



Osmotherley Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers

Well, we definitely spoke too soon. It was finally Osmotherley Schools turn to be disrupted by a Covid outbreak after being so fortunate to avoid it for so long! Thank you for your patience and understanding when I had to close the whole school on Monday 24th and the Oaks class on Tuesday 25th. I am very pleased that we were able to open fully by Wednesday, despite the positive cases among the staff. Thank you also for keeping an eye on your children and testing them or keeping them at home when they were displaying symptoms. I really appreciate your help. Hopefully, everyone will be back by next week and we can get back to our usual routines. The children are looking forward to the upcoming coding events that have been arranged for both classes. The first event is on Thursday afternoon next week. I'm sure the children will enjoy being taught by a computing expert and the plans looks very exciting. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our planned visit to the 'Supermobile' library last week. It was a real shame because the children loved the visit in December and were keen to swap their books. I informed the library service and they told me that the books can be returned at any time and they don't issue fines! The Supermobile will call at Osmotherley again between 10am and 12pm on Thursday 24th February. This is during half term, but the children are welcome to go with their families. The children will visit again in March.

The Spring term parent consultations are scheduled for Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th February (appointment times will be sent out shortly). The consultations will take place over the phone but the teachers will arrange for you to see your children's books.

Our end of term celebration assembly will take place as planned on Friday 18th February. I will let you know nearer the time whether we can hold it in school or whether it will need to be online.

From next half term, the KS2 children will have Forest School sessions every three weeks instead of fortnightly. This decision has been taken to ensure that there is enough time to focus on areas of the science curriculum that cannot easily be covered outdoors (e.g. electricity). The Reception and KS1 children will continue to have Forest School sessions on alternate weeks.

Finally, this half term, we were delighted to welcome two children into our school family. Otilie and Ralph have settled in beautifully in their new classes and have both made a super start.

Best wishes

Miss Bamber



Sadly, the small school cluster sports events had to be cancelled this half term due to the high number of Covid cases, but events are due to resume after half term. In PE, the Oaks have been practising netball skills and the Acorns have been learning how to send and strike balls in

DATES FOR DIARIES

Coding Events Acorns 1-2pm Oaks 2-3.30pm	Thursday pm 10th & 17th Feb 3rd March
Parent Consultations	Mon 14th & Tues 15th Feb
Celebration Assembly	Friday 18th Feb 9am
Break Up for Half Term	Friday 18th Feb
Return to School	Monday 28th Feb
KS1 Phonics update for parents and carers	Wednesday 2nd March
World Book Day	Thursday 3rd March
Forest School Acorns	Thursday 10th & 24th March 7th April
Forest School Oaks	Wednesday 16th March 6th April
Parent Lunch	Thursday 17th March
Red Nose Day	Friday 18th March
Open morning Acorns	Thurs 31st March
Open morning Oaks/Saplings	Friday 1st April



Thank you...
to the Howlett family for our wonderful new story time area -complete with story-teller's chair!

Thank you... also to the Friends of School for their assistance with the purchase of musical instruments, books and art materials this half term.



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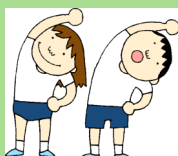
After-School Clubs

Dance and Gymnastics Club

Tuesdays

3.30-5pm

See flyer from
SCSS for further
details.



After-School Yoga

Thursdays from 3.30-4.30pm.



Mixed Sports Club

Fridays 3.30—5pm



JUNIOR FILM CLUB

THE NEXT FILM IS ON

20th May

Payments to School

ParentPay Polite Request

Please make all payments to school using ParentPay if at all possible. Please contact the school office if you require any further information, help or advice. Thank you.

admin@osmotherley.n-yorks.sch.uk

Morning Mile

Every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from next week!

8.25 am—8.55 am

All Y1 - Y6 pupils and parents are welcome to join us for a run before school (FS children can join in too if they are accompanied by an adult).

Please arrive at 8.20am. Children can wear joggers or leggings with their school tops all day but they will need a change of shoes .



After School Minecraft Club



Minecraft Club continues on **Monday** from 3.30—4.30pm. School iPads are provided but children are also welcome to bring their own devices, which can be stored in the school office during the day. If your child would like to join, the information is on the school website.

If your child is absent, please telephone or email School before 9.15am to let us know.

01609 883329

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Please don't forget to inform school of any changes to your emergency contact details .

WATER BOTTLES AND BOOKS

We have had a couple of incidents of water bottles leaking in school bags. Please could full water bottles be carried separately to avoid damaging reading books and Chrome books.

Thank you.