

Otley Primary School

22nd March 2019

NEWSLETTER

Mr Benstock's Section

This week we have seen a number of exciting events taking place and I have been very impressed with how the children have responded, showing great effort in all they do.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the e-safety day. It was a great success with children and adults learning so much.

Please remember to come and see me in school or on the playground if you have anything to discuss. I will be arranging another parent coffee morning soon.

I would like to thank Holmes Construction for the top soil they donated, also thanks to Christine Gilbert for the strawberry plants, both of which are for our new Gardening area.

Have a good weekend.

Class 1 News

In maths this week we have been measuring using cubes, with children measuring different things to see which is the longest and the shortest, and recording their work clearly in a table.

In PE we have been carrying on with our dance for this term, Mrs Liddell and I have been very impressed with how hard children have worked on learning the tricky moves.

Miss Hayton

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Thank you to all the children for their fantastic dancing skills on Friday. We have already started counting the sponsorship money and we have raised a fantastic total of £819.47. With still a few sponsors left to come in. This is amazing!

Special mention to Phoebe Few who raised £84!

Well Done to everyone!



Daily Mile

The children enjoyed their French day on Friday. Their next location to visit is Italy, which is 1,154 miles from Otley Primary School.



DIARY DATES

March

Thursday 28th – Mother's Day Lunch - 12pm arrival

April

Monday 1st - Band Academy Performance for parents at 3.50pm

Tuesday 2nd -Parents Evening -Slots are open

Friday 5th - Last Day

Easter Holidays

23rd April - PD Day - Staff Only

24th April -Children return to school

26th April - Hollowford Trip - Final Payment date

May

13th - 17th - SATS Week (KS2)



June

5th - 6th - Bikeability for Year 6 children

13th - Father's Day Lunch - details to follow



Parking Notice

Please be considerate when parking in the coach park next to the school. This space is leased by different coach companies and it is important that they have access to their site at all times. If you are parking on this site, please park as close to the school railings as possible.

Attendance

Class 1: 98.2%

Class 2: 98.0%

Class 3: 97.9%

Overall for the school remains high

Please ensure if your child is poorly you advise the school office on the day of absence by 9.15am (close of register)

FROM THE OFFICE

All monies paid into the school should be paid online (meal payments only) or sent in via a clearly named envelope.

Safeguarding update: Please could all parents visiting the school ensure they sign in at the school office. You will have a visitors badge given to you, even though we know who you are, this will give us a clear record of who is in school at any one time and also assist us in the case of an emergency.

Have a lovely weekend.

Thank you!

Class 2 News

Class 2 have been learning about Caligrams, which are also known as Shape Poems. They have been using powerful adjectives and trying to use similes to describe the wonders of the season of Spring. In Maths, Year 2 have been learning about calculation strategies, and year 3 have been practicing time. All class 2's homework is being set by Mr. Williams for the remainder of the term.

After School Clubs

There are many clubs throughout this half-term. Letters will be emailed home to you, if your child would like to attend please give consent via email.

Monday – Band Academy (pre-booked places only)

Wednesday – Choir, Gardening, Year 6 SATs

Thursday – Robo, Year 2 SATs

We must have permission slips before children attend clubs - Please see Mrs Nichols in the office for any further information.

PTA News

We have funded lots of new things for our children in school such as school hall chairs and chair holder; a recycling bin; bird seed for the bird feeding area; the Chocolate Workshop; A new series of Book-life Books and a Lunch box Trolley. All of which would not be possible if it wasn't for everyone's continued help and support and we would like to say **'Thank you'** for this.

Our next big fundraiser is 'Camel Racing' it would be brilliant to see as many faces at this event as possible, we need to boost our funds to keep buying essential equipment for our children at Otley Primary School. So, see you on 11th May at Otley Village Hall for some family fun (bar all set!)

Class 3 News

The children have thoroughly enjoyed writing persuasive letters explaining their viewpoint on whether teachers should set homework and if we should celebrate children's birthdays with cake.

They have used the correct layout and have included factual information to support their argument alongside strong emotive vocabulary. I have been very impressed with the letters they have produced.

Mrs Baker-Daniels



Well Done Freddy and Finley for earning privileges.

Swimming News



Throughout this term Classes 2 and 3 have attending Fore Street

swimming pool as part of their PE lessons.

Throughout this term, they have worked on different levels and many children have achieved lots of awards. They will be presented with their certificates next term once they arrive into school. I am also pleased to report that 100% of children leaving primary school can swim the required 25 meters – this is a great achievement with many swimming much further.

Kitchen Information

Nut Free Please check products that are bought into school. We have children with nut allergies and we must not have nut products in school. It is always worth checking the ingredients, particularly on cereal bars.

Changes to the menu – If there are any changes for the school menu; they are always put onto the school website.