



NEWSLETTER

Children First
OUTWOOD
PRIMARY ACADEMY KIRKHAMGATE

12th September 2022



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UP COMING DATES



- Monday 2nd Jan – Bank holiday
- Monday 20th February – Inset day
- Monday 1st May – Bank holiday
- Friday 26th May – Inset day
- Monday 24th July – Inset day
- Tuesday 25th July – Inset day

Date for your diary:
Tuesday 4th October – Individual and family photographs.

For support with Mental Health visit our website and click the green button or click this link:
<https://mentalwellbeing.outwood.com/>



Calling all Midday Supervisors

If you are interested in a lunchtime midday supervisor role with us then please visit the vacancy section on our website or contact the office for further information. Closing date is Friday 16th September. We would love to hear from you.

Polite reminders

We would like to remind you that earrings and nail varnish are not permitted. Also, please ensure your child is wearing the correct footwear as trainers are not acceptable.



Healthy Lifestyles

At Outwood Primary Kirkhamgate we encourage healthy lifestyles including learning about balanced diets. We are happy for your child to bring a healthy snack for break times, for example a piece of fruit or vegetable crudité.

A great start to the year

We are really delighted about the positive start to this academic year. There is a real buzz around school with lots of exciting learning experiences and super examples of work. We are looking forward to sharing more of these as the term progresses.



Twitter

If you would like to see all the wonderful things we do each day then follow us on Twitter @OPA_KHG. To follow your child's class Twitter page simply complete your Twitter Google web form and request to follow your class account.



Pupil Roles and Responsibilities

This week we will be holding assemblies to launch pupil voice roles and responsibilities for this year. The children are really excited about this and are keen to apply. We are really looking forward to reading the children's applications and electing representatives for each group. The chosen children will be announced shortly.



Diploma

The Outwood Diploma is an essential part of our enhanced curriculum and this half term the focus is to 'Be A Good British and International Citizen'. Each year group has a different focus and already the children have been asking about what they will be learning and are enthusiastic to build on previous learning and extend their knowledge. For further information about our Diploma please click the link below:
<https://www.kirkhamgate.outwood.co.uk/posts/3255>

Attendance matters

Attendance is essential for your child's academic progress and social interactions.



We have an expectation that every pupil should aim for 100% attendance. By making regular school attendance a priority, you can help set your child on the path to success. Our attendance year to date is 95% and our target is 97%. Please ensure your child arrives on time each day as every minute late is a minute lost learning.

Zones of Regulation

In assembly we introduced 'Zones of Regulation' which is a system that categorises states of alertness and emotions into four coloured zones designed to foster self-regulation and emotional control. The zones help pupils visually and verbally self-identify how they are functioning in the moment, by understanding the emotions they feel and states of alertness. Teachers can then support children to move between the zones.

What zone am I in?



Safeguarding

We take safeguarding very seriously. Please find below some links that you might find useful or speak to one of our designated staff in school if you have any concerns.



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/childrens-mental-health/>

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>