

13th May 2022

FRIDAY NEWS

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Message from Mrs Pearson

Firstly, I would just like to say a huge well done to all our year 6 children who, this week, sat their SATs. All the children coped admirably and tried their very best. In fact, some children were quite excited about taking their mathematics arithmetic test. Thank you to Mrs Harrison and Mrs Cadman for all their hard work with children, and for coming into school early and organising a daily special SATs Breakfast Treat for year 6.

Next week children in Year 2 will be sitting their SATs, again, whilst this can be a worrying time for children, we would like to reassure parents/carers that as a school we are doing everything possible to support children and ensure that children are aware that these national compulsory tests are nothing to worry about.

Following on from last weeks Friday News I have sent home more information about wearing jewellery during PE lessons. I would just like to thank those parents who have got in touch supporting the school's policy.

This week, I made the decision to review and re-arrange this year's residential visit for children in years 4 and 5. This was not an easy decision to make, but a necessary one when taking into account staffing ratios and the size of the group that would be taking part in the residential visit to Keswick. Earlier today I spoke to children about the new residential arrangements – it would be fair to say that children are equally excited and looking forward to their new residential at Carlton Lodge Outdoor Centre! Again, more information has been sent home under separate cover. Children in Year 6 will be going to Keswick as originally planned. Please accept my apologies for any inconvenience caused by re-arranging this residential at such short notice, I was simply not prepared to run a residential that I considered potentially un-safe for both members of staff and children.

Again, on the topic of safety, earlier this week an Online Safety Newsletter was shared with parents/carers together with a Guide to Parental Controls leaflet. The leaflet includes lots of helpful information on numerous operating systems, internet providers and gaming. If you did not receive this information via e-mail, or if you would like a paper copy of the articles, please contact Sally in the School Office.

On Wednesday this week, children in years 4 and 5

joined Waterstones for a fun online author event with Hannah Gold (author of *The Last Bear* and *The Lost Whale*). Class 4 are currently enjoying reading the *Last Bear*. Hannah talked about her inspiration for her writing and encouraged children not to put limits on their dreams, to keep trying and to work hard. As part of the event children also enjoyed an interactive quiz and a question and answer session where children were encouraged to think about climate change and the actions that can be taken to make a difference.

It seems a while ago now, but at the Parent Interviews held in March, parents/carers were asked to complete an anonymous questionnaire; I would like to take the opportunity to share some of the feedback from the questions.

Out of all the responses 100% of parents/carers agreed that children were HAPPY at Bentham C P School, with 95% of parents/carers stating that children also felt SAFE. Again, a high percentage of parents/carers agreed that behaviour at the school was good. Very few parents/carers had experienced 'bullying' of their child at school, and in instances where bullying had been suspected, this had been dealt with both quickly and effectively.

One aspect of the questionnaire highlighted that the Leadership and Management Team needed to re-visit communication with parents/carers. Whilst the majority of parents were happy that school provided information about children's learning, expectations of children, and information about children's progress, a small percentage of parents felt that this area could be improved (around 6%). Whilst no excuse, Covid has had a significant impact on parental engagement. Moving forwards, I am hoping to once again get parents/carers 'back into school' and more actively involved with their children's learning and school activities.

However, it was wonderful to see that around 93% of parents/carers would recommend Bentham C P School to another parent. Thank you. (the other 7% of parents/carers did not respond to this question).

Thank you also to those parents/carers who provided additional feedback in the comments box. Both responses to questions and additional comments will be discussed in more detail at the next Governors' Meeting.

This week, I have received information from North

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Yorkshire County Caterers that Menus will start to include a new 'symbol' system for allergens – making it easier for parents to identify meal choices that might not be suitable for their child. If you would like a copy of the Summer Term Menu, including new allergen information, then please speak to Sally in the School Office.

On the 27th May, we are inviting all children in all classes to join in with a celebratory 'Royal Tea Party'. On the menu will be a selection of homemade sandwiches, cheese straws, homemade sausage rolls, and a selection of vegetable sticks. For dessert children can choose from a Celebration Cupcake, fresh fruit or yoghurt. There is no need to pre-order, this Royal Celebratory meal can be ordered during registration on the day.

