



Oughtibridge Primary School Newsletter 12th January 2026

Headteacher's Message



Welcome back, and happy New Year! It has been wonderful to see the children return in such good spirits and ready to learn, embracing fresh starts and new year's resolutions. We would like to thank parents and carers for your continued support during the recent snow and icy conditions, particularly your patience and understanding with our late openings. Our thanks also go to the premises team for their hard work clearing snow and gritting paths to keep the site safe, and to the office team for promptly sharing late opening updates.

We are very much looking forward to an exciting and successful term ahead. I hope you have received the year group curriculum bulletins via class dojo this week. they give a brief overview of the topics your child will be learning about this term. If you require further information, please check out the curriculum pages on our school website. Have a great weekend - hopefully there will be some snow left to play in!

Mrs Helen Adams

Headteacher

Classes With The Best Attendance This Week



Whole School - 96.3% Target - 97%

KS1 - Y1LC 96.7%

KS2 - Y4AN 98%

Please remember the school gates close at 8:50am and staff start completing the register after this time. Children are set tasks as soon as they enter the classroom and if your child is regularly a couple of minutes late, they do miss out on vital maths and spelling practice!

Year Group News



Year 4

Don't forget the payment of £18.30 is due by the 10th January for the Y4 Tropical World trip. Payment is available through the Peak Edge app. If you have any difficulties or issues with the payment please contact the school office.

Letters have been sent home for Y4 Hotshots Basketball. Please ensure interested children return slips no later than Friday 16th January.

Year 5

A huge thank you to families for submitting the Medical and Dietary information for Mount Cook before Christmas. This information has now been shared with the centre. If there are any changes to your submission between now and our residential, please let Mr Butler or Ms Wade know.

Year 6

Confirmation of details for Y6 Sports Hall Athletics (All Saints, Monday 19th January, 3.15 - 5.00) will be shared ASAP. Thank you to parents who have volunteered to transport children!

Maths Club starts on Monday 12th January - 3:20 to 4:30. Your children will have a letter if they are taking part. A reminder that all the children will need collecting as it is dark at 4:30.

Letters have been sent home for Y6 Indoor Bouldering. Please ensure interested children return slips no later than Friday 16th January.

Whole School News



KS2 Cross Country

Cross Country Race 6 takes place at Handsworth Grange Community College on Saturday 10th January (10am first race). This is a new venue for the Cross Country, so please leave adequate time to find parking and reach the event prior to racing

Sheffield Steelers Tickets

Details have been shared via Reachmore for how to access discounted tickets for more Sheffield Steelers games! The letter has information about a new booking system that will be used.

Our next discounted fixture is Sunday 22nd February (4pm) vs Guildford Flames. Ticket requests must be sent to enquiries no later than Friday 13th February.

Medical resources/ information

Key guidance available to help manage seasonal illnesses and keep pupils and staff well.

- [Education Hub Blog](#): Reducing the spread of illness this winter: Seven steps to healthier schools and higher school attendance – a helpful blog for parents and staff.
- [NHS Guidance for Parents](#): Is my child too ill for school? – a useful resource to help parents decide when children should stay at home.
- [Preventing and Controlling Infections Guidance](#): Includes advice on vaccination, ventilation, and good respiratory hygiene.
- [A–Z of managing Infectious Diseases](#): Practical guidance on managing specific illnesses.

SEND Parent Group Meeting
Oughtibridge Primary School

Does your child at Oughtibridge Primary School have any additional needs?
Are you concerned that your child may have additional needs?
(Any Special Educational Needs and/or Disability (SEND), with or without diagnosis)

Join our meeting with a Project Worker from Sheffield Parent Carer Forum

- Meet other parents
- Share experiences
- Have your parent/carer voice heard
- Discuss concerns, ask questions and find support

10am
Thursday 15th January
Oughtibridge Primary School

For further information or to confirm attendance, please email
annamarie.emmett@sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk

What I wish my parents or carers knew: A kind for parents on managing children's digital lives.

<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/what-i-wish-my-parents-or-carers-knew-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers-on-managing-childrens-digital-lives/>

Supporting children’s safety is a shared responsibility between families, schools and wider society. For parents and carers, this responsibility has become increasingly complex as children’s lives are now deeply intertwined with the digital world. Many parents face difficult decisions about how to balance protecting children from online harm with enabling access to spaces that are now central to learning, socialising and play.

