

# The Oaks Primary School

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Good afternoon families,

There is lots of buzz around school this week with many children making it into the 'Golden Book' for their persistence in their school work. I am also really pleased with the amount of reading that is happening at home; I have never given so many free books away! The more children read, the more permanent their reading skills become which means then moving on to more challenging texts becomes possible. Thank you for your support at home and your encouragement, this really does show.

We are also driving children's knowledge of number bonds and times tables in school as these are the key to unlocking more tricky concepts such as time, money and fractions. To support us with this, we would be grateful if you could ensure that your children practise on Doodle Tables daily; we all know that practise makes permanent. We are really seeing the correlation between children practising their times tables at home and the outcome of their weekly maths tests increasing.

It has been wonderful to see so many parents and wider family members attending Celebration Assembly on Friday mornings. This really is the highlight of the week for us where we get to shout about all of the fabulous things going on in school.

Next week will be a different week as we are closed to most classes on Wednesday. We look forward to seeing our Year 6 children on Wednesday who I am sure, will enjoy having the school to themselves. Breakfast Club for our Year 6 pupils is also available on Wednesday for those who usually attend. We will welcome back all other pupils at 8:45am on Thursday morning.

*Mrs Louise Roberts—Headteacher*

Our Year 6 class are expected to be in on Wednesday 1st February. As school is open on this day for Year 6, any absences will be treated as unauthorised. Illness notifications should be telephoned to the school office.

*Don't forget :*

## Forthcoming dates for your diary:

Breakfast club is open daily from 8:00am priced at 50p per day

### Monday 30th January

Reception dress up day

### Tuesday 31st January 3:15pm

Y6 parents to meet at Y6 classroom for SATs information event

### Wednesday 1st February

All classes closed expect for Year 6

### Thursday 2nd February

All Y6 pupils plus a group of Year 5 pupils to the sports hall athletics event at ESPV

### Thursday 2nd February 3:15pm

Meeting in Year 6 classroom for families who are planning to cook for the food festival

### Friday 3rd February

Wear a number to school day and bring £1 to raise funds for NSPCC

### Thursday 9th February 3:30-4:30pm

Food Festival in hall—all welcome

### Friday 10th February

Cricket festival at The Oaks with St Barnard's school visiting. Information will come out on a separate letter

### Thursday 16th February

Year 5 & 6 girls group to mini basketball event

### Friday 17th February 3:15pm

School closes for half term break  
Clubs are on as normal.

### Monday 27th February 8:45am

Back to school for all children