



NEWSLETTER

Outwood Primary Academy Alne

DATE: February 2024

Dear Parents,

We are welcoming two new members of staff to complete the team this half-term. Mrs Baron is joining Mrs King in the office as an administrator, you will recognise her as Charlie's mum from Reception. Mrs Garner is joining the support staff team, working in Year 3/4 with Mrs Harpin, you may know her as a previous parent to a child now at Easingwold.

We started this half term with the fantastic Young Voices concert at Sheffield Arena. It was a treat for all who performed as we were right behind the stage this year. Those of you who were able to come to the concert have given amazing feedback about the experience, thank you.

Miss Dawson



Community News

St Mary's Church will be celebrating Mother's Day with a family service on Sunday, 10th March at 10.30am. Everyone is warmly welcomed and they hope to see you there.



Safeguarding information for parents

North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NYSCP) have developed a range of resources to support parents and carers in understanding online safety including resources around:

- [Online Safety Advice for Parents](#)
- [Games, consoles and smart devices: How to keep your children safe](#)
- [Reporting online images of my child](#)
- [Be Aware of child exploitation in North Yorkshire](#)

These links are also on the school website's [Useful Links page](#).

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Enrichment Clubs Spring 2

- Book direct with [York City Football](#) for Friday, places are limited.
- Children don't need to book in for lunchtime clubs.

	Lunchtime	After School until 4.15pm unless stated
Monday		
Tuesday	KS2 Guitars and Violins with Mrs Lynch	Year 6 SATs with Miss Mullery
	KS2 Dance with Mrs Copeland	
Wednesday	KS1 Well-being with Mrs Teale	
Thursday	Y1/2/3 Boys football with Mr Montgomery	Year 6 SATs with Mrs Wood
	Ensemble with Mrs Harpin	
Friday	KS2 Well-being with Mrs Teale	Football with York City Football

If arrangements for children attending the club change please can you contact the office to let us know on 01347 838427. Please understand that emails are not always seen if sent late in the day. If children are taken home instead of attending an afterschool club please can you let the classteacher know in person on the day.

Nuts

We're a nut free school due to children with allergies. Please can parents remember not to send nuts in any form into school in packed lunches or as snacks. This includes foods such as Nutella or chocolate spread. There can also be sensitivity to items containing nuts including hand creams or lip balms. **These items should not be in school unless prescribed.**

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Additional support in school

Following Covid, schools have additional funding to support children's missed learning. We use this to support interventions in school and purchase resources. This term we are also able to run tutoring sessions with Armin, the York City coach and Mariam, from M2R, who tutors children virtually.

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Attendance

We are always looking for ways to support children and find out from them if there are any barriers to them coming to school. When children return to school after an absence we might ask questions to find out if they have any worries, what we can do to help them and how they're feeling. Mrs King and Mrs Porter are both available to support families with attendance, please let them know if you would like a meeting.

	September 2023	October 2023	November 2023	December 2023	January 2024	Year to date
Reception	98.5	99.8	99.8	93.2	97.5	96.6
Y1/2	98.2	97.4	96.7	93.0	96.0	94.9
Y3/4	98.4	97.6	97.0	92.6	97.2	96.7
Y5/6	97.9	99.8	98.9	95.6	98.4	97.2
Whole school	98.2	97.91	97.9	93.7	97.3	96.4

All attendances are in % **above 98%** below 96%

Parking

Please can we ask parents to drive carefully when dropping off and collecting children, in particular avoiding reversing into the school drive. Parking is difficult outside school and we would ask that you don't obstruct the driveways of our neighbours.



2024-2025 Term Dates

The term dates for 23/24 and 24/25 have now been confirmed and are listed on the [school website](#).

There is one training day yet to be confirmed for 24/25.

Questions & Queries

Please contact school on the admin email address; enquires@alne.outwood.com or by phone 01347 838427

Music Lessons

We now have teachers in school for

- Woodwind; flute, clarinet and fife
- Keyboard
- Brass; trombone, trumpet and cornet
- Piano

Please click below to find out more about school music lessons and book direct;

[Music in Schools York \(brass and woodwind\)](#)
[NYCC School Music Service \(keyboard and strings\)](#)
enquiries@alne.outwood.com (piano)

Governing Body

Our school governors are;

- Sarah Rorke CHAIR (parent of Martha)
- Dave Rogers (parent of Emilia and Theo)
- Helen Jones (parent of Molly and Ted)
- Roharna Vitty (parent of Isla and Quinn)
- Sue Brown (Community governor)
- Alison Mitchell (Community governor)
- Jennie King (staff)
- Charis Mullery (staff)

If you, or someone you know in our community is interested in becoming a governor please get in touch.

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Diary Dates

12 th February to 16 th February	Spring Half-term
28 th February	Whole school trip to Leeds; Gurdwara, Tropical World and Phoenix Dance
28 th and 29 th February	Parents evenings
7 th March	World Book Day – dress up as your favourite character from a book
8 th March	Science Fair final at Outwood Academy Redcar – invitation only
14 th March	Student Voice Conference – invitation only
15 th March	Sport Relief – come in PE kit We are raising money for Helping Hands Nepal 2pm Team Cross Country event at Alne playing field
15 th March	FOAS cake stall
22 nd March	Decorated egg competition – more details to follow
22 nd March, 2pm	Easter Assembly at Church
22 nd March	FOAS Break the Rules Day and Bingo night
25 th March to 5 th April	Easter Holiday
10 th to 15 th April	Bikeability Year 5 – details and groups to follow
23 rd April	Cricket coaching day
25 th April	Y6 Mountain Biking day at Sutton Bank
26 th April	Forest School starts Y1/2 and Y3/4 (3 weeks)
26 th April	NSPCC workshops Y2 and Y5/6
6 th May	May Day Bank Holiday
13 th to 16 th May	Year 6 SATs week
17 th May	Forest School morning for Reception
17 th May	Forest School starts for Y5/6 (2 weeks)
27 th May to 31 st May	Summer Half-term
3 rd June	Training Day
19 th to 21 st June	Y6 Residential to Great Tower
22 nd July to 2 nd September	Summer Holiday (last day of term 19 th July)

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