

15th July 2022

FRIDAY NEWS

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Message from Mrs Pearson and Mrs McGregor

Firstly, apologies and thank you! Apologies for any inconvenience caused by the school having to close access to the playground via the school hall earlier this week. Unfortunately, some brickwork became insecure, requiring immediate remedial action... and thank you – thank you to everyone for their patience and understanding.

Earlier this week children in years 4 and 5 thoroughly enjoyed their residential visit to Carlton Lodge Outdoor Centre. Children took part in lots of activities including kayaking, archery, high ropes and much more..... remarkably, it even managed to rain in Thirsk (more specifically Carlton Miniott) whilst the rest of the country were basking in a heatwave! Thank you to Mrs Cryer, Mrs Harrison, Miss Wilson, Miss Brown and Mr Edmondson for accompanying children and for all their hard work.

Children in Year 6 all took part in a Science Fair at South Craven Secondary School on Wednesday 13th July. Children were amazed at all the Science and also very proud to exhibit their scientific investigations!

Our eagerly awaited 'snakes and ladders' playground marking was installed on Monday morning – this has been a very welcome addition to children's playtime games and adventures! Thank you to Mrs Duckett and the School Council for fundraising and organising our new playground addition!

Later today school reports will be coming home with children together with information about next year's class structure and class teachers. It would be very much appreciated if parents/carers could complete and return the comments box provided on the accompanying letter and return this to school. Thank you. Please remember that if you need second copies of reports to let Sally in the School Office know.

Also going home with children who are in classes 1,2,3,4, and 5 today is the Department for Education's commemorative 'Platinum Jubilee Celebration' book "Queen Elizabeth".

As I am sure parents/carers will be more than aware, next week is the final week of this academic year! On Friday 22nd we will be saying a fond farewell to Mr Hogg, Miss Wilson and Mrs Meyerhoff. Mr Hogg and Miss

Wilson will be continuing with their teaching careers, whilst Mrs Meyerhoff leaves us to start a family.

Wednesday 20th July will also be Miss Richardson's last day at school for a while. Miss Richardson will be starting her maternity leave over the summer holidays when baby number two is due. We are all very much looking forward to news of the new arrival and would like to wish Miss Richardson, her Partner and little girl, Lily the very best as they welcome their new arrival into their family.

Next week, on Wednesday 20th, children in Class 3 will be visiting Williamson's Park and Butterfly House, supporting learning in class. If you have not already done so, can you please make payment, via Parentpay, for this visit. Unfortunately, if not enough parents/carers are willing to make a contribution then this trip will have to be cancelled at short notice. Thank you.

This year we are absolutely delighted to be able to once again hold our annual 'Leavers Assembly' here at the school and not via Zoom! On Friday 22nd July parents/carers of children in Year 6 are invited to join children from 10.00am in the School Hall. As is usually the case, please bring a good supply of tissues as we celebrate children's time here at Bentham Community Primary School. Parents/carers should enter the school via the main reception door. There will be refreshments available after the assembly.

It is also rumoured that the 'Staff -v- Year 6' Rounders Match will once again be taking place..... something for both children and staff to look forward to?

Also on Friday 22nd July, please remember that all children in all classes are invited to join a celebration end of term 'Bye Bye BBQ'. On the menu, Beef Burger or Veggie Burger in a Homemade Bun, Roasted Garlic Potatoes, Coleslaw and Salad, Chocolate Orange Mousse with Shortbread, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt. Meals are priced at £2.10 per child in Nursery, FREE for all children in Reception, years 1 and 2 and £2.55 per meal for children in years 3,4,5 and 6. Meals are also free for those children eligible for Free School Meals. Please note that this will mean a menu change for Monday 18th July.

Finally, and by way of a reminder, school closes at 1.30pm on the last day of term. **Can parents/carers please ensure that ALL Parentpay accounts are up-to-**

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date. This is especially important for parents/carers of children in year 6.

