



# NEWSLETTER

DATE January 2019

Spring 1

## UP COMING DATES

- British Values Week wc: 11.01.19
- Year 6 Low Mill Residential Parent/ Carer presentation 15.01.19
- British Olympic Athlete (Laura Samuel) presentation 8/2/19
- Science Week wc: 18.03.19
- Spring Curriculum Talent Awards 03.04.19

## School Meal Ordering

To minimise time spent ordering meals in class, and to ensure your child receives a nutritious, hot meal we would kindly ask that you use the online system Feeding Hungry Minds, to order your child's meals from home:

<https://host.cypad.net/ISSEducationNorth/#no-back-button>

If you need any assistance either registering or using the system please speak to the school office.

## Teaching and Learning

Autumn 2 saw another eventful and productive half-term with several events occurring across school, including a gymnastics competition, our Curriculum Talent Awards (with invited dignitaries from across Ripon) and our Christmas nativity production to name but a few. This half term is already set to be another wonderful one with fantastic themes running across our year groups, all based on the topic title 'Discover'. The topic themes for each year group are:

**Nursery & Reception:** Stories from around the world

**Y1/2:** China

**Y2/3:** China

**Y4:** Saxons

**Y5:** Vikings

**Y6:** Polynesian cultures

We hope to *discover* fabulous work produced by the children this half term.

## Message from the Principal

Happy New Year to you all and welcome back to what is going to be a very exciting year at Outwood Primary Academy Greystone.

The staff continue to work exceptionally hard in providing the best education for your children and are very much looking forward to the year ahead. It is crucial for all members of the school family to be positive, upbeat and to share this within the community as you already do so well. I feel incredibly proud of the children and families at Greystone and the positive way in which we all continue to support our local community.

The children are rising to the challenges given with regards to academic work and behaviour expectations and are eager to gain as many rewards as possible; Superswirls, table points, attendance treats etc.

Children have only one chance at education and we believe that, as their teachers and role models, we must ensure their futures are successful, secure and happy and that their day-to-day experiences in school are filled with enjoyment, enthusiasm and new, exciting learning.

I wish you and your families, health and happiness for 2019.

Miss Victoria Kirkman

## Teacher Meetings

On some occasions, you may need to speak with Class Teachers. If so, we ask that any meetings are scheduled for before school (8:30am) or after school (3:15pm). As you are aware, everything at OPAG is about putting children and their learning first and so Class Teachers will not be released for meetings during the school day.

Thank you for your support with this.

## Parent Pay

Please ensure that your Parent Pay balance remains **in credit** at all times. Any outstanding payments must be paid **immediately** to ensure no further action is taken. If you have any issues please speak with Mrs Spedding in the school office.

## OPAG Gallery



Nursery



Reception



Year 1/2



Year 2/3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6