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JULY 2021 NEWSLETTER PART 2 FOR PARENTS & CARERS



Dear Parents/Carers,

As we arrive at the last day of this academic year, I would like to share some additional news and information with you and also include a message for our wonderful Year 6 cohort who leave Ouston Primary School today.

As I have said many, many times this year (and last year!) we should all be so proud of our children for how they have managed the changes and challenges of this academic year. They have kept us going with their positivity, resilience and energy. They deserve a lovely Summer break and hopefully a more normal time ahead from September.

Thank you so much to all of our parents/carers for your fantastic support this year and working so well with us through all of the challenges. Many thanks also for all the kind words of appreciation, cards and gifts for our staff team, they are very much appreciated and I know you will join me in wishing all our staff team a happy Summer (and hopefully a bit of a rest!) after their hard work



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and commitment to our school this year.

For our parents/carers who are leaving us along with their Year 6 child, it has been lovely to work with you through the years; thank you for entrusting us with your child's education and care and we wish you and your family all the very best for the future.

I would like to wish all of you a happy and peaceful Summer and we look forward to seeing you all again in September, along with our new Reception and Nursery parents and those of new children joining classes across the school.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Lavelle

Celebration Afternoon and Goodbye to Year 6

We had a brilliant (and very warm!) afternoon today during our Year 6 Leavers Event. We enjoyed a fantastic Rock and Pop performance and gave out a number of Year 6 awards: the Spirit of Ouston Award went to Amelia Cole; Naomi Suggett received the Sporting Excellence Award, Ben Ligidinski received the Star Performer Award and Ben Ives and Ava Bennett both achieved Academic Excellence Awards. Each Year 6 member was presented with a novel they have read during their time in Year 6, as a gift from us at Ouston Primary and to remind them of their time here with us. We are very proud of all of Year 6 and wish them all the very best as they move to secondary schools in September where we know they will continue to demonstrate the spirit of Ouston Primary.

Organisation for September

From September, we will move from staggered start times back to our usual times. However, we will retain some of the organisation from this year to make these times of the school day flow as smoothly as possible. The organisation will be as follows:

Nursery and Reception Classes:

8.45 – Doors open for 15 minutes staggered start. Classes will use double doors in Nursery yard as entrance. A staff member will be at the gate directing them in.

3.15/3.20 – Home time. Staff will bring children out via the Nursery gate.

Year 1: 8.55am start/3.20pm finish

Parents/Carers to drop children off at the KS1 yard gate from 8.45 to 8.55am. The Class teacher will greet them on the yard. The class will line up at 8.55am and go into school.



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Parents/Carers wait at the KS1 fence at 3.20pm. The teacher will bring the class out and send over to parents/carers one at a time.

Year 2: 8.55am start/3.20pm finish

Parents/Carers to drop children off at the KS1 yard gate from 8.45 to 8.55am. The Class teacher will greet them on the yard. The class will line up at 8.55am and go into school.

Parents/Carers wait at the KS1 fence at 3.20pm. The teacher will bring the class out and send over to parents/carers one at a time.

Year 3: 8.55am start/3.30pm finish

Parents/Carers to drop children off at the KS1 yard gate from 8.45 to 8.55am. The Class teacher will greet them on the yard. The class will line up at 8.55am and go into school.

Parents/Carers wait at the KS1 fence at 3.30pm. The teacher will bring the class out and send over to parents/carers one at a time.

Year 4: 8.55am start/3.30pm finish

Children come to the KS2 yard (outdoor classroom side) from 8.45 to 8.55am. Their class teacher will be on the yard at this time. The class will line up at 8.55am and go into school.

Parents/Carers wait on the KS2 yard (outdoor classroom side) at 3.30pm. The teacher will bring the class out and send over to parents/carers one at a time.

Year 5: 8.55am start/3.30pm finish

Children come to the KS2 yard (outdoor classroom side) from 8.45 to 8.55am. Their class teachers will be on the yard at this time. The class will line up at 8.55am and go into school.

Parents/Carers wait on the KS2 yard (outdoor classroom side) at 3.30pm. The teacher will bring the class out and send over to parents/carers one at a time.

Year 6: 8.55am start/3.30pm finish

Children come down the steps from the KS2 yard and into the KS2 door that leads into their classroom from 8.45-8.55am. Their teacher will welcome them in at the door. If with them, parents/carers to say goodbye at the steps rather than coming to the door. Members of staff will be around on the first day to direct them in.

Parents/Carers wait on the KS2 yard (outdoor classroom side) at 3.30pm. The teacher will bring the class out and send over to parents/carers.



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School Uniform

Just a reminder before you buy some uniform items for the year ahead-

- No leggings please. Children must wear black school trousers or skirts
- Sensible, black school shoes
- No earrings to be worn in school. Have any ear piercing done at the beginning of holidays so these can be removed in time for the start of term.
- PE kits to be worn on PE days. As it has worked well this year, we will continue to ask children to come into school in PE kit on their allocated day. However, from September this must now be a white t-shirt and black shorts or leggings/jogging bottoms. We will let parents/carers know about PE days in the first week back.

Fun Run

This was such a lovely afternoon for those in school and gave us all a much need boost in the sunshine. Children enjoyed bouncing on space hoppers, doing star jumps, hooking ducks and a range of other fun activities along the route. All with loud Summer tunes playing! They then ended with a class Summer photo which I'm sure you all saw on Class Dojo.

Rights Respecting Schools Award – Silver Level

We are delighted to inform you that our school has been successful in achieving the Silver Level of this Award. The award certificate states that:

'Ouston Primary has a rights respecting ethos and is empowering the children and young people of this school'

Our Rights Respecting Team of pupils were excellent during the accreditation visit and spoke confidently and knowledgeably about the Rights of the Child. We were very proud of them!

Holiday Club Opening Dates

A reminder that our Holiday Club is open until Friday 30th July and then again from 25th August. Please ring the office to enquire about prices and to book a place.

Welcome to New School Year Meeting

These will take place on Monday 13th September from 5pm. This will start with a brief meeting with me in the hall then parents/carers will move to their child's classroom to meet their teacher, see the classroom and find out about organisation and information for the year ahead.



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Other Dates:

1st September: Teacher Training Day

2nd September: Children return to school

Please note that organisation for the first two weeks will be sent separately to parents/carers of our pupils in new Nursery/Reception classes.



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