



Osmotherley Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

We were deeply saddened by the news of the death of Her Majesty the Queen. As a school, we send our thoughts and condolences to the Royal Family at this time. During the period of national mourning, we will be reflecting on the Queen's reign and commemorating her incredible life of service through special assemblies in school. The Queen's funeral will be held on Monday 19th September, which will be an additional bank holiday so school will be closed.

New Academic Year 2022-23

After the long holiday, it is always a treat to see the children again on the first day back at school. It is also lovely to welcome the new children in Reception. So far, they are settling in beautifully. Thank you to the Acorns team for helping them to get off to such a good start.

The children in the Saplings and Oaks classes have stayed with the same teachers so they have been able to make a flying start with their learning.

Reading

Thank you to all the parents who supported their children with their reading, spelling and times tables recall over the holidays. This year we will strive to instil a love of reading in all of our pupils, as research has shown that a love of reading is the strongest indicator of future educational success. We appreciate your support with this aim.

Learning - Core and Foundation Subjects

The teachers will share the essential knowledge that pupils are expected to learn in all the foundation subjects. The children are developing a good understanding of the importance of deliberately practising skills until they are fluent and in recalling knowledge in quizzes (or recalls) to help them to remember. Learning is defined by an alteration to long-term memory so our curriculum is designed to help children to learn in small steps that build and make connections with previous learning. If you would like further detail about our curriculum, please see the curriculum pages on the school website (<http://osmotherley.n-yorks.sch.uk/curriculum>)

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance and punctuality have a huge impact on your child's learning. Children who frequently miss days of school or who arrive late, miss steps in their learning which have to be caught up. Learning moves at a pace, right from Reception, so it is important to ensure that children attend if at all possible (although they should not attend if they are too unwell, e.g. they have a high temperature or if they have had sickness or diarrhoea within the last 48 hours). Term-time holidays are not authorised, except in exceptional circumstances, for the reasons outlined above and the DFE plan to issue fines rather than leaving this to the discretion of headteachers.

Online Safety

The pupils from Y2 to Y6 are developing excellent computer literacy by having the use of their own chrome book. At school, they are closely supervised when they are online and the school has installed the highest safety settings and internet safety is an important part of the computing and the PSHE curriculum. At home, parents and carers need to be equally vigilant. We can never be too careful. Some useful links to support families in keeping their children safe online can be found on the e-safety page (bottom of the home page) on the school website <http://osmotherley.n-yorks.sch.uk/useful-links/e-safety/>.

We all hope that 2022-23 will be a happy and successful year for everyone at school. The teachers and support staff in our 'Small School, Big Family' are 100% committed to supporting every child to achieve their potential and to become kind, resilient and well-rounded citizens. At times, things don't go as smoothly as planned and there can be difficulties, but rest assured, if you have any questions or concerns, either phone or come in and talk to us and we will do our best to help, reassure and address any problems. Best wishes, Miss Bamber

DATES FOR DIARIES

Her Majesty's Funeral (Bank Holiday)	Mon 19th Sept
Parent Lunch	Mon 3rd Oct
Mobile Library	Thurs 6th Oct
Acorns Open Morning	Thurs 13th
Oaks Open Morning	Fri 14th Oct
Parent Consultations	Mon 17th & Tues 18th Oct
Celebration Assembly	Fri 21st Oct 9am
Break up for Half Term	Fri 21st Oct
Autumn 2 Back to School	Mon 31st Oct



Sports News

Our pupils in Y1 and Y2 made their teachers very proud this week when they took part in the Small Schools Cluster Fun Run. The children all ran three long distance races and showed determination and resilience, returning to school with three medals for Osmotherley. Well done to Frederick and Ralph for being super-speedy and well done to everyone for having a go, behaving brilliantly and enjoying yourselves. Great job, Acorns!



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After-School Clubs



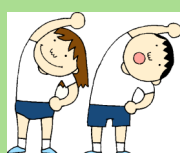
Multi sports Club Wednesdays

3.30-4.30pm

See flyer from
SCSS for further
details.



For Breakfast Club, After-school Club and
Holiday Club bookings—contact Gill at
Osmotherley Pre-school on 01609 883168



After-School Yoga

Thursdays from 3.30-4.30pm.

(possibly after half term depending on numbers)

Morning Mile

Every Monday, Wednesday and
Thursday from next week!

8.25 am—8.55 am

All Y1 - Y6 pupils and parents are wel-
come 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 .



New



Fridays 3.30-4.30pm

After School Minecraft Club



Minecraft Club continues on **Mondays** 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.



JUNIOR FILM CLUB

THE NEXT FILM IS ON

23rd September

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

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

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admin@osmotherley.n-yorks.sch.uk

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