



Friday 28th June 2019

Summer Term : Edition 8

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported this year's School Fair. Thank you also to everyone who made a donation. This year we raised an astounding £457.00. Following on from the Summer Fair, myself, Miss Thwaite, Mrs Cryer and Mr White voluntarily agreed to a night of very little sleep and got involved with this year's Summer Sleepover on the school field. Everyone had a wonderful time, enjoying toasting marshmallows and playing games on the field. It would be fair to say that on Saturday morning, all the children were definitely more energetic than the adults! Thank you to all those parents/carers who supported this fundraiser, we managed to raise approximately £400.00 which will be added to the money raised at the Summer Fair. The School Council will be choosing what they would like to spend this money on at their next meeting.

This week, information about next academic year's class structure and staffing has been sent home in children's book bags. Can I please remind parents/carers that if they have any queries or wish to discuss any content of the letter, then please either speak to your child's class teacher, or myself. My door is always open. If I am not available, please leave a message with Sally in the School Office for me to contact you.

Children in year 6 have all had a lovely week on their residential in Whitby. Unfortunately, the weather and rough sea meant that planned body boarding activities on Tuesday could not take place! However, children all ended up enjoying ski-ing lessons (yes in June). Please see the school's website for some lovely pictures of the Whitby visit, including action shots of aspiring 'Eddie the Eagles'.... Thank you to Mr White, Miss Thwaite and Miss Tierney for accompanying children on this visit. Without staff volunteering to lead these trips, they would not happen.

Have a lovely weekend, let's hope the sun keeps shining!

Mrs Pearson

AUTUMN TERM MENU CHOICES This week we have sent home school meal menu choices for the Autumn Term. If your child will be taking a school lunch from September 2019, can you please complete the menu choices form and return the same to the School Office by no later than **Monday 15th July 2019**? Can parents/carers please ensure that they complete BOTH sides of the form, this is because Grab Bags will be available every day from 5th September 2019 through to half term, 25th October 2019, however, when we start back on the 4th November 2019 Grab Bags will no longer be an option on the menu as the weather is anticipated to turn slightly chillier and as is usually the case, children, parents and carers prefer a warm meal at lunchtime. By way of information, school meal prices will remain at £2.00 per child, per day for children in Nursery. FREE of charge for children in reception, year 1 and year 2 and £2.45 per child per day for children in years 3,4,5 and 6.

School Trips and Visits As we head towards the end of term, this week is as busy as ever! By way of a reminder children in Reception and Year 1 will be visiting Colt Park on Monday 1st July 2019. On Tuesday 2nd July children in Year 6 will be taking part in a Transition Day Event at Ingleborough Hall. Can parents please remember that, on the day, they will need to arrange transport both to and from Ingleborough Hall for children? Also on Tuesday 2nd July, children in Year 4 will be enjoying a visit to Clapham Show Cave.

North Yorkshire School Games Finals On Sunday 7th July, our year 6 netball team, Aniesha, Robyn, Jack, Eddie, Emily, Aime and Reuben will be representing our school and 'Team Craven' at the North Yorkshire School Games Finals. A massive well done and congratulations to these children for their success as a team to date. I am sure everyone will join the school in wishing our team the very best of luck at the event being held on Sunday. Finally, thank you to parents for all their support during the qualifying rounds.

Midday Supervisory Assistant (MSA) Vacancy Children at the school are eagerly looking for a new MSA for lunchtimes as from September 2019. The appointment will initially be on a 'temporary contract' for five hours per week. If you are enthusiastic, motivated, approachable and would like to join the school's Midday Supervisory Team then please see Sally in the School Office who can provide you with

more information and an application form. We look forward to hearing from you.

Head Lice and Worms Unfortunately there have been a few cases of head lice and worms reported to the school. Can parents/carers please ensure that they check their child's hair regularly for any signs of head-lice and be vigilant for any signs of worms. Both worms and head lice are very common in children of school age, and both can be treated by over the counter medication very easily. If you have any concerns, or for more information, please speak to your child's GP or a pharmacist.

