Piri Vegan Pieces	Golden Rice, Coleslaw, Tortilla Wrap and Salad	Mini Doughnuts, Cinnamon Sprinkle and Chocolate sauce

Try something new! The meals are delicious, tasty, healthy, nutritious.



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Diversity Day



On Wednesday 20th May, we will be holding a diversity day where the children will be able to dress in their own clothes that represent them and their identity to school on this day. This could be something that represents their culture, their hobby or a specialist interest.



HEADLICE REMINDER

Please remember to regularly check your child's hair for head lice. Routine inspections help prevent the spread within our community.

If you find any evidence of lice or nits:



Treat the hair immediately using a recommended treatment



Inform the school or childcare provider



Check all other family members

Thank you for your cooperation!



18.5.26

Y3 & Y4

15.5.26

Y5 & Y6

22.5.26

Nursery &
Reception
Y1 & Y2

Our whole school McDonald's trip is coming up soon! Please check the timetable to see when your child's class will be heading out to enjoy their meal. Nursery and Reception children will enjoy their McDonald's lunch within school.

The cost of the meal is £3.89 per child. Please make your payment via Arbor.

CLASS PHOTOS

Class photographs are taking place on Tuesday 19th May. Please ensure your child comes to school dressed in full school uniform.

Non-Uniform Dates



Friday 22nd May

Donations towards
Summer Fair

Bottle Donations
(This can be any full,
unopened bottles
including pop,
bath/shower etc)



Friday 12th June

Donations towards
Summer Fair

Tombola
Donations



WILD DAY DATE CHANGES

Please note there have been a couple of changes to the Wild Day timetable

Y3 & Y4 - 24.06.26

Reception Class - 07.07.26



YEAR 6 LEAVERS EVENTS 2026

15 MAY

Locke Park
&
Mcd's




1 JUNE

Easter
Reward Trip
Laser Tag





10 JUNE

Priory
Abbey

16 JUNE

Yorkshire
Sculpture
Park



17 JUNE

Sports Day



24-26 JUNE

Residential
Hesley
Wood

29 JUNE

Library Trip



1 JULY

Wild Day



3 JULY

Colour Run



8 JULY

Horizon
Transition
Day



9 JULY

Whitby




14-15 JULY

Barnsley
Academy
Transition




15 JULY

Prom



17 JULY

Leavers
Assembly



Summer 1

Key Dates

21 APR	Year 5/6 - McDonalds (500 Y5)
22 APR	Year 5/6 - McDonalds (500 Y6)
23 APR	Year 5/6 - McDonalds
24 APR	Year 5/6 - McDonalds
27 APR	Year 5/6 - McDonalds
4 MAY	Bank Holiday - School Closed
6 MAY	Y1/2/3/4 - McDonalds
11-14 MAY	SAT/ Sun/ Mon/ Tue
15 MAY	Y3/4 - McDonalds
18 MAY	Y3/4 - McDonalds
19 MAY	Class Photos
20 MAY	Y3/4/5/6 - McDonalds
20 MAY	Diversity Day - own clothes that represent them and their identity.
21 MAY	Census Day
22 MAY	FS/KS1 McDonalds
25-29 MAY	MAY Half Term - School Closed
1 JUNE	Return to School
2 JUNE	Poetry Day