



NEWSLETTER

Outwood Primary Academy Alne

DATE: June 2025

Dear Parents,

We are celebrating the news that the Year 4 and 5 will be exhibiting their artwork at The National Gallery from the Take One Picture project for the second year in a row. They produced the artwork in Year 3/4 with Mrs Harpin. This year's project took inspiration from the picture 'The Courtyard of a House in Delft' By Pieter de Hooch. Inspired by the path, the children went to visit the York Handmade Brick Company, then used real bricks to create tessellating patterns. Their work is now on display at the Roden Centre for Creative Learning until 31st August.

We are planning our Transition afternoon to the new classes on the afternoon of Monday 30th June whilst the current Year 6 are at OA Easingwold. A separate letter will be sent to all parents regarding the classes before this date.

Sports day is scheduled for 26th June, weather permitting. If the weather is inclement the alternative date would be 3rd July. Parents are welcome to spectate, please bring a folding chair or picnic blanket.

We have noticed more football kits or branded items, including very expensive trainers coming into school. We do expect children to wear school shoes, not trainers through the day. There is also an increasing amount of uniform without names which we will put out at the end of the day to be claimed. Any items remaining by the end of June will be donated to FOAS for resale.

Best wishes
Miss Dawson

Community: York and North Yorkshire survey

Jo Coles, York and North Yorkshire Deputy Mayor for Policing, Fire and Crime, is calling on the public to share their views on violence and community safety in York and North Yorkshire. This year's survey also includes specific questions about violence against women and girls.

Anyone who has been a victim of violence, felt unsafe or been affected by violent crime can take part in the survey to help improve services and support going forward.

The survey is open until Friday 4 July 2025 and can be accessed here:
<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/ViolenceSurvey>

Surveys!

We have a number of surveys that seek parents views open at present. Please do take the time to complete them and help us evaluate services and provision....

[Annual Parent Survey by 20th June](#)

[Caterlink Survey for lunches by 31st July](#)



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Enrichment

We are in the process of planning next year's after school care with our external providers. Details for bookings for September will be shared with parents as soon as possible.

Evaluation of provision in 2024-25

The following clubs were provided for children to access;

- Girls football
- Boys football
- York City
- Multiskills with Mr M
- Phoenix Dance
- Cricket
- Young Voices
- Ensemble/Guitar/Violin
- Well-Being
- SATs
- Coding
- Science

	% of children attending clubs	Sports clubs	Music Clubs	
KS2	100.00%	82.14%	75.00%	
KS1	96.43%	46.43%	0.00%	
SEN	100%	40%	0%	40% KS2
Disadvantaged	100%	50%	0%	100% KS2

We run enrichment at lunchtimes so that all children can attend but they might not tell you! All children in Year 3 to 6 have attended a club this year and 96% of children in Year 1 or 2 (this is only 1 child who didn't).

We have also offered Lego and Languages after school but there was insufficient interest to run them this year. We'll try them again for 25-26.

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, chocolate spread and pesto.** 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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Safeguarding information for parents:

North Yorkshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NYSCP) have released some updates to support parents with online safety.

[Keep Children Safe Online: Information, Advice, Support - Internet Matters.](#)

[Setting my child up for responsible gaming online | Internet Matters](#)

[Home Page - The Online Safety Centre](#) [Home Learning Hub - Safer Schools](#)

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Attendance

	Autumn Term	Spring Term	May	Year to date
Reception	100.0%	98.8%	97.5%	99.3
Y1/2	94.9%	96.5%	96.8%	95.7
Y3/4	97.2%	97.6%	94.4%	97.0
Y5/6	97.9%	97.3%	98.0%	97.6
Whole school	97.2%	97.7%	96.4%	97.2

All attendances are in % **above 98%** below 96% below 92%

Diary Dates 2024 – 2025: Spring and Summer Term

26 th to 30 th May	Half-term
4 th June	Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Countryside Day at Yorkshire Agricultural Centre
12 th June	Y5 & 6 at Queen Ethelburgha's Performing Arts Day
13 th June – change of date	Brownlee Triathlon
13 th June, 3.15pm	Y6 Residential meeting
19 th & 20 th June	Year 6 transition at Outwood Academy Easingwold
26 th June, 1.30 to 3pm	Sports Day
30 th June to 2 nd July	Year 6 residential
30 th June	Transition afternoon to new classes
1 st to 8 th July	Scholastic book fair
8 th July	Royal Opera House virtual create workshop
9 th July	Year 5 Languages day at OAEasingwold
11 th July	FOAS Break the rules day
14 th July	Reception, Year 1 and 2 at Harlow Carr
15 th July	French breakfast
18 th July	Leavers assembly and graduation

2025 Autumn Term

1 st September	Training Day
2 nd September	Children back to school
29 th September	Flu vaccinations
14 th October	Individual and family photographs
24 th October	Training Day
27 th to 31 st October	Half term
3 rd November	Children back to school
11 th December	Pantomime
19 th December	Training Day
22 nd December to 2 nd January	Christmas holiday
5 th January 2026	Children back to school



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Free School Meals Provision

Who is eligible for free school meals?

Free school meals are available to pupils in receipt of, or whose parents are in receipt of, one or more of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

In addition, the following pupils will be protected against losing their free school meals:

- Since 1 April 2018, all existing free school meals claimants have continued to receive free school meals whilst Universal Credit is rolled out. This applies regardless of any change in household circumstances, including if their earnings rise above the threshold during that time. Protections will remain in place until the end of the 2025/26 school year.
- From the start of the 2026/27 school year, the Department for Education will extend entitlement to free school meals to include all children from households in receipt of Universal Credit.

If you think you are eligible for Free School Meals you can [apply online through North Yorkshire](#). This is important if your child is in Reception, Year 1 or 2 and doesn't pay for their lunch as school receives additional funding. You will also be eligible to access free FEAST childcare activities during school holidays.

Music Lessons

We 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)
- 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.