



NEWSLETTER

OAKWELL RISE
Primary Academy

Friday 2nd October 2026

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE PRINCIPAL

Thank you to all parents/carers who took part in our recent Relationships Sex Education consultation. Your views and insights are greatly appreciated, and we will share the outcomes of the consultation with you in due course.

Additionally, please look out for our PSHE half-term curriculum map, which will be emailed out this Monday. They will provide an overview of what your children will be learning throughout this half term.

Mrs Jenkins

A MESSAGE FROM OUR HEAD OF SCHOOL

Another great week at Oakwell. At the start of the week some of the residents from Galteemore Residential home came to join our Reception children spend some time singing songs and sharing some stories. A lovely event for all involved - the children thoroughly enjoyed it! Have a great weekend everyone.



LIKE AND FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Mrs Faxon



PARKING NOTICE: SCHOOL DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

Please park responsibly and safely around school grounds:

- Keep the driveway clear at all times for emergency vehicles and deliveries.
- Do not park on double yellow lines.
- Respect our neighbours do not block driveways or properties.
- Leave plenty of room on footpaths for pedestrians, wheelchair users, and strollers.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: TIMELY SCHOOL DROP-OFFS AND PICK-UPS

Please help us maintain a smooth learning environment by ensuring on-time arrivals and collections:

- Morning Arrival: Arrive by 8:40am for an 8:45am start.
- Collection: 3:00pm or 3:05pm sharp.
- After School Club: Pick up promptly at 4:00pm.

Late arrivals disrupt lessons, and late pick-ups require unscheduled staff supervision. Thank you for your support!

We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our school day running on time.

ATTENDANCE

Our target is 97%

RECEPTION	95.5%
YEAR 1	96.9%
YEAR 2	98.9%
YEAR 3	98.1%
YEAR 4	98.2%
YEAR 5	96.4%
YEAR 6	96.4%

**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
THIS WEEK IS 97.2%**

NUMBER OF LATES THIS WEEK	30
LOSS OF LEARNING (MINS)	418

Please note there will be no afterschool clubs on Thursday 8th October due to staff training

UPCOMING EVENTS

13 OCT	HALLOWEEN DISCO
13 OCT	AUTUMN CRAFT DAY
13 OCT	NON UNIFORM DAY
19-30 OCT	OCTOBER HALF TERM



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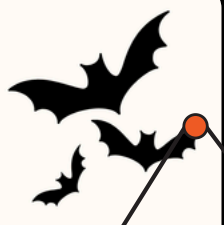
**ENJOY A SWEET TREAT AT THE DISCO OR MUNCH ON IT ON THE
WAY HOME. DON'T MISS OUT!**



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

OCT
13

FROM 14.30 UNTIL 16.00



Don't Forget!
Book your
ticket now!



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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