

# Weekly Newsletter 17th July 2023



**Right of the Fortnight: Article 3**  
**All adults should do**  
**what is best for you.**



**Dear Parents/Carers,**

**Thank you** to everybody who has taken the time to feedback their comments from end of year reports, this is greatly appreciated. Last Tuesday, your child spent a morning with their new teacher and received a slip by hand explaining their new **teaching team, start and finish times** and collection and drop off points. Looking forward to next year, we can confirm the **staffing arrangements** in this table. We **welcome** back Mrs Thompson as a temporary Teaching Assistant covering Miss Owen's maternity leave. **Congratulations** to Miss Dixon who will be joining our teaching team. Mrs Farnaby will be a non-teaching SENCO for two days from September. We say Goodbye to temporary teacher Mrs Largan and wish her well for the future.

CLASS	CLASS TEACHER/ROOM LEAD	TEACHING ASSISTANT
LITTLE SYCAMORES	Miss Sharon Willmott	
NURSERY (Early Years Unit)	Mrs Fiona Guest	Miss Charleigh Grainger
RECEPTION	Miss Chloe Dixon (0.8) & Mrs Helen Rowe (0.2)	Mrs Lindsey Wardle
YEAR 1B	Mrs Melissa Brown	Miss Carmen Slevin
YEAR 2D	Mrs Stacey Durham	Mrs Kelly Hunter
YEAR 3H	Mr Michael Horkan & Mr Andrew Brown (am)	Mrs Anne Pullinger
YEAR 4R	Miss Georgina Robinson	Mrs Nathalie McCartie
YEAR 4S	Miss Hannah Smith	Miss Lucy Anderson
YEAR 5SW	Mrs Caroline Smith (0.4) & Mrs Kelly Wilson (0.6)	Mrs Emily Thompson
YEAR 6B	Miss Lauren Bestwick	Mrs Clare Jackson
YEAR 6M	Mr Stephen McConnell	Mrs Sharon Robson

## Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who came along to support our **KS1 sports day** event. The children had a wonderful time **competing** in the traditional sports day events organised by Mrs Brown. Your support at both **raffles** has raised £200. **Thank you** for your generosity.

I would also like to thank all parents and carers for their amazing support throughout the year. Many thanks for your good wishes and very kind cards and gifts that we've received already. All the staff join with me in wishing you a **safe summer break**, hopefully with the return of some sunshine!

We look forward to welcoming **all Little Sycamores** to **Nursery** and **Y1 to Y6** back on **Wednesday, 6th September 2023** and the **new reception cohort on their allocated return date.**

Very best wishes

Mrs E Bramley & Mrs S Osborne

## End of KS2 SATS Data Headlines – Oakdene Primary Academy



Y6 Results 2023 (EXS +)	Summary	% of Oakdene pupils	% of pupils nationally	Difference between Oakdene & National
Reading		77%	73%	+4%
Writing		93%	71%	+18%
Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling		85%	72%	+15%
Maths		93%	73%	+20%
Science		97%	79%	+18%
Combined RWM		77%	59%	+18%

Y6 Results 2023 (GDS)	Summary	% of Oakdene pupils	% of pupils nationally	Difference between Oak- dene & Na- tional
Reading		30%	27%	+3%
Writing		31%	12%	+18%
GPS		31%	12%	+18%
Maths		35%	22%	+13%
Science		N/A no higher	standard for	science
Combined RWM		16%	7%	+13%

### Year 6 SATS Results

We are extremely proud of our Year 6 children who completed their SATS tests in May. Last week, the results were released and we are delighted to report that our **standards remain well above national figures** and Trust averages. A **HUGE** well done to our children and staff.

These results are already phenomenal. We will be making appeals on some reading and grammar, punctuation & spelling papers. No national comparisons have been issued for the higher standard for 2023 yet. We've therefore used national averages for 2022 to compare our greater depth performance. **This is outstanding progress at both expected and the higher standard.** We look forward to welcoming the parents and carers of Y6 pupils to see their children shine in the **Y6 Performance** this week.

