



Old Town School News

8TH MAY 2026

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Year 6 Leavers Hoodies



Thank you to our FOOTS group for purchasing the Year 6 hoodies again this year! Our Year 6 cohort love them and were very excited about their arrival! We wish Year 6 the very best for SATS week next week. We know they have worked hard and that they will all do their absolute best!

Joint third place for Old Town Tigers netball team



Congratulations to our fantastic Year 6 Netball who came joint third in the recent HX7 Netball Festival. The girls showed great sportsmanship in all the games played.

Many thanks to parents for ordering super kits for the Old Town Tigers! The team looked very smart indeed!

Wadsworth Computing Coding!

The children in Wadsworth class created algorithms that took their space characters on a journey! The children had to create coding and used their debugging skills to make sure the algorithm was correct.



Maths Rockstars

Well done to our recent TTRockstars Award winners in Year 4. Pupils were presented with air guitars for their achievements of becoming Rock Stars or Rock Legends when answering times tables questions. The Rock Stars answered questions in under 3 seconds and the Rock Legends answered in an amazing time of under 2 seconds! Here they are celebrating with their best rock poses!





Birthday wishes for the month of May go to:

Ingrid, Luca, Tilly B, Finbar, Hazel, Bea T, Tilly M, Rory, Zac, Arcadio, William, Eira

We hope you have a lovely day!

Old Town Awards

Congratulations to pupils receiving awards over the past two weeks.

We are very proud to celebrate our award winners who have been working hard, have been kind and helped others. Well done!

Awards w/e 24.04.26

Wainsgate

Errol
Monty

Wadsworth

Esme, Lucia, Rosa and also Amelie
and Irah from Wainsgate
Pupil vote – Ezra

Chiserley/Crimsworth

Eryn
Pupil vote – Charlie

Awards w/e 01.05.26

Wainsgate

Amelie
Hallie

Wadsworth

Pupil vote – William
Leo

Chiserley/Crimsworth

Pupil vote – Nyree
Emilia
Emile



Drama Club

Drama Club were very excited to start their new play for this half term.

The group are rehearsing Middle School Brain. The play looks at all the different aspects of the main character's personality and how the aspects may us react in different situations.

FOOTS Page



Our FOOTS Team never seem to stop! On Bank Holiday Monday, a team were busy feeding the fell runners completing the Coiners Fell Race. Many thanks to the parents and friends of Old Town School who baked, served, barbecued and helped at the event. Your support is very much appreciated and helped to raise around £800 for school which is just amazing!

You will have also seen new equipment in our playground area. Many thanks to Jess, who completed a bid and bought new planters, play equipment, balance beam and a picnic table. You can see how much the pupils love them! Many thanks to Mike and Andy for fitting the equipment into the playground too!



Notices

- **May Celebrations – Friday 22nd May 2026**

You are warmly invited to our Maypole celebrations on Friday 22nd May at 2pm in the playground – weather permitting. This year our May King and Queen will be Ted and Amelie from Year 1 and their attendants will be Beau and Oaken from Reception. After the crowning, there will be various Maypole dances, and Crimsworth will be dancing with Longswords. We look forward to seeing you there!

- **Art Exhibition at Community Centre – 5th June**

We will be holding a whole school art exhibition at the Community Centre from 2.50pm on Friday 5th June. This is an opportunity for the children to show you the art they have been doing in school during the year. Once you have been to view the exhibition, you can take your child from the community centre (please speak to a staff member to let them know you are leaving). Any children left when the exhibition ends, will be walked back on to school for collection at 3.30pm.

- **Emergency Morning Closures**

On occasions we may not be able to open the school in the morning due to adverse weather, boiler problems, etc. If this should happen, we will text message all parents. We will endeavour to do this by 7.30am at the latest wherever possible. We will then post a notice on the school website. If in any doubt, look at the school website. As you may be aware, Sandy Gate leading to Walker Lane and the road up towards the Hare and hounds are often not gritted or ploughed, therefore, should there be severe snow or frost, the bus routes will be safest.

- **Reminder Regarding Water Bottles and Coats**

Please can we ask all parents to help their child to remember their coat every day. We try to play out whenever possible. Also, children need a leak proof water bottle with them every day. We have a small stock of bottles available for £2.50 or new lids for 50p. Please order on the School Money Shop.

- **Breakfast/Out of School Club Number**

Breakfast/Out of School Club telephone number for contacting them outside of the normal school day - 07759 240998.

- **YourSchoolLottery**

If you would like to sign up to the School Lottery which raises money for FOOTs, click on the following link:

<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk>

- **Ofsted Parent View**

If you would like to share your view of the school with Ofsted, please use the following link. <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

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- **Summer 1 After School Club Dates**

The dates below are the dates for the various after school activity clubs for Summer Term 1 2026.

Monday Yr2-6 **Sports Club** will run on Monday 13th, 20th, 27th April and 11th and 18th May. 5 weeks = **£20. Reduced to £16 following the cancellation of 23.03.26 club.**

Monday Yr1-6 **Gardening Club** will run on Monday 13th, 20th, 27th April and 11th and 18th May. 5 weeks = **£20.**

Thursday Yr1-6 **Art Club** will run on Thursday 16th, 23rd, 30th April and 7th, 14th and 21st May. 6 weeks = **£24.**

Friday Yr4-6 **Drama Club** will run on Friday 17th, 24th April, 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd May. 6 weeks = **£24.**

The payment will be added to School Money for the children who are currently attending. If your child doesn't want to continue, please reply to this email or pop into the office to let Mrs Turpin know and the payment will be removed.

- Please can we politely remind families that we are a nut-free school as we have pupils with nut allergies in school. Thank you.
- We kindly remind our whole school community to park considerately when parking around school. Please avoid parking on or near junctions, as this can block visibility for both drivers and pedestrians, making the area less safe for everyone— especially our pupils walking into school. Choosing safe and appropriate parking spaces, even if it means walking a short distance helps to keep our school community safe and accessible. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

FOOTS need you!

If you can offer any help at events please let us know.

- Sunday 4th October '26—FOOTS will be catering for the Castle Carr Fell Race at Wadsworth Community Centre
- Sunday 8th November '26—FOOTS will be taking part in the Wadsworth Walking Market

Reminders

Dates

Yr6 Transition Event (for those attending Calder High) – Monday 8th June
Yr5 Transition Event (all children) – Wednesday 10th June

Important Dates



- Monday 11th May—Thursday 14th May—KS2 SATS week
- Friday 22nd May—May Celebrations 2pm in school yard
- Friday 22nd May 3.30pm Close for May half term
- Tuesday 2nd June—School reopens after May half term
- Thursday 4th June - Chiserley/Crimsworth Visit to Royal Armouries

- Monday 8th June - Yr6 Transition Event (for those attending CHS)
- Wednesday 10th June- Wadsworth Visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
- Wednesday 10th June - Yr5 Transition Event (all children)
- Wednesday 10th June - New September Starters Parents' Meeting 7pm

- Thursday 18th June - Wainsgate Visit to Yorkshire Sculpture Park Friday 19th June—EYFS & KS1 Pyjama party
- Wednesday 8th July - Chiserley/Crimsworth Year End Performance 2pm and 6pm

- Friday 10th July—KS2 Sleepover
- Thursday 16th July—Award-winning children's author, Phil Earle visiting Yr4-6
- Thursday 16th July—Summer Disco at Wadsworth community centre
- Friday 17th July—3.30pm School closes for Summer Holidays