

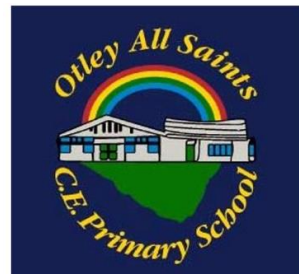
Otley All Saints CE Primary School

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Welcome back, it has been lovely to welcome all children and families back through our doors this week. I hope you have all had a restful and enjoyable Easter and I look forward to seeing you all throughout the next half-term.

Congratulations Felicity – Award for Excellence in Reading

Well done to Felicity Hastings, Yr3, for receiving the School Library Service (SLS) Award for Excellence in reading. Kirsty Fenn, Senior Librarian explained that *“Felicity’s love of reading shines through and the judges were very impressed with all the help that she gives to her friends when they are choosing books. We were particularly taken with her description of Daisy books giving her a joyful heart...that statement really captures the magic of reading. Felicity shows so much passion for reading when only in year 3 is something we wanted to recognise. Her passion as a Reading Ambassador, and how the role makes her ‘sparkle’ is something to be celebrated. Well done Felicity, you are a true Reading Champion and a credit to your school”*.



This half term, our core Christian value is:
Honesty



Diary Dates

Friday 19th April – Reception trip to Skipton Castle

Tuesday 23rd April - Next PTA meeting

Friday 26th April – Visit from Yr5 children at Bramley St Peter’s

Tuesday 7th May – Yr1 trip to Hesketh Farm

Monday 13th May – Thursday 16th May – KS2 SATs Week

Wednesday 22nd May – Library Transition Project meeting for Nursery parents – Miss Wilson, Mrs Steele.

Thursday 23rd May – Yr6 Bun Sale
Thursday 23rd May – Yr 3 trip tp Harlow Carr

Friday 24th May – School closes for half-term holiday

Monday 3rd June – School opens for Summer Term 2

Tuesday 11th June – Nursery children (attending Reception in Sept) to visit library with Mrs Steele.

Friday 14th June – Yr5 visit to Bramley St Peters Primary School

Saturday 15th June – Otley Carnival

Monday 17th June – Yr6 Leaver’s Photo

Saturday 22nd June – Library Transition visit for all new Reception children (starting Sept 24’)

Thursday 27th June – Reception bun sale.

Future Dates

Tuesday 2nd July – Drama Show (7 pm)

Wednesday 3rd July – Drama Shows (1:30 pm & 7 pm)

Wednesday 3rd July – Yr2 Trip to Nell Bank

Friday 5th July – Yr6 Transition Workshop

Friday 25th October – EYFS Training Day – [Nursery](#) and [Reception](#) will be [closed](#) for the day.

Otley Carnival, Saturday 15th June

Otley Carnival is returning for another amazing year and we are very proud that five of our children – Annie Griffin, Connie Doughty, Dixie McDougall, Martha Howarth, Ted Stoppard will be Carnival Stars. We are very grateful once again to Josie Booth for co-ordinating a school float to take part in the parade, and we hope that as many of our families as possible will want to participate. The theme for our float this year is ‘Mr Men & Little Miss’. More information will follow in due course, but for now please make sure you have the date in your diaries.



PTA 50:50 Club Congratulations to our recent winners – Ani Earney, 1st prize £86, and Claire Barton, 2nd prize £21.50. If you would like to be included in the draw, which raises money for PTA as well as offering the opportunity for a monthly pay out, please fill in a form at the school office.

Governors' Annual Survey of Parents' Views

Our parent survey went live on Tuesday after a few technical difficulties with the link; we apologise for this. Once again, we are offering a £20 Waitrose voucher via a prize draw. To enter, all you need to do is complete our school questionnaire, which can be accessed through this link: [Annual Survey](#). It should take less than ten minutes to complete. It really is important for us to know how you feel about what the school is doing well and where we can improve. If you think the school is doing a great job – please tell us! If you think there's somewhere we could be doing better, this is your chance to let us know and give us the chance to improve. Thank you in advance for your participation.

Bungalow closure for local elections

On Thursday 2nd May, our bungalow is in use as a polling station for the local council elections, and so the Breakfast Club and 456 Club that normally meet there will operate from the main hall for that day.

Guinea Pig Gallery

We had a great start to the week with Guinea Pig Club on Monday. All the children enjoyed holding, grooming, and stroking the guinea pigs and learned a great deal about their characteristics and care. If your child would like to meet the guinea pigs, please ask your child to mention it to their class teacher before Monday lunchtime each week. Arthur (Yr2), Nola (Yr2), Henry (Yr3), Amelia (Yr3), and Jemima (Yr4) had a lovely lunchtime with our school pets, despite the odd little nibble!



PTA (Parents Teachers Association)

We want to encourage as many parents as possible to attend our PTA annual general meeting on **Tuesday, 23rd April at 7.00 pm**. It's a great way to meet other parents and have a say in planning events and fundraising priorities. I hope to see you there!

Celebrating Achievement Assembly Our next Celebrating Achievement Assembly is on Wednesday, 1st May, when we share certificates, medals and news of any achievements of our pupils outside of school. Please encourage children to bring items to me starting Monday, 29th April.

Further Information – please see the attached documents for information regarding the following:

- 1) Junior Aquathlon – Leeds and Bradford Tri Club

Wishing all our All Saints families a wonderful weekend, enjoy your time together.

Best wishes,
Mrs Di Palma-Heath