Also on the 27th May, children in Reception will be taking part in 'Pedal and Scoot' sessions. These sessions are aimed at either teaching children to balance on a cycle or to improve their cycling skills – more information has been sent home to parents/carers of children in Reception.

Finally, looking at the weather forecast, it looks like we will all be able to enjoy some glorious weather over the weekend..... I hope everyone manages to get outside and enjoy some sunshine safely, I know that I will be getting out and about and enjoying some family time.

Mrs Pearson
Headteacher

School Health Team

On Monday 16th May, the School Health Team will be visiting school to undertake Height and Weight Checks for children in Reception and Year 6. Information about these checks has already been e-mailed home to parents/carers. Please remember if you would like to **withdraw** your child from this National Measurement Programme then you need to contact 0300 3030916 (hdft.nyorksdton@nhs.net). If you are happy for your child to take part there is no need to do anything.

Coach Mark Gunn

Coach Gunn's every popular school holiday 'camp' will once again be taking place on Monday 30th May 2022. More information has been sent home with children, but details can also be found at <https://www.facebook.com/events/411330804133891>.

Alternatively, contact Coach Gunn directly on 07912 178917 or coachmarkgunn@gmail.com.

Skipton Cricket Club

We have been sent some information about some exciting opportunities that Skipton Cricket Club have on offer, including Dynamos Cricket, June Half Term Cricket Camps and Women's Cricket. For more information please see attached leaflets.

PE Days

Nursery:	Thursday (AM)
Class 1 :	Tuesday/Friday : PM
Class 2 :	Tuesday/Wednesday
Class 3 :	Tuesday/Friday
Class 4 :	Tuesday/Thursday
Class 5 :	Tuesday/Thursday

Dates for your Diary

Monday 16th May 2022

Cheese and Tomato Pasta Bake
Summer Vegetable Frittata
Jacket Potato
1.00pm Height and Weight Checks R/Yr6

Tuesday 17th May 2022

Chicken Wrap
Tortilla Chips with Roast Veg and Cheese
Jacket Potato

Guitar Lessons (Mr S Redfern)

3.30pm – 4.20pm After School Basketball Club (Years 2/3)

Wednesday 18th May 2022

Cottage Pie
Quorn and Lentil Cottage Pie
Jacket Potato

Thursday 19th May 2022

Battered Fish
Cheese, Spinach and Potato Bake
Jacket Potato
5.30pm Governors' Meeting

Friday 20th May 2022

Sausage in a Bun
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Cereals Cont. Gluten Found in: some baking powders, batter, breadcrumbs, bread, cakes, pasta, pastry, sauces, soups.	Molluscs Found in: mussels, land snail, squid and whelks. It is often found in oyster sauce or as an ingredient in fish sauce.
Crustaceans Found in: Shellfish and scampi. Also found in shrimp paste used in Thai curries or salads.	Nuts Found in: breads, biscuits, crackers, desserts, ice cream, marzipan, nut oils and sauces, Curries, sauces.
Eggs Found in: cakes, some meat products, mayonnaise, mousses, pasta, quiche, sauces and foods brushed or glazed with egg.	Peanuts Found in: biscuits, cakes, curries, desserts and sauces such as for satay. It is also found in groundnut oil and peanut flour.
Fish Found in: fish sauces, pizzas, nishers, salad dressings, stock cubes and in Worcestershire sauce.	Sesame Seeds Found in: bread, breadsticks, hummous, sesame oil and salt (sesame paste).
Milk Found in: butter, cheese, cream, milk powders and yoghurt, foods glazed with milk, powdered soups and sauces.	Soya Found in: soya flour or tofu, desserts, ice cream, meat products, sauces and vegetable products.
Lupin Found in: lupin seeds and flour, and can be found in some types of bread, pastries and pasta.	Sulphur Dioxide Found in: preservative in dried fruit, meat products, soft drink and vegetables.

NYES Catering