This guide focuses on the challenge of managing children’s everyday online habits.

This guide was written with the direct involvement of children in England. It is a reflection of their views.

Extra Curricular Information



Monday

Ninja Warrior/ Gymnastics - Y1, Y2

Football - Y6

Choir - Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Tuesday

Hockey - Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Art - Y1 and Y2

Wednesday

Football - Y2 and Y3

Street dance - Y1 and Y2

Thursday

Yoga/ Gymnastics - Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Friday

Soft Cricket - Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Multi Sports - Y1 and Y2

Art - Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

School Lunch Menu



School lunches are free for all children in FS2 and KS1. School meals cost £2.90 per day (£14.50 per week) for children in KS2. Payment must be made online by Parentmail.

Children will order their lunch at registration time. Any child arriving after 9:30am, who hasn't pre-ordered a meal, will need to be provided with a packed lunch from home.

A reminder that **School Census Day is on Thursday 15th January**, and to help mark the day, Taylor Shaw will be serving a special lunch menu:

Oughtibridge Primary School					
Autumn/Winter Menu Week 3					
3rd Nov, 24th Nov, 15th Dec, 12 th Jan, 2 nd Feb, 23 rd Feb, 16th March					
WEEK THREE	PIZZA PARTY MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	CENSUS DAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option	Margherita Pizza with Home-baked Jacket Wedges	Mild Chicken Curry served with Mixed Rice	Roast Chicken with Gravy, stuffing & Roast potatoes	Chicken Nuggets and Chips	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian Meal Option	Sweet & Sour Vegetables & Sunny Rice	Spinach & Sweet Potato Curry vs	Vegetable Lasagne & Garlic Bread	Veggie fish fingers and chips	Cheese Fian
Vegetables	Sweetcorn, Baked Beans	Broccoli, Cauliflower & Carrots	Seasonal Greens & Carrots	Broccoli or Sweetcorn	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, Baked Beans
Sandwiches	Cheese	Tuna	Hot Roast Baguette	Ham	Fish Finger Wrap
Baked Jacket Potatoes	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans	Jacket Potato with Cheesy Beans, Tuna Mayo or Cheese or Beans
Dessert	Iced Sponge Cake topped with a Glace Cherry	Syrup Sponge Pudding & Custard	Apple & Cinnamon Rolls	Chocolate marble cake	Chocolate Oaty Slices

Available Daily: Pick & Mix Selection, Salad, Fresh Bread, Fresh Fruit & Yoghurt

Portion(s) of fruit or veg

Source of wholegrain

Contains plant-based proteins

50% Fruit

Oily Fish

Vegan

VG

England's target for 'free sugar' intake for your child
Recommended fruit and vegetable portion sizes are calculated using School Food Standards.
On average our desserts do not exceed a third of a child's recommended 'free sugar' intake.

The school receives additional money for every child that has a school dinner on this day.

- Chicken Nuggets and Chips
- Veggie Fingers and Chips
- Jacket Potatoes
- Ham Sandwich
- Chocolate Marble Cake

If your child is in **FS2, Year 1, or Year 2**, or **qualifies for income-based Free School Meals**, we'd really appreciate it if they could have a school meal on that day. This is because the number of children having a school lunch on Census Day has a big impact on the funding our school receives. The more children in these year groups that take up a school lunch, the more support we get for the school. To help encourage as many children as possible to join in, we'll be running Lucky Plates – where a few lucky children will receive a special treat just for having school lunch! If your child usually brings a packed lunch, they're still welcome to bring it as a backup, but we'd love them to give a hot meal a try on the day. Thanks so much for your support – it really does make a difference.

Also note due to delivery difficulties a change to Monday's usual menu.

Letters Sent Home This Week



The App has been active this week. Please check your emails before requesting copies of any letters which have been sent home. Copies of letters are also available on our [website](#).

Please ensure your mobile is switched on at all times to receive any emergency texts (if you have registered for this service).

