



Oughtibridge Primary School Newsletter

19th January 2026

Headteacher's Message



Week Two Done!

Thank goodness for the slightly warmer weather this week - we have had plenty of outdoor play and lunches this week which makes everyone feel better. FS2 went for a lovely winter walk down to the park so they could see all the changes between the Autumn and Winter. We still have some spaces on some of our after school clubs - this is another chance to get active during these dark winter evenings.

I have really enjoyed walking round school this week and seeing the children's focus and concentration whether this is in Art, Maths or Geography. Children have returned to school after Christmas and we are seeing so many improvements. Thank you for your support.

Mrs Sleney

We are very sad to announce that Mrs Rachel Sleney will be leaving us next Friday. She has an exciting new job in Rotherham. Mrs Sleney has worked at Oughtibridge in many different roles - as a lunchtime supervisor, Breakfast and After school club coordinator and as a teaching assistant. She has supported many, many children and families over the years and her care, kindness and compassion will be sadly missed. We are happy that she has secured a new position and she knows she will always be a part of the Oughtibridge family. Mrs Sleney will be in school next Friday for a special leaving assembly so children will have a chance to say goodbye to her then. Thank you Mrs Sleney for everything you have done for Oughtibridge School.

Use of Mobile Phones and Tablets

Yesterday I spoke to Y4,5 and 6 children about over use of phones and tablets to contact their friends. We are seeing increasing issues coming into school where children have been unkind to each other, have been contacting each other 8 or 9 times a hour or have been added to very large Whats App groups with strangers. If you do allow your child to have access to Whats App or messenger (**intended for 13+**), I strongly reccomend you monitor their interactions daily and check out this website

<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/>. For further information please see the letter I sent out on Thursday.

Punctuality

Thank you to all parents for trying so hard to get your child to school on time. Those few minutes in class at the beginning of the day really do make a difference! We understand that the layout of the school site does make it difficult, particularly for families with children in multiple year groups. The school gates open at 8.40 am in order to give everyone 10 minutes to get to class safely. Please don't be offended if we ask you to go and sign in at the office if you bring your child after 8.50am. This is for safeguarding

Classes With The Best Attendance This Week



Whole School Attendance since September - 96.5% Target - 97%

Attendance this week - 98.5%

KS1 - Y2KF 100%

KS2 -Y3DH 99%

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



Foundation Stage

Thank you to all the parents that came on our Winter Walk down to the park this week - the children had a lovely time looking for seasonal changes and bird spotting.

Year 1 and Year 2

We will be participating in our British Isles Day with the year 2 children on Thursday 22nd January. Each class will be spending time with each of the KS1 teachers to explore a different country in each lesson. Remember your child is welcome to come dressed in colours of any of the UK flags. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to deepen their understanding of the United Kingdom and its rich cultural heritage.

Year 4

As part of our 'Rainforest Calling' topic this term, we are very excited to be going on a trip to Tropical World in Leeds. This trip will take place on Monday 19th January and will be all day. The children will need to be dropped off at school by 08.20 and we will return to school at the later time of 3.45pm. Please collect your child from their classroom door as normal. The children will need a packed lunch or have ordered a grab bag.

Year 6

It is the city finals of Sports Hall Athletics on Monday 19th January. Details for travel have now been arranged. Children will need collecting from school at 2.30pm, and for children being transported by other parents, we anticipate returning to school at 5.30pm. Further details are on the confirmation letters sent home, but please contact Mr Butler with any further questions.

Whole School News





KS2 Cross Country

We're heading towards the end of the Cross Country season. The next regular season fixture takes place on Saturday 7th February at Norfolk Park (10am first race).

What a fantastic run from Freddie to achieve a fabulous 2nd place on Saturday 11th at Handsworth. Well done!!

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, Y3 and Y4

Street dance - Y1, Y2 and Y3

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

There are still some places for **Tuesday** Y3,4,5,6 Hockey, **Wednesday** Y1,2,3, Street dance, **Wednesday** Y2,3,4 Football, **Thursday** Y3,4,5,6 Yoga/Gymnastic and **Friday** Y3,4,5,6 Soft cricket. See the Peak Edge app for bookings.

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.

Please note a change to Monday's menu week 1 for this week. We will be serving beef burgers instead of sausage rolls.

