



Overdale C.P Primary School

February 2023– Newsletter 6 ‘Respect, Responsibility, Resilience’

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance for the last half term was 93.74% it has slightly improved from Term 1– keep it going up!

We received a visit from the North Yorkshire Authority to review our attendance practices and procedures.

The review had a successful outcome with the Advisor stating that the procedures were followed accurately by all staff, and the school prioritised attendance as an important factor that impacts on learning.

However, despite all that is being done, the school attendance is still below National attendance across the country.

Some children who are persistently absent were seen by the Advisor and they stated that they knew how important attending school every day is and only be absent when they were genuinely ill. **The advisor was surprised to hear from the children that they took a day off for their birthday and that their parents approved of this, she informed them that this was not acceptable and that the school had to report this as an unauthorised absence.**

Our updated attendance policy is on the school website for parents to view. The LA Attendance Officer will be in school on Thursday next week and direct the school to take legal action where attendance has fallen below expectations. Please understand that children whose attendance falls below 90% must now be passed to the Local Authority to manage. NYCC has directed all school who are below National scores for attendance to report this to the highest authority.

Holidays in term time

We will not be able to authorise holidays if 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 / welfare check.

Diary Dates



INSET DAYS

Monday 20th Feb
Monday 5th June
Monday 3rd July

World Book Day

2nd March

Red Nose Day

Fri 17th March

Parent

Consultations

Tues 21st March &
Wed 22nd March

BANK HOLIDAY

Monday 1st May
Monday 8th May

Y6 SAT's

Tues 9th May to Fri
12th May 2023

Y2 SATs

Monday 22nd May to
Thursday 15th June

**Full Term dates are
at the bottom of the
newsletter**



Dojo rewards

Our **Emerald** 'Glow in the Dark Disco' was a huge success with children and parents reporting that the session was a great event.

Our **Ruby** reward for Term 1 will be a second 'Glow in the Dark Disco' on Tues 7th March starting at 5.45pm and finishing at 7.15.

World Book Day 2 March 2023

We love to celebrate books and reading for pleasure everyday, but especially on World Book Day! (This year we will not be dressing up)

Each class will celebrate in their own individual way and we will have a special competition with prizes for the whole school. We invite every child to bring in a decorated rock from home with a book themed design - be as creative as you like

(Please Visit <https://www.pinterest.co.uk/pin/724094446315194615/> for some super ideas). The rocks will be judged and prizes for each Key Stage will be awarded. Once the week is over the rocks will be varnished and placed into the Overdale School Gardens to celebrate our love of books and reading. Please make sure that your child's name and class are written on the back of the rock.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Stewart



Red Nose Day

This is on **Fri 17th March** and we are giving children the opportunity to 'Wear something **bright/colourful** (or non-uniform)' for a £1 donation which can be made on Parent Pay and will go directly to the charity. We will not be selling red noses in school this year as, the rise in cost (£2.50 each) and their change in purchase arrangements are not viable for schools. You can purchase them on Amazon which is advised on the Comic Relief website. These can be worn in school on this day.

Saturdays in school.

We are considering offering some Saturday sessions in school for children to develop their emotional resilience. These sessions will focus on: working together, team building, problem solving, arts, IT, sports and drama. The sessions will be promoted by class teachers on Dojo's. They are presently in the very early stages of planning, but we will ensure all KS1 and KS2 have an opportunity to attend. The classes will open at 9am and close at 2.30pm, a packed lunch will be required and a £10 charge will be required for the day.

More details will follow.

Parents in school

The Year 6 children enjoyed having their parent visit the swimming pool to see them in their lesson. Thank you to all parents who made the journey, children and staff appreciated your presence. We hope to offer more events for parents to visit their child's classroom and see their children learning.

Parents of children receiving a Resilience certificate and trophy or a Respect certificate and trophy will be invited to attend our Friday morning **CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY**. Text messages will be sent out to parents by midday on Thurs to invite them to see their child receive their trophy and certificate and hear from their child's teacher – why they have been given the award.

The EYFS classes will be sending out invites to parents to attend a 20 minute maths class after school on Wednesdays for this half term. We hope to see lots of parents attending these sessions. We can provide some 1:1 sessions for parents alongside their child to support learning at home if requested directly by parents.



Parent Consultation meetings.

These will be on Tuesday 21st March and Wed 22nd March 3.20pm to 5.30pm, the booking system will open next week. A text will be sent out when the system is live for booking.

