



NEWSLETTER

DATE February 2024 Outwood Primary Academy Lofthouse Gate

UP COMING DATES

Thursday 7th March

World Book Day

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Lofthouse Reading Festival

Friday 8th March

Careers event linked to our Diploma

Friday 15th March

Red Nose Day

Friday 22nd March

Academy closes for the Easter holidays.

Please see our website for this year and next year's term dates and INSET days:

<https://www.lofthousegate.outwood.com/term-dates-and-closures>

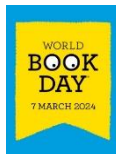
Kings Camp

All children from Reception to Year 6 enjoyed an Active Play Session with Kings Camp. They delivered fun and active sessions that aim to bring out the best in every child and 'empower young minds'. A huge thank you to the parent who nominated us to receive these sessions for free!



World Book Day

We are looking forward to celebrating a love of reading (as always)! The Reading Ambassadors have been busy planning different activities to celebrate.



Everybody is invited to dress up as a book character on Thursday 7th March. We can't wait to see your wonderful costumes. The front cover competition entries are to be brought in by Tuesday 5th March and the Book Bakes need to be in on Thursday 7th March. Our Reading Ambassadors are excited to see everybody's efforts and judge the winners! Please see the letters emailed out [here](#) and [here](#) for further details.

Lofthouse Reading Festival

We are extremely excited to share with you the news of our very first 'Lofthouse Reading Festival'. During this event, the children will be able to explore different activities linked to books and reading. Please join us on 7th March from 3.30pm.

The FIRST EVER Lofthouse Reading Festival, being opened by the Deputy Mayor of Wakefield...

Tombola	LOFTHOUSE READING FESTIVAL		Refreshments
Osborne travelling book fayre - card only!	Graphic Novels with Mr McGarry	Poetry with Claire Smith	
Phonics games with FRED	Story Crafts	Stories through music and drama	
Performing arts with CR&TIVE Dance	Local library workshops	Darling Reads Book Shop	

Plus many more exciting experiences! Be sure to join us!

IQM Network Meeting

We had the pleasure of hosting the Spring IQM Network Meeting where we shared the work we do to support all children at OPA Lofthouse Gate. Our main focus was attendance and our 'Time to ...' lessons.



As well as observing our 'Time to ...' lessons in action, they met with members of our School Parliament, Reading Ambassadors and Mental Health and Wellbeing Champions. They shared all of the amazing work they do both within the Academy and the community.



Careers Event

As part of our Diploma work, the children will be taking part in a careers event on Friday 8th March, 1.30-3pm. During this event, our children will get the chance to talk to a variety of professionals and find out more about their jobs and ask any questions they have.

We would love to involve our families and communities in this. If you or someone you know would like to be part of our careers event and talk to the children about your career, please use the Google Form below to register your interest.

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