Pudsey Waterloo Primary School

Thursday 2nd April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our latest newsletter! We are currently doing a fantastic job of meeting our 96% weekly attendance target, and we want to thank you for your continued help with this. Please take a moment to review the important dates for the upcoming summer term. We wish all of our families a lovely Easter Break and will see you back at school on Monday April 20th.

British Science Week

In March we celebrated 'British Science Week' across school with each class taking part in science lessons linked to this year's theme of 'Curiosity: What's your question?'. Children learned about being curious in science, how to ask scientific questions and why that is so important. They also learned about different Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematic (STEM) careers where scientific questions are the starting point for scientific enquiries that can lead to interesting and exciting discoveries or inventions. Pupils were also fortunate to learn about STEM jobs in assemblies led by Ms Summers and Mr Bennett Stanley. The assemblies were very interesting and engaging for the pupils - thank you for giving up your time to come into school. We hope that pupils told adults at home about the different STEM jobs they had learned about that week!

Year 4 at Rodley Nature Reserve

Over the last few weeks, Year 4 pupils visited Rodley Nature Reserve, providing a fantastic link to our science unit on 'Living Things' which we will revisit next term. Both groups were incredibly lucky with the weather, and it was wonderful to see the children so engaged with their local environment and wildlife. After a morning nature walk, the children enjoyed bird watching, pond dipping, and a captivating talk about bees; the volunteers at Rodley were particularly impressed by the children's enthusiasm and exemplary behaviour while enjoying the great outdoors.

5RH Space Camp

We had another brilliant Space Camp sleepover last week with 5RH! All of the children were so excited by all of the fun space-themed activities we had planned. It was a little cloudy so they found it difficult to see a lot of stars but were able to go on a constellation hunt in the playground instead. In the school, they all passed their astronaut training by completing a set of exciting group challenges, like using jenga blocks to build a tall satellite tower. They also created a beautiful chalk artwork of the solar system, before enjoying some hot chocolate and biscuits whilst watching *Wall-E.* It was a fantastic night where lots of memories were made!

Decorative Egg Competition

Nursery - Winner: Harlow Boltwood, Runner up: Noor Siddiq

Reception - Winner: Adalyn Summers, Runner up: Sebastian Halliday

Year 1 - Winner: Finn Jackson, Runner up: Noah Harding

Year 2 - Winner: Alfie Childs, Runner up: Isabelle Farnham-Crossland

Year 3 - Winner: Faith McNair, Runner up: Amelia Summers

Year 4 - Winner: Sadie Norfolk, Runner up: Hattie Wilson

Year 5 - Winner: Jessica King, Runner up: Amelie Johnson

Year 6 - Winner: Emily Warcup, Runner up: Evelyn Rhodes

Summer Term Important Dates

Event	Date & Time
Y6 Trip to Malham	Tuesday 28th April
4BD Class Assembly	Wednesday 29th April, 9:00am
5RH Class Assembly	Wednesday 6th May, 9:00am
Year 1 Trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park	Friday 8th May
Y6 SATs Week	Monday 11th May - Thursday 14th May
Reception Farm Trip	Wednesday 13th May
Rec - Y3 Trip to William's Den	Monday 18th May
Y4-Y6 Mission Out Trip	Wednesday 20th May
5LP Class Assembly	Thursday 21st May, 9:00am
2JB Class Assembly	Wednesday 3rd of June, 9:00am
1SW Class Assembly	Wednesday 10th of June, 9:00am
Year 4 Trip to Leeds Industrial Museum	Thursday 11th June
2NB Class Assembly	Wednesday 17th of June, 9:00am
Y3 Leeds City Museum Trip	Wednesday 17th of June, 9:00am

Training Days for the 2025/26 Academic Year: Please mark your calendars for our upcoming training days:

- Monday, July 20th, 2026
- Tuesday, July 21st, 2026

Learners of the week

The following children have received a good worker award. Well done to....

	Friday 27th March	Thursday 2nd April
Nursery	Maria Ali Joey Pearce	Maeve Knowles
Reception	RJO - Emily Fisher RBM -Henry Graham	RJO - Harry Crane RBM - Rianna Balule
Year 1	1SW - Aviana Flisher-Beck 1ED- Hugh Darby	1SW- Brodie Storey-McNulty 1ED- Finn Jackson
Year 2	2NB - Harry McConnell 2JB- Connol Brewis	2NB - Evie Kirk 2JB - Harleen Kaur
Year 3	3CR - Poppy Weston 3PW- Eva Casling	3CR - Noah Rowling 3PW - Alan Pearson
Year 4	4BD - Reegan Walker 4KL - Archie Martin	4BD - Aisha Wahid 4KL - Teddy Crosland
Year 5	5RH - Theo Jepson 5LP - Esme Young	5RH - Lexi Wilson 5LP - Luca Garcia-Goodwin
Year 6	6NW - Max Morgan 6SW - Ethan Barnes	6NW - Hugo Lavin 6SW - Blake Braddock

Holiday Requests in Term Time

All holiday requests must be submitted to Mr White prior to going away on an 'Exceptional Circumstances Request Form' which can be collected from the school office or printed from Leeds City Council's website. Leave of absence will not be granted in term time unless there are reasons considered to be exceptional by the Headteacher. Across Owlcotes Trust we interpret exceptional to mean "very unusual, significant, unavoidable and short". By 'unavoidable' we mean an event that could not reasonably be scheduled at another time.

Pudsey Community Project

School uniforms are available to collect from a local run charity.
"Our Kids' Clothes provision aims to save people money and help the planet by reducing fabric waste and encouraging people to reuse clothes instead of buying new. We have an active Facebook page where we advertise some seasonal items and people can message us with requests for bags to be made up for them to collect. We work with The Leeds Uniform Exchange run by Zero Waste Leeds, running uniform stalls at the Leeds Breeze Events and participating in the Winter Coat Appeal." We donate any lost property at the end of the year to the project so there are always plenty of Waterloo colours available.
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