



NEWSLETTER

OAKWELL RISE
Primary Academy

Friday 25th September 2026

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

I am delighted to share that we recently had the pleasure of welcoming one of our Trustees for a tour of our school. During her visit, she was incredibly impressed by the wonderful atmosphere across all year groups. She noted how wonderful it was to see the children hard at work in their lessons, as well as enjoying their time playing together in our high-quality environments. It was a proud moment to showcase the dedication of our staff and the fantastic engagement of our pupils. Thank you, as always, for your continued support in making our school community so special.

Mrs Jenkins

A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

Another lovely week at Oakwell with different activities throughout the school. This week our newly elected MOD party has met and completed some training on how to be a leader. They will soon be working with the rest of the school to gather other pupil voice and suggestions for development at our school - a very important job. Have a great weekend everyone.

Mrs Faxon

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ATTENDANCE

Our target is 97%

RECEPTION	98.5%
YEAR 1	97.2%
YEAR 2	96.7%
YEAR 3	95.6%
YEAR 4	98.5%
YEAR 5	96.2%
YEAR 6	95%

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
THIS WEEK IS 94.9%

NUMBER OF LATES THIS WEEK	24
LOSS OF LEARNING (MINS)	568

Please note there will be no afterschool clubs on Thursday 1st October due to staff training



AUTUMN AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS



Monday

-  Just Dance FS2-KS1
-  Board Games FS2-KS2
-  Colouring & Creative KS2

Tuesday

-  Messy Play FS2-KS1
-  Computers & iPads KS2

Wednesday

-  Chill FS2-KS2

Thursday

-  Multis Skills FS2-KS2
-  Dance FS2-KS2
-  Construction KS2
-  Football FS2-KS1

Friday

-  Dodgeball FS2-KS2

To book your child onto the session, visit the Arbor App, scroll down to activities and click clubs. Arbor will open at 6pm Friday 25th September and close at 12pm Monday 28th Sept.

UPCOMING EVENTS

1 OCT

CENSUS DAY

13 OCT

HALLOWEEN DISCO

13 OCT

AUTUMN CRAFT DAY

13 OCT

NON UNIFORM DAY

19-30 OCT

OCTOBER HALF TERM

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We Make A Difference

Thursday
1st
October



Try a School Meal Day Menu

Main

Build your own
BBQ chicken
wrap
or
Eat Curious
BBQ wrap

Side

Homemade
jacket
potato
wedges,
coleslaw
and salad

Dessert

Freshly
baked
citrus
muffin

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



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WELLSPRING
Caring team

Census Day Special Menu Thursday 2nd October!

School funding depends directly on how many children enjoy a school lunch on Census Day. More meals served means more funding for your children's education and school resources. If your child usually brings a packed lunch, please encourage them to try a hot dinner! Sandwiches and jacket potatoes will also be available.



Autumn Craft Day
Tuesday 13th October



YEAR 1 - YEAR 6
MUSIC - COSTUME - GAMES
Halloween Disco

OCT
13

FROM 14.30 UNTIL 16.00



RECEPTION
MUSIC - COSTUME - GAMES
Halloween Disco

OCT
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FROM 14.00 UNTIL 14.30



More families eligible for free school meals

From September 2026, there will be significant changes to Free School Meals (FSM) eligibility in England.

All children in households on Universal Credit will be eligible — regardless of income.



Apply now by scanning the QR code or visiting barnsley.gov.uk/free-school-meals-form

Transitional protection is ending, which means some current eligibility may change. Families will receive an official notification by letter if they're affected.

These changes aim to give more families the support they need and ensure every child can access a healthy meal at school.

Find out more about free school meals at barnsley.gov.uk/free-school-meals