



# NEWSLETTER

Children First  
**OUTWOOD**  
PRIMARY ACADEMY KIRKHAMGATE

3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022



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## UP COMING DATES

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



Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Individual and family photographs.  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October - Y4 Multiplication Check Parents Information Meeting  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October-Y1 Phonics Parents Information Meeting  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October - KS1 Parents information evening  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October - KS2 Parents information evening  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October - Reception Phonics Parents Information Meeting  
18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> October - Parents evening.

### Details to follow shortly

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

## 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.

## Parent/Carer Concerns

If you have any concerns at all about your child whilst they are in school please do not hesitate to make an appointment to come and talk to us. We are always happy to listen and support you and your child.

## 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.

## Water Bottles

Please provide your child with a bottle of water in order for them to keep hydrated and ready for learning throughout the school day.

## Pupil Roles and Responsibilities

There was such an exciting buzz around school when we announced which children had been chosen to represent their class in various roles around school. We are looking forward to hearing their plans as we move through the school year.



Play Leaders

Restorative Practice Leaders



Mental Health & Wellbeing Champions



Digital Leaders



Masters of Maths



Academy Parliament

## European Day of Languages

Children across the academy were very enthusiastic in learning how to say hello and goodbye in different languages and immersing themselves in the culture of many European countries. It was lovely to hear 'Bonjour' and 'Buenos Dias' to name but a few greetings during the school day.



## A visit from the Mayor

We were absolutely delighted to welcome the Mayor and his Macebearer into our school. The children were so excited to hear about his important role during our special assembly and Academy Parliament met with him afterwards to ask relevant questions.



## 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.

### Every School Day Counts

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned
5 days absence over the whole year	97% - 100%	Good chance of success and progress
20 days absence over the whole year	90%	Less chance of success. Harder to make progress
20+ days absence over the whole year	Under 90%	Detrimental to success and progress