

# Overdale Community Primary School

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**'We Listen, We Learn, We Shine'**



## October Newsletter

Time has flown by and we are already over a month into our new academic year! We would like to take this opportunity to thank parents/carers for their continued support at home, with spellings, reading and mathematics. 20 minutes daily input at home is so valuable and really does help consolidate learning within school.

It has also been lovely seeing so many of you at our Friday assembly when we celebrate the successes of our children— we are proud of their achievements so far.

Thank you for your ongoing support Mrs Logan and Mrs Stabler



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We are working well with Braeburn Primary and Nursery Academy as a staff team, already we have shared staff meetings to moderate writing and maths and our subject leaders are sharing expertise. Working as Co-Headteachers with the support from Mr Watson as Assistant Head is enabling our school to continue to make good progress. We would like to thank our parents for their interest and good wishes with the project and our Governors for their continued support with this until a substantive Headteacher can be appointed for Braeburn.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Holidays in term times will not be authorised unless you have a reason which meets the LA's exceptional circumstances criteria. Our attendance is suffering greatly at the moment due to holidays, but more importantly your child's learning is too. ☹

### Harvest Festival

A big thank you to everyone who came to our Harvest Festival celebration on Wednesday. We know you will agree that the children performed wonderfully. We had a large amount of produce brought into school and again we thank you for your generosity, we have distributed it locally and donated the rest to Westway Church. The Macmillan Coffee Morning raised £88.50 – thank you for your support with this worthwhile event.



Facebook

We are about to launch our very own Facebook page it will be called Overdale CP School. We hope it will be another way to keep you up to date with events and happenings in school. We welcome your positive feedback and communication on the page, but politely remind you about your home/school agreement.

### Earrings:

Please remember that your child cannot participate in physical education lessons if they have their earrings in, they **MUST** be taken out prior to the lesson. We cannot provide tape for them to be covered, it is against NYCC policy.



### Diary dates:

- 8<sup>th</sup> October – Yr 1 & 2 visiting the library
- 9<sup>th</sup> October – Yr 5 visiting a farm
- 10<sup>th</sup> October – EYFS visiting the library
- 18<sup>th</sup> October – Year 3 visiting a farm – change of date!
- 17<sup>th</sup> October – parents evening
- 18<sup>th</sup> October - parents evening
- 24<sup>th</sup> October – Box 2 be fit in school training Year 6 sports leaders.
- 26<sup>th</sup> October – break up for October half term
- 5<sup>th</sup> November – teacher training day
- 6<sup>th</sup> November – children return to school
- 13<sup>th</sup> November – book fair comes to school for a week ☺
- 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> November – parents invited in classrooms
- 19<sup>th</sup> November – Zoolab visiting school and flu vaccination
- 7<sup>th</sup> December – KS1 Christmas performance
- 10<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas fayre
- 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas dinner
- 20<sup>th</sup> December - KS2 to Spa for the pantomime
- 21<sup>st</sup> December – Christmas jumper day, EYFS performance and last day of term



## After School Clubs

Cooking club – we know that many of you were disappointed with not being chosen for cookery club – we had over 75 responses!!! We have selected 10 for the first four weeks and will aim to choose 10 every four weeks so that we provide everyone with an opportunity to attend this club.

- Monday – Table Tennis club.
- Tuesday – Mark Barber's football club
- Wednesday – Stephen Joseph Theatre
- Thursday – Homework club

### School teams:

Well done to our Year 5/6 football team who have recently taken part in several fixtures against other local schools. Mr Lawton commented on how you were great ambassadors for our school and how hard you worked on the pitch. Well done boys.



### Governor section:

Several of our Governors are working in school at the moment and we appreciate their time and dedication to the children of Overdale CP School.

Mrs McDowell is working with children in year 5.

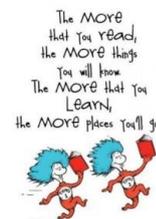
Mr Henderson is enjoying listening to children read in KS2.

Mrs Tate is spending time in Nursery.



### Staff news:

We are saddened to inform you that Mrs Knowles will be leaving school at the end of this half term, she has accepted a position at East Ayton after school club. Although we are sad to see her leave we know she will be fabulous in her new job and wish her well.



Reading is one of our school priorities this year. We are working hard in school to provide positive reading experiences to your child and recently enjoyed a visit to Eastfield library. We are also thrilled that the National Literacy Trust has started a hub on the Scarborough Coast called 'Our Stories', we know that the hub will support our work on reading and look forward to working alongside each other in the near future...