

# Otley All Saints CE Primary School

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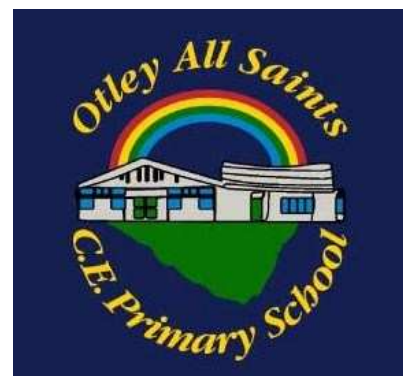


Our British summer weather remains astonishingly tropical, and we were delighted that our PTA Summer Fair was blessed by such wonderful sunshine. The afternoon brought a net profit of over £1,500 for PTA funds, and we are very grateful to everyone, staff and parents, who worked hard on the day to make it such a lovely occasion. Special thanks to Simon Toyne and Kim Slater for their organisational skills.

This has been another very successful year for the PTA, with highlights being the fairs, the scarecrow hunt, the carnival, the quizzes and the discos, not forgetting the fantastic orienteering challenge. We are truly lucky to have families who are willing to dedicate time, money and effort to support our school and its community. Grateful thanks for their leadership this year go to our PTA committee: Simon Toyne, Kim Slater, Becki Shuttleworth, Angela Hammond and Beth Johnson, and to all who attended PTA meetings or helped at the different events. Our first meeting in September will be the annual general meeting on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm; as all of our parents are automatically members of the PTA, we would like to encourage you to attend, and help us to plan next year's activities and how we should use our funds. Your input is vital!

**Summer Concert** Our concert last Monday was another triumph, although sadly it was the last one for our brass teacher, Mr Eddison. We would like to thank him, and all our music teachers, for encouraging such an impressive range of music making in our school. Grateful thanks too to Mrs Nunn, who with the assistance of Mrs Beck, Mrs Scott, Mrs Morley and Mrs Eveleigh, has guided the orchestra to an impressive standard over the year. Well done to all our performers – you were amazing!

If children in Key Stage 2 would like to start learning an instrument next year, please return the invitation slip from the letter sent last week, a copy of which can be found on the Newsletter page of our website.



This half term our core Christian value is:



## Diary Dates

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** – Fun Day

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July** – Leavers' Service, All Saints Church  
1.30pm

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July** – Talent Show  
Break up for summer holiday

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September** – Training Day

**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September** – Pupils return to school

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September** – PTA Annual general meeting

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September** – Year 6 at Winmarleigh Hall this week

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September** – Individual school photographs

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September** – MacMillan Coffee Morning

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October** – Harvest Festival at All Saints Church,  
2.00pm



Valid to: June 2019

**Fun Day, Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July** We are looking forward to our annual Fun Day, where teams of children enjoy a morning of sporting competition and silly games! This year our theme is 'Being a Good Sport', and we encourage all children to come to school on Monday in sports gear. This can be any sport, from PE kit or football strips to horse riding gear and martial arts outfits. The aim of the morning will be to have fun – as well as being a good sport! We are also looking forward to our Leavers' Service at All Saints Church at 1.30pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> July (parents attending may take their children directly from church), and our Talent Show on the last day of term – all entries to Miss Wilson as soon as possible, please!



**Forest School Sessions** We are very grateful to Amanda Newham of Chevin Forest School who provided a memorable session for each of our classes this week, and to the PTA, who have generously organised and financed this event. The sunny weather made it ideal in many ways – except that the dry conditions meant that no fires could be permitted. Nonetheless, the children from Nursery to Year 6 have really enjoyed this opportunity – maybe it could become an annual event!



**Wraparound Care** Attached to this letter is a booking form for our Early Birds Breakfast Club and 456 After School Club which offer childcare before and after school within the school building. If you would like to reserve places at these clubs, please return the form to the office before the end of term to be sure of receiving your preferred sessions.



**'Mischievous Makers', Summer Reading Challenge** We would like as many of our pupils as possible to get involved in the summer reading challenge, organised by Leeds Library Service. As in previous years, children are challenged to read six books over the summer to win prizes and certificates. Sign up at Otley Library, or visit <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/> for more information.



**Goodbye and thank you** As we reach the end of another very successful year, we are saying a sad farewell to some of our colleagues. Miss Doran will be much missed from our Reception class, and we wish her every happiness with her baby, due at the end of September. We want to thank Miss Akam for all her wonderful teaching in Year 4, and wish her every success for the future. We are sad to be losing Mrs Timmins from the school office as she moves to the business manager post at Burley St Matthias School – good luck in your new role! Finally, we will be saying goodbye to Mr Robertson, our deputy head; starting with us 15 years ago as a teaching assistant, he has been a huge part of the school's success and good reputation over that time. We wish him every success in his new post as headteacher of Kirkstall Valley Primary School. Thank you to all our colleagues for all you have done for our school – we will miss you!



**Keep safe this summer!** Finally, a reminder of the dangers that traffic poses to our children – at all times, but perhaps particularly over the long summer break. I still see children from our school cycling without helmets and with little regard to moving vehicles, and I know that sometimes this is without parents' knowledge. Please keep safe over the summer, so that we see you back with us in one piece in September!

We will be breaking up for summer on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July** at normal time; please make sure all PE kits, musical instruments etc. have been collected before that time. The new term starts for pupils on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September.

Thank you again for all the support you give to your children and to the school. We wish you all a wonderful summer break.