



NEWSLETTER

Children First
OUTWOOD
PRIMARY ACADEMY KIRKHAMGATE

DATE 30th September 2021

UP COMING DATES

Tuesday 5th October – Individual photos
Wednesday 6th October - Flu jabs
Thursday 7th October - Movie theme dinner
Friday 8th October - Hello Yellow Day

Parent information evenings:
EYFS/ Y1 Monday 11th October
Y2 Tuesday 12th October
Y4 Monday 11th October
Y6 Thursday 7th October



19th/ 20th October - Parents evenings.

Friday 22nd October - Break up for half term.

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.



Individual photos 5th October



Photographs will be taken during the school day, class by class. If you would like sibling or family photos taken, you can have them taken from 08:00 in the hall. We politely request that you stay with your children unless they are booked into the breakfast club.

Twitter

Keep up to date with all the wonderful things your children do each day by following their class on Twitter. Simply return your Twitter slip and request to follow your class account. Additionally you can also follow our school account @OPA_KHG.



Roles and responsibilities

Congratulations to the children who have been elected for one of our pupil voice roles in school. We are looking forward to hearing their plans for the rest of the term.



Goodbye and Welcome:

We would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to Sue Silk who has been our chair of governors for over 10 years and whose commitment to Kirkhamgate has been outstanding. We would like to welcome Mrs Sonia Wilson as our new chair of governors and wish her luck in her new role.



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 96.47 % and our target is 97%. Please ensure your child arrives on time each day as every minute late is a minute lost learning.



Safe Parking

We would like to ask that you help us support the local community with parking safely away from the school gates and junctions. Our children's safety is paramount and we would like to stress that it is everyone's responsibility to ensure that the parking outside school isn't dangerous and that you see your children across the road safely.



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/>

Safeguarding Lead: Mrs L Cooke

Local Support Services

Wakefield Safeguarding Children Partnership - <https://www.wakefieldscp.org.uk/>

ICON (Baby crying support) - <https://iconcope.org/>

Young Minds (Mental Health Support for child) - <https://youngminds.org.uk/>

Mind (Mental Health Support for adults) - www.mind.org.uk