Individual Progress Maps (IPM)

Parents of children who have an IPM are required to attend a meeting about the learning support plan to share opportunities for school and home to work together to progress learning where it has fallen behind National expectations. These meetings will be requested directly by your child's class teacher before the end of term. These meetings are required to happen so the school is to meet the demands of the SEND code of practice.

Breakfast Club- Closure

Please note there is no breakfast club on Monday 17th April, apologies for any inconvenience.



Breakfast Club

This is now a popular provision and numbers vary daily which makes staffing a challenge. Please ensure you book your child's place through the school office email (office@overdale.n-yorks.sch.uk) by 1.00pm each Friday so that we staff the provision safely. We can only accept children into the provision who are booked and have paid for the session in advance: £3 per day and £1.50 for children who receive free school meals (pupil premium).

Lunchtimes

We are pleased that Trina Cornwall our cook has returned to the school kitchen fully recovered after her accident, so our school meal provision will be back to normal. We thank Mrs Overfield for her all her hard work during Mrs Cornwall's absence.



Sports Day

A provisional date for this event is **Wed 5th July**. Please be mindful that if the weather is not favourable, this date will move forward. A plan of the day's events will follow after Easter.



Miss Kirby

Will be leaving us at the end of this Term to rest in preparation for the birth of her baby.

Staffing provision for Year 2 will be sent directly to Year 2 parents in two weeks' time, we are presently trialling a number of options to ensure we have the very best provision for our Year 2 children.

Two year olds

We have applied to change the age range for the school from 3yrs to 11yrs to 2yrs to 11 yrs. This provision is now more likely to start in October 2023. We have gone out to consultation and we will keep you informed of the progress the consultation makes as we go forward.

School council

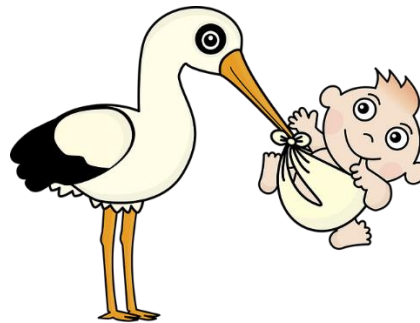
This group is now led by Mrs Broadbent and they are keen to have a more active role in school life. Please share the School Council Newsletter with your children - there are some jokes, some key dates and more than a few interesting facts!

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FAREWELL

Our Office Manager Mrs Taylor will be leaving us on Friday 17th March to start her new job working in recruitment. We will miss Caley, but wish her well in her new role.

We are not able to recruit a replacement for Mrs Taylor by the 17th March, so we ask for your patience throughout the final two weeks of the term as we interview candidates for the role with the hope of having a new Office Manager in place for after Easter.



Mr and Mrs Bean – Happy Retirement

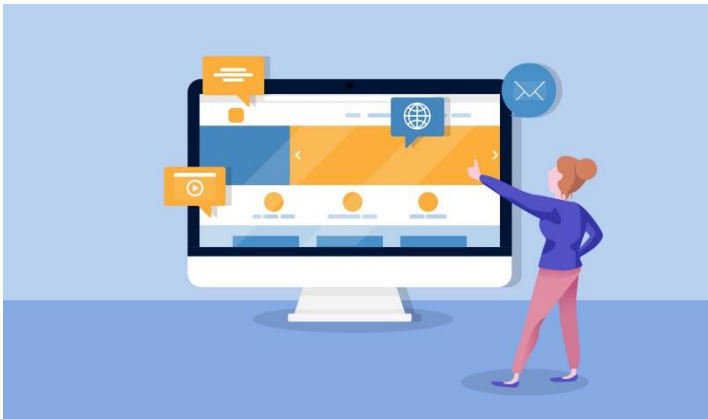
Mrs Bean and Mrs Bean retire from their service to Overdale at the end of term, we will miss them very much, but we wish them a happy and healthy retirement. We have appointed two new member of staff into the team and they will join us after the Easter holidays.

NEU Strike Action

Overdale school will be fully closed on **Tuesday 28th February 2023** due to the school not having qualified teachers to provide learning for our children.

Please know that the teachers / school has not taken the decision lightly and that we understand that this information will cause concern for some families. This has been a difficult decision for teachers as a second strike day but it is crucial that the Government FULLY fund school to pay their teachers appropriately.

Our school is very fortunate to have several classes with less than 30 children, learning support in every classroom and an invaluable pastoral team. We look for your support as the teachers take this action to protect their profession and ensure that our school is funded correctly to allow the high quality provision we have to be maintained.



