

# News from Oakridge CP School



## Nurturing School

Our focus principle of nurture this week is:

### **The classroom is a safe base.**

Children spend a large proportion of their childhood in the classroom so it is vital that it offers them a feeling of safety along with the routine that children crave.



Our classrooms all contain a visual timetable so that children are aware of what is happening through the day.



The children have enjoyed decorating their class "worry boxes" where they can share their worries with their teacher.

Children have access to a wide range of sensory toys to help them regulate their emotions.

## Sporting Events

Dolphin class proudly represented the school at a cross country tournament on Wednesday. We're so proud of all the children who were brave enough to have a go but a special mention must go to Isabella who finished 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 78 runners!



On Tuesday, our football team braved the blizzards and performed admirably at the Straws Cup. Unbeaten and without conceding a single goal, our unwavering team finished the group as runners up to stay in the main competition and face local rivals Lythe in the quarter finals.

I'm sure neutral supporters would agree that Oakridge dominated the game and were hugely unfortunate to not put the ball in the back of the net. The game rolled on and on into extra time with Oakridge coming closer and closer until, with one clinical move, Lythe took the glory.

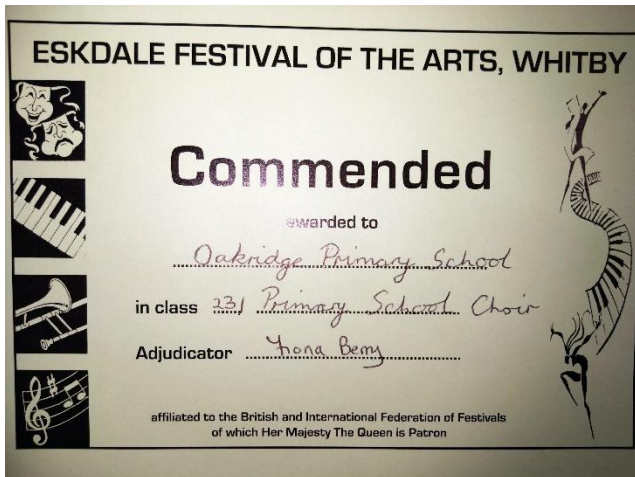
We are immeasurably proud of these children who have come so far with such limited coaching and demonstrate real fighting spirit while showing great grace in defeat.

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## Eskdale festival

Dolphin class *reached for the stars* by performing at the Eskdale Festival this week in a number of singing classes.



The children's hard work and talent shone through.

## Height and weight

As part of the National Measurement Programme, children in Reception and Year 6 are having their heights and weights measured on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March by trained health care providers.

## Parents' meetings

Positive links between home and school help children feel good about school and be successful.

If you haven't already, please book a parents' meeting with your child's class teacher through the My Child At School app.

These brief meetings will give you a chance to find out about your child's progress, their next steps and how you can support them at home.

Should you require a longer meeting with your child's teacher, please contact the school office.

## Year 6 SATS meeting

For parents of children in year 6, we are holding a virtual SATS meeting to tell you everything you need to know about the upcoming SATS.

This will be at 6pm on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March. You will receive an email with the link nearer the time.

## World Book Day



Thank you to all who joined us for World Book Day. We are always looking for volunteers to support with listening to children read in school. If you are interested, please contact the school office.

## Celebration!

Please join us at 2.50pm today to celebrate our superstars:

Stars – Amelia, Lila, Dexter and Ethan  
Specials – Dillan, Harvey, Jennifer and Alexander.

Mr Russell's BfL award – Isabelle

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## Easter Lunch



To celebrate Easter, Mrs Bell will be cooking a special Easter dinner on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like your child to have a school meal specially for the day, please let the office know ideally by Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>.

## Dates for the Diary

- Tue 21<sup>st</sup> March – PTFA Bingo 4.45pm
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup> March – Inset day – SCHOOL CLOSED
- Tue 28<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Service at St Hilda's 9.30am
- Wed 29<sup>th</sup> March – KS2 Maths Circus
- Thu 30<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Lunch
- Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March – Last day of Spring Term
- Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April – First day of Summer Term

## The Oakridge Orchard

Apple crumble anyone? We were so fortunate to receive four apple trees from The Conservation Volunteers *From the Ground Up* initiative.

The children in Seahorse Class and those who attend gardening club loved planting them with Mr Everson.

