Message from Mr Hiley

We have made it through another half term! As I am sure everyone will be aware next week is the February half term holiday. I hope that everyone gets a well-deserved rest, re-charges their batteries and enjoys some family time. I also hope that the weather improves from this week!

On Wednesday this week, children all took part in a World Religion afternoon, engaging in activities in their 'House Groups', it was lovely to see older children looking after their younger friends. Thank you to Mrs McGregor for organising this educational afternoon, and for securing visitors, Imran Kotwal who showed children beautiful artifacts that all had a link to Islam and Roop Singh who used his story telling skills to entrance children in Sikh tales. Mrs Cadman and Mr Hogg introduced Buddhism to children using Origami and Mosaic. Mrs Harrison and Miss Wilson inspired children with Hindu dancing and artwork.

School will re-open on Monday 28th February 2022. As previously mentioned, we will be welcoming Miss Richardson (not Mrs Richardson in Nursery), back from Maternity Leave. Miss Richardson will be teaching children in Class 2 alongside Miss Wilson.

Also, on Monday 28th February, we will start selling 'Red Noses' to help fundraise for Comic Relief. Red Noses can be purchased from the School Office. This year they are priced at £1.50 each and are, apparently, the wildest bunch yet with a Lesser Spotted Rare Nose and a Colourful Chameleon waiting to be found by some lucky person!

This year we will once again be supporting fundraising for 'Rock your Socks' day on 21st March 2022. All monies raised donated to supporting children with Down Syndrome. More information about this fundraising opportunity to follow.

Coach Mark Gun will be delivering a Multi Sports Camp and Activity Day here at the school on the 22nd February. For more information, or to secure a place for your child, please contact Coach Mark Gunn directly at coachmarkgunn@gmail.com. Telephone: 07912 178917.

Last week our new Summer Term Menu was sent home with children. If your child will be taking a school lunch from April 2022 please can parents complete and return children's meal choices by 28th March 2022.

On Thursday 3rd March we are inviting all children in all classes to join in celebrating 'World Book Day'. Mrs Cryer is busy organising some exciting activities for children.... More information will be sent home with children. On Friday 4th March there will be a celebratory 'World Book Day' lunch! Again, all children in all classes are invited to join in with this celebratory lunch! On the menu...

Positivit	y			Pizza
Marvellous		Mackesy	(Мас	Cheese)
You	Can	Do	It Dice	d Potatoes
Peas	and			Sweetcorn
Mole	Mud	Muffins	(Chocolo	ate Muffins)
Fresh		Fruit	or	Yoghurt
There is no need to pre-order, meals can be ordered on				
the day during registration. Meals are priced at £2.10 per $$				
child in Nursery, FREE for ALL children in reception, years				
1 and 2 and £2.55 for children in years 3,4,5 and 6. Meals				
are also FREE for those children who are eligible for Free				

On the 2nd March, there will be a meeting at 5.30pm in the School Hall for parents of children in classes 1 and 2. This meeting will be led by Mrs Cryer and is to introduce the school's new phonics programme and explain how parents can help support their child's learning. More information about this exciting new programme will be sent home with children by Mrs Cryer.

School Meals. Payment should be made via Parentpay.

To support children's learning and topic work based on WWII on Friday 4th March representatives from the Dales Countryside Museum will be in school working with children in Class 5. This educational workshop will give children a deeper knowledge and understanding about WWII, and also the opportunity to see for themselves some genuine artifacts that survived this terrible World War.

On the 9th March PCSO Ruth Pearson will be in school talking to children in Year 6 about the 'No more Knives or County Lines' campaign.

As previously reported, Mrs Harrison's NSPCC Number Day was a calculated success! Thank you to Mrs Harrison for once again organising this event. We managed to raise an astounding £166.50 for the NSPCC! The lucky winner of the 'Guess the lowest Number Game' also received a cash prize! Well done for guessing the lowest number which, this year, was 28!

Also this week, Mrs Nelson forwarded all the monies raised from last year's Christmas Jumper Day to 'Mind Lancashire'. Thank you, as always, for everyone's fundraising efforts, we managed to raise an amazing £100.65.

Skipton Tennis Centre have sent school some information about some FREE Tennis and Multi-sport sessions that will be taking place at Sandylands Sports Hall in Skipton. Sessions are open to children aged 3-5. For more information please contact HomeStart Craven on 07585 232014 or see the leaflet attached to this edition of the Friday News.

If you were unable to attend the Class 4 and 5 Residential meeting earlier this week, information from the meeting has been sent home with children today, including a video link for YHA Keswick. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R-VnHjWjAZc

Have a wonderful half term break, stay safe. See everyone back at school, ready for learning on Monday 28th February 2022.

Mr T Hiley

Interim Headteacher

Vacancies at Bentham C P School

We currently have a vacancy for an enthusiastic, friendly and approachable Midday Supervisor. This post is for FIVE hours per week, term-time only. For more information, please contact Sally in the School Office.

Return of Baby and Toddler Group

of Bentham School are once again offering a @Covid secure' Baby and Toddler Group session, every Friday, term-time only in the School Hall. The next session will

be on Friday 4th March 2022 from 9.30am until 11.00am. If you have a pre-school aged child, then please do pop along to this friendly informal group – we look forward to seeing you!

<u>FOBS</u> Would you like to be involved with helping to fundraise for the school? No matter how big or small your commitment, every little bit of support helps; please remember that all monies raised helps all children in all classes. On Tuesday 15th March at 3.30pm there will be an Annual General Meeting of the FOBS in the Music Room. Please do come along, share any ideas you might have and join in with this friendly fundraising group! Thank

PE Days

Nursery: Thursday (AM)

Class 1: Tuesday/Friday: PM (including Nursery

children who stay for afternoon sessions)

Class 2 : Tuesday/Wednesday
Class 3 : Monday/Tuesday
Class 4 : Monday/Tuesday

Class 5: Monday/Tuesday

REMINDER Breakfast Club and After School Club

Breakfast Club runs EVERY weekday morning from 8.00am to 9.00am and is available for children in Reception to Year 6 inclusive. Full sessions run from 8.00am to 9.00am and are priced at £4.00 per child, per day, including breakfast and refreshments. Half sessions run from 8.20am to 9.00am and are priced at £2.00 per day per child, including refreshments.

After School Club runs Monday to Thursday, term-time only from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and is priced at £3.00 per session, per child. Places at both clubs need to be pre-booked via the School Office. (admin@bentham.n-yorks.sch.uk).

Dates for your Diary

Monday 28th February 2022

Pasta Bolognaise Loaded Potato Skins Jacket Potato Tuesday 1st March 2022

Chicken and Vegetable Pie Veggie Pasta in Tomato Sauce

Guitar MUSIC LESSONS (Mr S Redfern)

3.30pm - 4.20pm After School Basketball Club

Wednesday 2nd March 2022

Roast Pork Red Dragon Pie Jacket Potato

5.30pm Phonics Meeting (parents of children in Classes 1 and 2).

Thursday 3rd March 2022 WORLD BOOK DAY

Crunchy Breaded Salmon Cheese and Leek Roll Jacket Potato

Friday 4th March 2022 MENU CHANGE WORLD BOOK DAY CELEBRATION LUNCH

WWII Workshop: Class 5

Positivity Pizza Marvellous Mackesy Jacket Potato

9.30am – 11.00am Baby and Toddler Group in the School Hall

NYCC Music Service Singing Lessons

Useful Addresses

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/coronavirus-in-children/

https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/free-school-meals

https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/jobs-and-careers

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