Mrs Osborne and I spent two productive days on a Trust leadership residential in Leeds last week. The time was spent **reflecting** on the multiple successes of the year, **identifying next steps** and **planning** for the year ahead.

We were asked by fellow leaders across the Hubs from the North East, Manchester and North East Lincolnshire how we achieve such **high performance year on year**. How have we achieved this and still delivered a **rich curriculum** ... not a SATs factory? How have we delivered at every phase with so many changes in leaders, teaching staff and TAs in the last year? **Recruitment** is key. We employ staff that are **passionate** about making a difference to **the whole child**, both **pastorally** and **academically**. We pride ourselves on building **positive partnerships** with parents and carers. Ultimately, everyone has a **strong desire** to be part of this incredible **team**. We are never complacent and always reflect on how we can constantly further strengthen out school.

Our year 6 pupils enjoyed their **residential** last week. It provided them with time spent in nature away from screens and technology. Being **outdoors** is a great boost for their **mental** and **physical** health. It was wonderful to see them return to school talking of **Camaraderie** around the **campfire**, enjoying **nature** and creating **magical memories** with their teaching team and classmates. It was a chance to **work together** and bring closure to their primary school experience.

Thank you to Miss Bestwick and Mrs Robson for staying overnight with the children.




Each year a **music** event is held in July to **celebrate talent** across the Northern Hub for the Enquire Learning Trust! We plan this as Y3s **performance** experience.

It's a great opportunity for the Y3s to **connect** with other schools in the Trust and to feel part of the Enquire Learning Trust family.

The Y3s learnt three **shared songs** - I am the Earth, I am One Voice and Sing.

Mr Horkan also helped the children prepare a further two songs which they performed beautifully.



From September, we will continue to ask that in Years 1-6 children come to school in their **PE kit** on their PE day/s. This will mean that:

- Time isn't wasted with children getting changed!
- Clothes won't get lost!
- Children don't need to worry about privacy / be self-conscious getting changed
- Everyone will have PE kit, hair tied back and earrings removed on their PE day!

The **PE uniform** is displayed on our **school website** for children. Although you do not need to purchase Oakdene branded uniform, please ensure that you wear the school colours. Plain dark green or black joggers can be worn during colder months, then we recommend substituting joggers for plain green or black shorts in the warmer months.

**Please do not buy designer sportswear such as Nike, Adidas etc.**



Week Ending 14th July 2023  
Stars of the Week at Oakdene Primary Academy

Class	Star of the Week 	Star Reader 	Star Writer 
Morning Nursery Mrs Guest	Isla Featherstone	Nate Oliver	Liam Turner
Afternoon Nursery Mrs Guest	Louie Walker	Harper Cooper	Elena Uzor
YR Miss Robinson	Jacob Jackson	Bella Mansell	Mia Hudzicka
Willows Mrs Farnaby & Mr Brown	Taylor Perry	Taylor Perry	Alyza Bateman
Y1B Mrs Brown	Freddie Bell	Charlotte Eley-Carberry	Niamh Bellew
Y2D Mrs Durham	Spencer Jardine	Lily Charlton	Lewis Harris
Y3/4H Mr Horkan	Violet Wood	Frankie McQuilling	Lily Lloyd
Y3L Mrs Largan	Landon Quinn	Alyssa Frost-Usher	Brooke Carse
Y4S Miss Smith	Scarlett Rogers	Holly Stapleton	Isabelle Owens
Y5W Mrs Wilson	Rocco Garthwaite	Connor Bateman	Arez Ali
Y5M Mr McConnell	Cody-Lee Fitzpatrick	Kiera Ibbotson	Jack Tunney
Y6B Miss Bestwick	Millie Weetman	Olivia Woodcock	David Eguegu
	YR & KSI Charlie Beken	Y3 & Y4 Eliona Eguegu	Y5 & Y6: David Smith