



Key Dates

- **School Closes 15.2.19**
- **Year 6 After School Boosters**
Monday & Thursday
3:05pm – 4:15pm
- **Half Term Holidays**
18th February - 22nd February
- **School Opens Spring 2**
25.2.18
- **School Closes For Easter**
5.4.19
- **Easter Holidays**
8th April – 22nd April

Welcome

On behalf of everyone at Oyster Park Primary Academy, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year and a warm welcome back to school. There are many exciting things planned for 2019 so please be sure to check our School Website and Facebook Page for regular updates.



Club 100 Celebration

On the afternoon of Friday 11th January, the children who achieved 100% attendance for the autumn term, and became the first members of Club 100, enjoyed visiting the theatre at Airedale Academy to watch a film. We were joined by the children from Airedale Junior School and Airedale Infant school who had also achieved 100% attendance for the autumn term. The children had a wonderful time and were a credit to the school. Club 100 has started again for the spring term, children who achieve 100% attendance this term will become members of Club 100 and enjoy a reward to celebrate.



Increase in School Dinner & Breakfast Club Prices

Just a polite reminder that the cost of school meals has now increased to £2.10 per day. In addition, our Breakfast club provision has increased to £2.05.



Free School Meal Entitlement

Due to the recent changes in Tax Credit Benefits, more parents may be eligible for Free School Meals. If you feel that you may have been affected by these changes, please call into the School Office to collect a form.

Year 6 Boosters

On Monday 21st January, all children in Year 6 are invited to attend the free after school booster sessions led by Miss King and Miss Bennett. These will be twice weekly after school on a Monday and Thursday until 4:15pm up until SATs week in May. Monday's session will be focussed on supporting on Mathematical aspects of the curriculum and Thursday will be English focused predominately Reading. A parent's information session was held last week, which emphasised the importance of these sessions and the benefit all children would receive from attending them.



Winter PE Kit

As the winter weather has well and truly set in please can you ensure that your child is suitably equipped with PE kit for both indoors and outdoors PE sessions. Outdoor PE kit black jogging bottoms, black tracksuit top and trainers or black pumps. Please ensure that all items are clearly named.

Anti-Social Behaviour Workshops

Last Tuesday morning children in Year 4, 5 and 6 took part in anti-social behaviour workshops delivered jointly by Wakefield District Housing (WDH) and the local police team. The workshops focused on raising the children's understanding of the different forms of anti-social behaviour, the possible consequences of committing anti-social behaviour and encouraged the children to reflect on how the victims of these behaviours feel. We will be sharing the presentation from these workshops on the school website.

TACKLING ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Social Skills Theme:

Last week our assembly theme has been about being a good friend; we discussed the qualities of a good friend. Some of our suggestions were that good friends should be kind, caring, trustworthy, faithful, reliable and honest. During our reflection, we thought about how we behave and if we are all good friends.



Baby Bear Pilot Scheme

During Thursday morning's assembly, we had visitors from Wakefield Council, PC Shand and PCSO Alison who all work in our local area. Our school has been selected to be a part of a pilot scheme, which is aimed at giving children from Nursery to Year 3 another option of who they can speak to if they are worried about anything at all and feel that they have nobody to speak to. The children were introduced to the bear in assembly, who is called 'Baby Bear'. The bear will always be dressed up in his very own police uniform, this is so the children know he is safe to speak to. Then, the children listened to the story, 'How are you feeling today Baby Bear?' Our visitors also discussed with the children the safe people who they already know that they can speak to if they are worried about anything. For example, a family member, their teachers, doctors etc. Then, they were told how if they were worried about anything and didn't feel like they could tell anyone, they could talk to Baby Bear.