List of letters

All - Policy for snowy weather

All - Peak Edge Eco School Newsletter

All - School Census Day menu options

All - Sheffield Steelers Tickets

All - SEND parent group meeting (see flyer in whole school news)

FS2 - What I want to be

FS2 - Winter walk

FS2 - Spring Bulletin

KS1 - 1 minute reads for KS1 parents

Y4 - Hotshots Basketball Competition (paper letter sent with reply slip)

Y5 - Spring Bulletin

Upcoming Dates



All upcoming events are detailed in the calendar on the Peak Edge App.

Saturday 10th January - Cross country Handsworth Grange School

Saturday 10th January - Y4 payment due for Tropical World trip

Thursday 15th January - FS2 Winter walk

Friday 16th January - Healthy Mind Workshop How to talk and how to listen.

Monday 19th January - Y4 trip to Tropical World

Thursday 22nd January - Y1 and Y2 British Isle day

Friday 6th February - Y3 final payment due for Thornbridge residential

External Opportunities



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Information sessions

Whats on January 2026



<p>14 January 2026</p> <p>Trauma informed practice</p> <p>ONLINE</p> <p>Wednesday 12-2pm</p>	<p>21st January 2026</p> <p>Preparation for adulthood</p> <p>Burton Street Foundation. 57 Burton St, S6 2HH</p> <p>Wednesday 9.30-1pm.</p>
<p>28th January 2026</p> <p>Understanding Sensory</p> <p>ONLINE</p> <p>Wednesday 7pm-9pm</p>	<p>24th January 2026</p> <p>Anxiety</p> <p>Mencap & Gateway, Norfolk Lodge Park Grange Road, S2 3QF</p> <p>Saturday 10am-12pm</p>

Book via the link on our events page at www.sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk or scan the QR code



Parents and carers forum - What's On Guide for January 2026

Supporting your child to get good quality sleep

ABOUT US

Sheffield Mental Health Support Team offers support to schools with emotional wellbeing.

- The MHST Senior Clinician in your school: Dr Holly McGrellis.
- The Senior EMHP in your school: Alexe Taylor

WORKSHOP AIMS

This workshop will focus on the importance of good quality sleep and how it can impact your well being. Providing practical strategies that you can try at home to support your child with sleep.

When: 16/01/26
Time: 9am

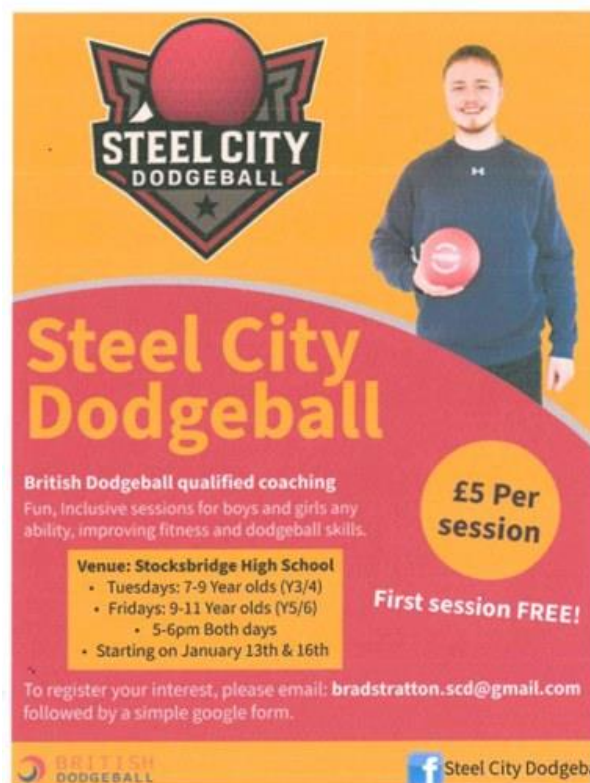
Refreshments will be provided



Healthy Minds Workshop - Supporting your child to get a good quality sleep. Please email enquiries@oughtibridge.sheffield.sch.uk if you will be attending this workshop. Thank you!



Thank you so much for your support of **Cash for Kids South Yorkshire and Derbyshire's Mission** Christmas appeal.



Contact Us

For more information, [visit our website.](#)

We are also on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#).

Call us on 0114 2863167.