



Overdale C.P Primary School

June 2022– Newsletter 10 ‘Respect, Responsibility, Resilience’

Term 3.2

We are thrilled to have our new school finally Officially open!

Compliments about our children in school and at the ceremony were many and it was our joy to receive these. Year 6 were excellent tour guides and they received many personalised compliments, well done Year 6.

Thank you to the parents who were able to attend, it was lovely to have your support.

If anyone would like a programme from the day as a souvenir of the event, please email office@overdale.n-yorks.sch.uk to request a copy.

Diary Dates



Year 5 Trip

Friday 10th June

Year 6 Residential Trip

Wednesday 15th June

Sports Day

Wed 22nd June

INSET DAYS

Mon 25th July

School re-opens

Tuesday 7th June

Written Reports home

Wed 20th July

School Year Ends

Fri 22nd July

Grand Opening

The Final Half Term

This is going to be very busy so please check your Dojo messages daily, as this is now our main way to communicate with parents. Many classes have arranged trips, so again look out for these dates.

Our Early Years will be having a Local Authority review and our Key Stage 1 writing will be moderated. Year 6 SATs results will be available in July alongside the Y1 phonics outcomes. School accountability has now returned to pre-pandemic levels, staff are adjusting to this, ensuring our children work with these systems as part of their daily learning.

Health and Safety

Bikes / scooters

We are thrilled that some children have chosen to come to school on their bike or scooter. It is important that all riders wear a helmet when arriving at school on a bike / scooter, going forward we will only store bikes / scooters for children wearing safety helmets.

We are now directing children to walk around the KS2 classrooms to their class, after dropping off their bikes, and Miss Jordan (morning) or Mrs Davies (afternoon) will be at the gate to ensure children do not return along the exit path.



New Entry / Exit Routines

EYFS – at the classroom door morning and afternoon. Siblings from KS1 will also go into school and exit school by this route.

KS1 – Teachers will collect children on the path in the morning. At home time parents will go to the classroom doors to collect children directly from there.

KS2 – we expect all children in these classes to enter and exit school INDEPENDENTLY.

Highways continue to review the path to the schools safe gate and look at ways to improve it.

The school provision for parent parking will now extend to parents being able to park in the car park at the front of school BEYOND the barrier, this gives an additional 13 parking spaces.

Please may we remind you that this provision will only continue if it is used safely. Please continue to respect the need for the turning circle to be kept clear at all times and that parking on the yellow lines is not a safe practice.

Respect for school's expectations is an important part of your child's day, please model this for your child by parking in line with the schools 'safe parking' requests.

Holidays in term time

We will not be able to authorise holidays moved to the school year 2022 / 2023 due to Covid. When a child is absent due to Covid this will now be a part of their overall school absence. When you take a holiday in term time please ensure that you complete a holiday form so that we know your child is safe and we do not need to make a home visit to check this.

We strongly advise that parents of children in Year 6 do not take holidays as this is a crucial year in their education. This is also the advice of the local Authority.

After school provision (Wrap around Care)

We still have a few vacant places in our after school provision which started after February half term. The sessions need to be booked one week in advance so that we can staff the sessions in line with guidance. The cost of the sessions is £5 per day and payment needs to be made on Parentpay each week. The class will not have more than 15 children in to the end of the year, with 2 staff responsible for the provision.



PE kit

Please ensure your child has kit in school every week from Monday to Friday.

PE is a statutory requirement within the curriculum and we need children to have their kits in school, every week. Teachers will post changes of days on Dojo's to enable earrings to be left out on those days. **We are now preparing for Sports Day – this is not possible if children do not have kit.**

The date for this is Wednesday 22nd June, a timetable for classes will follow shortly.

Jewellery including earrings

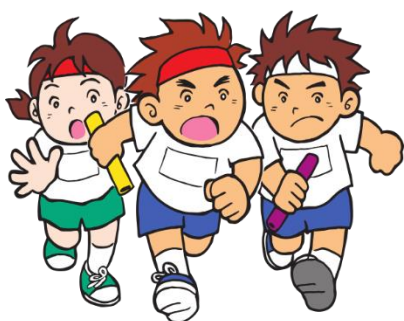
Children are not allowed to wear jewellery or earrings for PE lessons or Sports Day. Earrings CAN NOT be covered with plasters, this practice was banned TEN years ago. Earrings must be removed, if they cannot be removed children will be put into an alternative classroom for the PE session.

Breakfast Club

This is now a popular provision and numbers vary daily which makes staff a challenge. Please ensure you book your child's place through the school office e-mail (office@overdale.n-yorks.sch.uk) so that we staff the provision safely. Going forward we can only accept children into the provision who are booked into the provision.

Advanced notice

Breakfast club will be closed on the last day of term, Friday 22nd July 2022. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.



Choir Club

This starts Monday 13th June. 3pm to 3.45pm until the end of the school year. Your child needs to request a permission slip letter from their teacher or the school office.



Healthy schools status.

As a healthy school may we remind you that we do not accept sweets on school site, including sweets in lunch boxes, or drinks other than milk or water.

We are not able to give out sweets / food as gifts to children when a child has their birthday in term time. This is to support our Healthy Schools plan and also more importantly to protect our children with serious allergens.



Transition to new classes.

All children will have the opportunity to visit their new class for September for a least one day and additional events to enable children to gain the information they need to plan for learning at the start of the Autumn term. The dates for this will be in the final two weeks of the term.

Staffing in the final half term

We say goodbye to Mrs Marshall who is moving onto a new career pathway, we wish her well with this journey, but look forward to seeing her back in school as she will return to us for supply cover. We are interviewing this week for a replacement teacher for September and the successful applicant will be with us the transition days. Mr Watson has been successful in securing the position of; Head of school at Skelton Primary Academy. We wish him well and look forward to his return visits and hearing about his new school. We will be employing a Senco to join our new Inclusion team for September, as this is an area of school that is increasing in need. This will enable us to extend the provision we put in place for our children with additional needs. We will be continuing the nurture programme into 2022 / 2023 as this has been a vital part of our school support system for enabling our children to regrow resilience post pandemic.

Thank you for your ongoing support. We will be driving progress through to the end of Term 3, working to reinstate 'normal' provision by the end of the year.

All Staff at Overdale School

