

Newsletter

May 2024



Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors,

It has been another busy half term with lots going on. The children were very excited last week to have filled our whole school marble jar. When they spun the wheel, we landed on ice pops- we'll have these after half term when the weather (hopefully) warms up! I hope that you are having an enjoyable half term break and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 3rd June. **Mr Horton.**

Y6 SATs

Well done to all of our Year 6 children who took part in the statutory SATs tests. As a school, we try not to make this a daunting and high-pressure time of year but we know that pupils can sometimes worry about the process. The children all came with a very positive attitude and a smile each day. They are all a credit to the school and have worked incredibly hard over the last year. Year 6 received a visit from the ice-cream van to say well done!

New Arrivals

Both Miss Barrett and Mrs Saville have had their babies over the Easter break. There was much excitement when Mrs Barrett and her baby visited last week- it turned into a full day visit!

Miss Barrett welcomed baby Theo on 29/04/24. Mrs Saville welcomed baby Margot on 04/04/24. Many congratulations to both families.

Sporting Events

This half term, children across UKS2 have represented Oulton Primary at the Brownlee Triathlon and an Orienteering event. Children at the triathlon competed in 3 events: swimming, cycling and running. All children finished and were rewarded with a medal, a triathlon t-shirt, and a goody bag full of prizes. They did extremely well and did a good job representing our school's values.

At the Orienteering event, a team of four girls took part in a competition to collect 'targets' around Temple Newsam. They had a map to help direct them and they had to ensure they collected everything in the right order. Not only did they work well as a team, but they also finished in 1st place, earning a wristband in the process. They are also Leeds champions; well done, girls!

MindMate Support Team: Parent Session

Please join us for:



Parent/Carer workshop

Wednesday 2nd July 9am - 10:30am

Session focus - supporting your child with transition



Transitions can be a challenging time for children and young people. During this workshop the MindMate support team will explore:

- ways to promote wellbeing during times of change
- ways to support anxiety linked to transition / change
- strategies that can support your child (including appropriate resources)

Please register: <https://forms.gle/yy2tzZ12HbeoPZbA>



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School Trips

We have had a busy half term of trips and visits: Year 3/4 went on a walk to Woodlesford canal to support their learning about UK waterways. Year 1/2 also went on a local area walk into Woodlesford as part of their local area geography topic.

Year 5/6 have also visited Leeds City Museum over the last two weeks where they took part in an Egyptians workshop. Two of the classes travelled into Leeds by train but a train strike meant that one class had to travel by coach. The children who travelled by train were a credit to us as they sensibly walked to the train station and through the city centre- there looked to be many tired faces on their return to school!

Y1 Phonics Check and Y4 Multiplication Check

During June, there are statutory checks that both Y1 children and Y4 children need to complete. Y1 pupils undertake their Phonic Screening Check between the 10th and 14th June. Any Y2 pupils who did not pass the check last year will also be reassessed.

Over the first two weeks of the half term, Y4 pupils will complete their multiplication checks.

As with all of the statutory checks that the school has to administer, we try to ensure that these are completed in a low-pressure way and that they are not built up into something the children worry about. The results of both checks will be reported alongside your child's end of year report.

INSET Day

A reminder that the school is closed to pupils on Friday 21st June for our final INSET day of the school year.

Upcoming Events

3 rd June	School Opens
10 th - 14 th June	KS1 Phonic Checks (Statutory)
3 rd -14 th June	Y4 Times Tables Checks (Statutory)
21st June	School Closed - Training Day #5
24 th June	KS1 - Sports Day: PM (Exact time TBC)
25 th June	Lower KS2 - Sports Day: PM (Exact time TBC)
26 th June	Upper KS2 - Sports Day: PM (Exact time TBC)
27 th June	Nursery and Reception (EYFS)- Sports Day: PM (Exact time TBC)
1 st July	KS1 - Parents Transition Meeting (3.30pm)
2 nd July	Lower KS2 - Parents Transition Meeting (3.30pm)
3 rd July	EYFS - Parent Transition Meeting
4 th July	Upper KS2 - Parent Transition Meeting (3.30pm)