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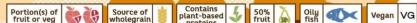
Autumn/Winter Menu Week 1

10th Nov, 1st Dec, 22nd Dec, 19th Jan, 9th Feb, 2nd March, 23rd March

TEAM FAB 4 A FORCE FOR FOOD

WEEK ONE	FAVOURITES MONDAY	WORLD TUESDAY	ROAST WEDNESDAY	PIZZA PARTY THURSDAY	FISH FRIDAY
Main Meal Option	Beef Burger & Home-baked Potato Wedges	Beef Taco with Corn Tortilla, Tomato Sauce & Sunny Rice	Roast Chicken with Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Wholemeal Tomato & Cheese Pizza & Home-baked Jacket Wedges	MSC Fish Fingers & Chips
Vegetarian Meal Option	Macaroni Cheese	Italian Quorn Meatballs served with Pasta ^{veg}	Quorn Grill, Gravy, Stuffing & Roast Potatoes	Cheese Flan	Vegetable Fingers & Chips with Ketchup VG
Vegetables	Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Mixed Salad or Broccoli	Seasonal Greens & Carrots	British Red Tractor Garden Peas, 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, Cheese, Salmon Mayo, or Beans
Dessert	Vanilla Shortbread VG & Chocolate Sauce	Oaty DateCookie	Strawberry Jelly ^{veg}	Chocolate & Pear Crumble ^{veg} & Custard	Vanilla Ice Cream

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



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.

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 - Mobile Phone and Tablet Messaging Use - Safeguarding and Supporting Our Children

Y4AN - Swimming Lesson letter

Y4 - Castleton Kit letter

Upcoming Dates



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

Monday 19th January - Y4 trip to Tropical World

Thursday 22nd January - Y1 and Y2 British Isle day

Monday 2nd February - Y4 final payment due for Castleton residential

Monday 2nd February - Y4, 5, 6 Maths adventure WOW day

Tuesday 3rd February - Y1, 2, 3 Maths adventure WOW day

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

Saturday 7th February - Cross Country Norfolk Park

Tuesday 10th February - Y4AN swimming lessons start

Wednesday 11th February - Young voices concert
Friday 13th February - SOS Dare to be different day
Friday 13th February - Parent/carer book look
Friday 13th February - School closes for half term
School reopens on Monday 23rd February

External Opportunities



Super Star Sport would like to welcome you to our fantastic
Bradfield Dungworth Half-Term Holiday Camps

Dungworth Green, Sheffield, South Yorkshire, S6 6HE

16th-20th February 2026

Our holiday camps run from 8:45am - 3:30pm every day

Half-day bookings are:

Morning session: 8:45am - 12pm

Afternoon session: 12:30pm - 3:30pm

All our clubs/holiday camps are safe, fun and engaging. We have risk assessments and procedures in place to ensure the upmost safety for the children. Our enhanced DBS checked, first-aid trained coaches are fully qualified and will ensure the children are having a great time during our sport sessions.

HOW DO I BOOK???

Full Day Price - £20.00

Half Day Price - £10.00

Full Week Price - £92.00

PLEASE NOTE 4-year-olds can only attend on half days due to our OFSTED registration

Booking link - <https://pbbl.uk/49Gh1t8>

Book through our QR code below



We are now taking bookings for the **February Half Term 2026**. Please visit this link for more information -

Ultimate Activity Camps – On The Move

Please see the information attached & below for venues/dates/times;

Hillsborough Leisure Centre

Wednesday 18th February

Friday 20th February

Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre

Tuesday 17th February

Thursday 19th February

The online booking & payment system will take you through your booking. Please start by selecting the venue you'd like to book places at. If you want to book multiple dates this can be done in the next stages of your booking. You'll need to fill out the online registration form. Select your lunch option and decide if you'd like to use our early drop off option. Finding it difficult? Don't panic. We'll still be available on this email address to answer any questions and to support you with your booking.

PLEASE NOTE: If you'd like a benefits related free school meal place please reply to this email and we'll send you the booking password.



The graphic features a large orange and black graphic on the left with the text 'ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMP' and a stylized orange person icon. To the right is a photograph of children playing outdoors. Below the photo are several circular icons with text: a calendar icon for 'Tuesday 17th February' and 'Thursday 19th February 10:00 am - 3:00pm'; a location pin icon for 'Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre Moorland Drive, S36 1EG'; a pound sign icon for '£20 per person per day*'; and a small text note about free school meals. To the right of these icons is a teal box containing the text 'Ultimate Activity Camps are guaranteed to give your child enjoyment and excitement during the school holidays.' Below this is an orange box with the text 'AGES 5+'. At the bottom, there is a 'BOOK NOW' button, the email 'Email - UACbookings@onthemove.org.uk', and the website 'Website - www.onthemove.org.uk/UltimateActivityCamps'. Logos for 'Stocksbridge Community Leisure Centre' and 'Department for Education' are at the bottom right.

ULTIMATE ACTIVITY CAMP

Wednesday 18th February
Friday 20th February
9:30 am - 3:30pm

Hillsborough Leisure Centre
Beulah Road, S6 2AN

£20 per person per day*
*Please contact us about FREE places for children & young people in receipt of benefits related free school meals

AGES 5+

Email - UACbookings@onthemove.org.uk
Website - www.onthemove.org.uk/UltimateActivityCamps

BOOK NOW

The Ultimate Activity Camp team are insured, DBS checked, First Aid trained and experienced or qualified in the activities we offer!

Healthy Holidays
Be active eat well

Department for Education

Thanks

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Contact Us

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

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