Website

Please visit our website regularly as it has lots of up to date information about the school and all the Newsletters that have been sent out since Sept 2021. The correct website address to use is

<https://overdalecps.co.uk/w3/>

Thank you for your ongoing support. We very much look forward to a term 2 that builds on the successes of our Term 1 this year.

All Staff at Overdale School

HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2022 – 2024 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Academic Year 2022 – 2023

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of:	Closed at end of afternoon on:
Term 1.1	Monday 5th September 2022	Thursday 20th October 2022
Term 1.2	Monday 31st October 2022	Friday 16th December 2022
Term 2.1	Wednesday 4th January 2023	Friday 10th February 2023
Term 2.2	Tuesday 21st February 2023	Friday 31st March 2023
Term 3.1	Monday 17th April 2023	Friday 26th May 2023
Term 3.2	Tuesday 6th June 2023	Tuesday 25th July 2023

*** * * KS2 SATs week for 2023 - 9th May 2023 – 12th May 2023* ***

<u>Bank Holiday during term time</u>	<u>Teacher Training Days</u>
Monday 2 nd January 2023	Friday 21st October 2022
Monday 1 st May 2023	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Monday 8 th May 2023	Monday 20th February 2023
	Monday 5 th June 2023
	Monday 3rd July 2023

Academic Year 2023 - 2024

Term	Open to pupils on the morning of:	Closed at end of afternoon on:
Term 1.1	Tuesday 5th September 2023	Friday 27th October 2023
Term 1.2	Tuesday 7th November 2023	Friday 22nd December 2023
Term 2.1	Tuesday 9th January 2024	Friday 9th February 2024
Term 2.2	Monday 19th February 2024	Friday 22nd March 2024
Term 3.1	Tuesday 9th April 2024	Friday 24th May 2024
Term 3.2	Monday 3rd June 2024	Friday 19th July 2024

*** * * KS2 SATs week for 2024 –To be confirmed* * ***

<u>Bank Holiday during term time</u>	<u>Teacher Training Days</u>
Monday 6th May 2024	Monday 4th September 2023
	Monday 6th November 2023
	Monday 8th January 2024
	Monday 8 th April 2024
	Monday 22nd July 2024

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	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Monday	Pasta Parcels in a homemade tomato sauce, Cauliflower & Green Beans Homemade Garlic Bread or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Apple Crumble & Custard	Pizza Diced Potatoes Pease & Sweetcorn or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Krispie Cereal Bar	Farmhouse Mac & Cheese Garlic Bread Broccoli & Carrots Or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Jam Roly Poly & Custard
Tuesday	Crispy Chicken Bites Baked Baby Potatoes Peas & Sweetcorn Or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Orange Shortbread	Pasta Bolognese Cauliflower & Green Beans Garlic Bread or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Chocolate Orange Sponge & Custard	Cheeseburger Baked Potato Wedges Spring Coleslaw & Cucumber Sticks or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Banana Brownie
Wednesday	Roast Turkey & Stuffing Roast Potatoes, Medley of Vegetables, Homemade 50/50 bread & Gravy or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Artic Roll & Fruit	Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potato, Medley of Vegetables & Wholemeal Bread or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Cheese & Crackers	Minced Beef & Dumplings Baked Baby Potatoes Medley of Seasonal Vegetables Wholemeal Bread or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Marble Sponge & Custard
Thursday	Chilli Con Carne & Naan Bread 50/50 Rice & Broccoli & Carrots or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Cheese & Biscuit	Chicken Wrap Vegetable Rice Broccoli & Carrots or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Apple Flapjack	Chicken Korma & Rice Cauliflower & Green Beans Naan Bread or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Oatie Biscuit & Cheese
Friday	Fishwich Chips & Veggie sticks or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Chocolate Berry Mousse Cake	Fish Fingers & Chips Baked Beans & Peas Crusty Bread Or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Lemon Drizzle Muffin	Battered Fish Chips & Crusty Bread Peas & Sweetcorn or Cheese or Tuna Baked Jacket Potato ~~ Lemon & Sultana Iced Finger
Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt, Jacket Potatoes and a selection of sandwiches and salads available every day.			
	<i>Week 1</i> W/c Wednesday 4th January W/c Monday 23rd January W/c Tuesday 21st February W/c Monday 13th March	<i>Week 2</i> W/c Monday 9th January W/c Monday 30th January W/c Monday 27th February W/c Monday 20th March	<i>Week 3</i> W/c Monday 16th January W/c Monday 6th February W/c Monday 6th March W/c Monday 27th March