Have a lovely weekend, remember to pack sun-hats, apply sun-cream and bring water bottles to school next week as the heatwave is forecast to continue.

Mrs C Pearson and Mrs A McGregor
Headteacher and Co-Headteacher

Breakfast and After School Club : Academic Year 22/23

As we move towards the end of this academic year, we are already busy planning next academic year! We are asking parents/carers to let Sally in the School Office know what Breakfast and After School Club provision they would like to secure as from September 2022. Please e-mail Sally (admin@bentham.n-yorks.sch.uk) with details of sessions you would like to book. Thank you.

BENTHAM BONFIRE COMMITTEE School have been contacted by former Governor, Miss Wendy Dowbiggin on behalf of the Bentham Bonfire Committee. Wendy, along with other Committee members are busy organising this year's Bentham Bonfire which is currently being planned for the last Saturday in October. To help raise all important funds for this community event, a coffee morning is being held at the Town Hall on Saturday 23rd July from 10.00am. Please do go along and support Wendy and her colleagues. Any donations of cakes and biscuits would also be very much appreciated!

FREE SCHOOL MEALS Are you missing out? NYCC have recently launched a new and improved Free School Meal Application process. As more and more families face financial hardship as the cost of living increases, it is more essential than ever that every family that is eligible for Free School Meals completes a claim. The application process has now been made even easier, and can be accessed electronically via the Synergy Parent Portal. Following completion of an application, within minutes applicants will receive an instant decision on whether their application has been successful. For more information, please see the information sheet attached to this Newsletter or, alternatively, contact Sally in the School Office.

Coach Mark Gunn : Multi Sports and Activity Days

Can we please remind parents/carers that if they are interested in their children taking part in Coach Mark Gunn's Summer Holiday Activities they need to contact

Coach Mark Gunn directly on 07912 178917 or coachmarkgunn@gmail.com. These activities are not organised by the school so any questions need to be directed to Coach Mark Gunn. Thank you.

PE Days

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

Dates for your Diary

Monday 18th July 2022

Fish Fingers
Cheese and Onion Pastry
Jacket Potato

Tuesday 19th July 2022

Quorn Tikka Masala
Sticky Noodle Pot
Jacket Potato
3.30pm – 4.20pm After School Basketball Club (Years 2/3)

Wednesday 20th July 2022

Roast Chicken
Stuffed Courgettes
Jacket Potato

Thursday 21st July 2022

Pork Sausage Roll
Summer Vegetable Quiche
Jacket Potato

Friday 22nd July 2022

Beef Burger in a Bun
Veggie Burger in a Bun
Jacket Potato
SCHOOL CLOSSES 1.30PM

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Week 3 8 August - 12 August
Week 4 15 August - 19 August
Week 5 22 August - 26 August
Week 6 30 August - 2 September

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Apply for free school meals online

If you would like to apply for free school meals for your child, simply login to your [Synergy Parent Portal account](#) and follow the process outlined below.

If you have previously applied for school admissions or funding for your two year old you will most likely already have an account. If not, you can easily [create an account here](#).

- STEP 1**
Enter your National Insurance Number/National Asylum Support Service (NASS) number and date of birth.
- STEP 2**
Select the child(ren) you wish to apply for. If you have previously applied for a school place for your child they will already appear on the dropdown list. If your child does not appear automatically, they can easily be added by entering their forename, surname, date of birth and gender.
- STEP 3**
Attach any supporting documentation, if necessary, this could include documents such as a copy of your Universal Credit statement.
- STEP 4**
A message will then be displayed stating that we will be in touch with confirmation details. The school(s) at which your child(ren) attends will be notified as soon as the application has been fully processed by our team (5 working days). Your child(ren) can then begin enjoying free school meals once the school has received this notification.

If your application is unsuccessful you can then move to a further screen to find out why this may be the case.

If you need help or wish to discuss your application please contact us:
Phone: 01609 533 405
Email: schoolwelfare@northyorks.gov.uk



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