

29th April 2022

# FRIDAY NEWS

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## Message from Mrs Pearson

Firstly I would like to welcome everyone back from the Easter Holidays, including those new children and families who have joined us across the school years and in Nursery. For some of our younger children joining Nursery, this will be their very first week at 'big school'. It has been lovely to welcome you all into our school and we hope it is the start of a successful journey with us.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to Mrs Meyerhoff who will be teaching children in Nursery throughout the Summer term. If you see Mrs Meyerhoff, please do stop and say hello.

It seemed very strange to be back in school on Tuesday this week, having thoroughly enjoyed my maternity leave. I feel very lucky to have been able to have a full year at home with my daughter but equally strange to be away from school for so long, so it was with both a little bit of sadness, and excitement that I returned to school this week. I have enjoyed seeing lots of familiar faces on the playground at the beginning and end of each day but there are also lots of new parents who I have not yet met. Please do stop and say hello if you can. Each morning I aim to be stood towards the Key Stage 2 side of the playground (near the hall) and on an afternoon I will be closer to the car park near the Key Stage 1 and Early Years classrooms. On Tuesday I welcomed all the children back in a whole school assembly and it was the first time I have been able to do this, in the hall, all together since the start of March 2020. As the children filed into the hall it became clear how much our school has grown in this time and how many new children have started school in the last year. I have a lot of new names to learn. I am very much aware that parents have not been able to come into school as often as you would like due to the Covid pandemic and I hope to be able to change this before the end of the term. I plan to hold some Parent/Carer 'Air and Share' meetings where you can come and have a tea/coffee and maybe some cake and talk to me about what you like about our school but also make suggestions for the future. I also plan to enable parents/carers to come into school, look around and see your children's learning as I realise that for many parents, you have not been able to do this.

Many thanks to all those parents who have welcomed me back and stopped to chat to me. It is lovely to see you all again.

Coach Gunn's Multi Sports Camp and Activity Days that were held here at the school over the Easter Holidays were as popular as ever! It was lovely to see so many children engaged in fun sporting activities. Coach Gunn has remarked to me about the positive behaviour of all the children who took part. The next school holiday 'camp' will be taking place on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022. More information will be 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](mailto:coachmarkgunn@gmail.com). Attached to this newsletter are a few lovely pictures taken by Coach Mark Gunn at the Activity Day.

As from next Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022, After School Basketball Club will once again be taking place between 3.30pm and 4.20pm. This term, places are being offered to children in years 2 and 3 only. If there are spaces left, these will be offered to children in years 4,5 and 6. More information has been sent home with children in book bags.

This week Pupil Progress Reports are being sent home with children. Please remember to take into consideration the amount of time that children have been out of school over the past couple of years due to the Covid pandemic. All our children adapted to home learning magnificently, and are all trying their very hardest to catch up. Please be reassured that staff are continually working and striving to ensure that children reach their full potential and that any gaps in learning are quickly identified and resolved. If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's Class Teacher.

Finally, please remember that school will be CLOSED on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 for May Bank Holiday. I hope everyone enjoys the long weekend, hopefully the weather will be kind and many mini-adventures enjoyed!

Mrs C Pearson  
Headteacher

## Curriculum Drivers

Did know there is information on our website about our school curriculum, what our curriculum drivers are as well as an over-view of what children learn each year? Please visit [www.benthamcpschool.org.uk](http://www.benthamcpschool.org.uk) 'Learning' and look under 'Curriculum'. If you have any difficulty

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accessing this information, please let the school know we are always happy to help.

## **Baby and Toddler Group**

Don't forget about our Baby and Toddler Group session, every Friday, term-time only in the School Hall. The next session takes place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022. from 9.30am to 11.00am in the School Hall.

## **REMINDER:**

Year 6 SATS tests will take place during the week commencing 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022. Can parents/carers please ensure that children are in school during this week and avoid taking time off. Thank you.

## **Pop-Up Pantry**

The Pop-up Pantry in Bentham is open at the Methodist Church every Wednesday 10.00am to 12.00 mid/day. Please bring any food items you might have spare, and take away any food items you might require! If you are struggling for groceries, then there is no need to 'bring' any food, but you are welcome to collect some provisions. Everyone is welcome, deliveries of food parcels can be arranged in special circumstances, text or call 07942 364606.

## **Uniform and Leisure Company**

The Uniform and Leisurewear Company have launched a new link for their website where parents can order School Uniform from :

<https://www.ualonline.co.uk/>

Alternatively, why not visit one of the companies shops, the closest are based at :

60 Euston Road, Morecambe, Lancs. LA4 5NR

15 Common Garden Street, Lancaster. LA1 1XD

## **Settle Swimming Pool**

Settle Swimming Pool are asking for members of the public to 'have their say' about shaping the future of swimming sessions at Settle Pool. For more information, or to complete Settle Pool's Survey, please see the attached information leaflet. Thank you.

## **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 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022**

**SCHOOL CLOSED : BANK HOLIDAY**

### **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022**

**School Re-opens**

Crunchy Fish Bites

Macaroni Cheese

Jacket Potato

**Guitar Lessons (Mr S Redfern)**

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

### **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

Roast Pork

Mixed Bean Pitta Pocket

Jacket Potato

### **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

Chicken Korma

Vegetable Korma

Jacket Potato

### **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

Margherita Pizza

Roasted Vegetable Pasta

Jacket Potato

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

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## Useful Addresses

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

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




## SETTLE AREA SWIMMING POOL

**Have YOUR say and help shape the future of sessions at Settle Pool and its new facilities.**

Our aims are to provide facilities for all ages and abilities and to improve the health and well-being of the local community and visitors to the area. Please complete our survey to let us know which sessions and activities you would like to see. This will help our planning.

Scan the QR code  
 Link to Survey <https://www.surveylegend.com/s/3xi7>

**Need our survey in a different format?**

Contact [info@settlewimmingpool.co.uk](mailto:info@settlewimmingpool.co.uk) and we will send you a hard copy or complete it with you over the phone.

*Paper copies may be sent by post or hand delivered to:*

- Bentham ..... Golf Club, Robin Lane, Bentham, Lancaster, LA2 7AG.
- Clapham ..... Clapham Village Store, Main Street, Clapham, LA2 8DP. (Attn: Iain Crossley)
- Hellfield ..... Foxdale, 8 Park Avenue, Hellfield, Skipton, BD23 4EZ.
- Ingleton ..... 1 Beech Terrace, Tatterthorn Road, Ingleton, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA6 3HT.
- Long Preston... Post Office, 1 Green Bank, Long Preston, Skipton, BD23 4NA.
- Settle ..... Settle Pool Charity Shop, Duke Street, Settle, BD24 9DU.

**The closing date for completed surveys is Sunday, 15th May 2022.**

Find us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Community Liaison

For details of the work and re-opening arrangements visit [www.settlewimmingpool.co.uk](http://www.settlewimmingpool.co.uk)



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