

News from Oakridge CP School



Thursday 18th January 2024

We've had a lovely first two weeks back at school with lots of wonderful learning going on. I've been so grateful to our team of support staff who make our school run like clockwork despite a number of different teachers in school. Their energy is astounding; many of the upcoming events this term are due to their enthusiasm and commitment to providing a range of learning experiences.

Meet Our School Council



They are very motivated to get all of the children's voices heard and share some great ideas.

By listening to the voices of **all** children in the school they will:

Change our world for the better

Change our community for the better

Change our school for the better

You can find minutes from their last meeting here: <https://oakridge.n-yorks.sch.uk/for-pupils/school-council/>

EYFS



Children in EYFS love sensory exploration in their rainbow coloured rice.



In our small world area we have been making farms in preparation for our trip to the farm.

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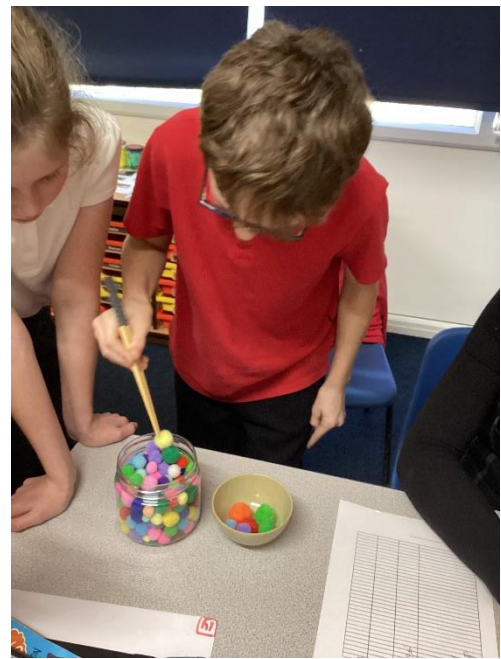
Dolphin Class

We are reading: Clockwork by Philip Pullman

Ask us about: Henry VIII's wives



Dolphin class welcomed Mrs Kevan (a governor from another school in our trust) to talk to them about Japan. She was really impressed with their prior knowledge.



The children enjoyed a range of activities including using chopsticks.



EYFS were very excited to discover multi-coloured snow marbles in their outdoor area.

Seahorse Class

We are reading: Cops and Robber by Alan Ahlberg

Ask us about: Newspapers

There have been rumours of a break-in in Seahorse Class over the weekend. The children are in the process of writing newspapers to share this dreadful news which will be published soon.



They have been learning a West African call and response song in music lessons.

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They played a traditional Japanese game and made an origami dog too.

Afterschool Clubs

Tuesday – Y6 homework club

Wednesday – KS2 sewing club

Thursday – Sports club

Community Library

We want our children to love reading and books. Having positive reading role-models will encourage them to read more themselves.

In the foyer of the school we have a selection of books for adults kindly donated by the National Literacy Trust.

Please have a browse, take a book and, when you're finished, bring it back to swap with another book.

Breakfast Club

Lots of exciting things have been happening at breakfast club.



The children made their very own *squishy* toys.



They also decorated biscuits to take home.

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Attendance

Good attendance is linked to success in all aspects of school life.

This week, our attendance has been

95.5%

This is below our target of 96%.

Celebration Assembly

Please join us tomorrow at 3.10pm to celebrate all of the fantastic work the children have been doing and these children who have excelled over the past two weeks:

Stars of the Week:

Isabelle and Elizabeth

Special Award:

Harvey and Florence

Mr Russell's Behaviour for Learning Award:

Peter

Dates for the Diary

Fri 19th January – Key Steps 1 Gymnastics – a Team of 5 will be selected from Year 1 and 2 for this event

Thurs 25th January – online NSPCC online safety workshop for parents (details on clasdojo)

Fri 26th January – Key Steps 2 Gymnastics – A Team of 5 will be selected from Years 3 and 4 for this event

Wed 31st January – KS1 farm visit

Thurs 1st February – KS2 farm visit

Mon 12th Feb - Fri 16th Feb – Half Term

Fri 23rd February Hockey Coaching Year 3 and 4

Fri 1st March- Primary Cross Country

Thurs 7th March – Quick sticks Hockey Tournament Year 3 and 4

Mon 11th March – Straws Cup Football Tournament at 4pm (parents can attend and support)

Fri 15th March – Staff Training Day

Fri 22nd March – Last Day of Spring Term

Mon 8th April – First Day of Summer Term

Mon 6th May – Bank Holiday

Mon 27th May-Fri 31st May – Half Term

Fri 12th July – Staff Training Day

Mon 22nd July Last Day of Summer Term