

NEWSLETTER

DATE 18th September 2021



Upcoming Dates

Friday 17th September
FREE Book Friday-

Monday 4th October
Year 3 Fire Safety Talk

Friday 22nd October
Halloween Movie Night

Monday 25th October
October Half term

Monday 1st November
Return to School



Key Updates

We are excited to announce that we have been accredited the GOLD Quality Mark for Geography at OPA Darfield. A huge well done to Mr Simpson, our Geography Lead, and staff for embedding excellence and innovation throughout our curriculum.



Well done!

OPAD Celebrations

What a fantastic return to the school year so far. Children have been engaged and excited to be back in lessons.



Last week, we set up our lunchtime helpers. They have done a fantastic job to ensure lunchtimes run as smoothly as possible. They have been helping the younger children in the dinner hall. Well done, Year 6 helpers!



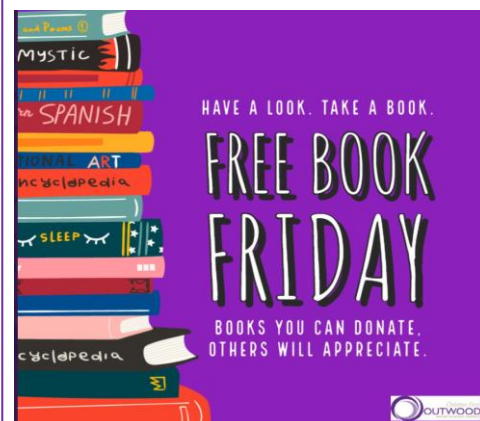
Thank You

Attendance

With many children having to take part in remote learning for periods of time last year, attendance has never been more important. This year, let's all aim for 100% attendance at all times. To celebrate children coming to school each day, we will be hosting a Halloween Movie Night on Friday 22nd October!



FREE BOOK FRIDAY



On Friday, we launched our Free Book Friday initiative; recycling books from across the academy to grow a love for reading. It was great to see so many children leaving school with a book. We would love to continue to host this event throughout the year so please continue to donate your unwanted, preloved books to school. Thank you!



After School Clubs

Why not take part in our new, exciting after school clubs?

Sports - KS2 Fridays 3.15-4.30

Gardening - KS2 Thursdays 3.15-4.30
More to come!

Class Twitter Accounts

Check out our new Twitter pages for this year. To access your child's class twitter account, please return the letter back to school as soon as possible. We would love for you to be a part of their learning journey this year!



Local Support Services

Barnsley Families Support Services <https://fsd.barnsley.gov.uk/kb5/barnsley/fisd/localoffer.page>

ICON (Baby crying support) - <https://iconcope.org/>

YoungMinds (Mental Health Support for child) - <https://youngminds.org.uk/>

Mind (Mental Health Support for adults) - www.mind.org.uk

Safeguarding Lead: Mr T Bower