CAR KEYS Have you, or anyone you know lost a set of car keys? If so, a set of keys have recently been handed into the School Office. Obviously we would like to reunite these with their owner!

Sports Day As we are sure everyone will be aware, Sports Day will be taking place on Thursday 4th July (weather permitting!). Should the weather spoil our plans, a 'reserve' date of Friday 5th July has been identified!

On whichever date our annual sporting event ends up taking place, parents/carers are invited to come along to support and encourage children whilst they take part in various sporting activities! There will also be a parent's race, so please bring your trainers! Following on from the main event, parents/carers and younger siblings are all invited to bring their own packed lunch and join children for a 'picnic' on the school field. Mrs Leak will be providing 'Grab Bags' for school children, priced at £2.00 each for children in Nursery, FREE of charge for children in years 1 and 2 and £2.45 for children in years 3,4,5 and 6. Grab Bags can be ordered in class on the day and payment made via Parentpay.

We are asking that parents/carers provide a top for their child representing the colour of their 'house group', by way of a reminder these are as follows:-

Hodgson's Heroes : Yellow

Winning Whites : RED

Thwaite's Greats : Blue

Richardson's Rockets : GREEN

CAN PARENTS/CARERS PLEASE ENSURE THAT THEIR CHILD'S PARENTPAY ACCOUNTS ARE EITHER AT A ZERO BALANCE OR IN CREDIT BY THE END OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR? For those children in Year 6 who have 'credit' balances, these will either be refunded or transferred to sibling accounts on the last day of

term. Thank you.

Together we can fight Flu! Whilst the 'typical' Flu season may seem like months away, we have been contacted by North Yorkshire's Growing Healthy team with information about flu immunisation. Detailed information leaflets about the Flu and how you can protect your child against the same, are available from the school office. During the Autumn Term the Childhood Immunisation Team will be visiting the school on **Tuesday 5th November 2019** and offering ALL children in ALL year groups free immunisation against the Flu. More information about this programme together with consent details to follow at a later date.

Music Lessons If you are interested in your child learning to play a musical instrument, then please contact the School Office. At the present time, we have three music teachers visiting the school, teaching keyboard, flute, fife, accordion and guitar. By way of information, North Yorkshire County Council's Music Service are able to offer tuition with other musical instruments by request.

Sunshine after the Rain? Can we please remind parents/carers to bring children to school with appropriate clothing for the weather! Thank you.

Sun Hats We are currently looking for donations of sun-hats and caps. If you have either of these items that need re-homing, please consider donating them to school! Thank you.

Governor Vacancies We are currently seeking TWO new co-opted Governors to join our friendly dedicated governing body. Governors can come from a range of different backgrounds, all bringing a variety of skills, experience and expertise to our Board; our governing body do all share one common interest - striving to achieve the best possible educational experience for children at Bentham Community Primary School. Whilst the role of a Governor is, at times, challenging it is also a rewarding and fulfilling role. It can give individuals an opportunity to develop personal skills, whilst at the same time helping to 'make a difference' to local children at their community school in reaching their potential. In looking to fill our current vacancies, we are encouraging applications from people who have experience with finance, marketing or public relations, although please do not be put off if you do not have any of these skills, what is more important is enthusiasm, interest and the willingness to learn. If

you, or someone you know in the community, might be interested in becoming a Governor at the school, or if you would like an opportunity to discuss any aspects of the role, prior to committing please do not hesitate to contact the School Office on 015242 61412.

What's on this week?

Monday 1st July 2019

Visit to Colt Park : Reception and Year 1
1.00pm Class 3 Swimming

Tuesday 2nd July 2019

Ingleborough Hall Transition Day : Year 6
Clapham Show Cave : Year 4
3.30pm-4.30pm Afterschool Tennis Club

Wednesday 3rd July 2019

Music Lessons : Mrs Brennan (Flute/Keyboard)
Music Lessons : Mr Hinchcliffe (Accordion)

Thursday 4th July 2019

Sports Day
Music Lessons : Mr Annable (Guitar)

Friday 28th June 2019

'Reserve' Sports Day
3.00pm Praise Assembly

REMINDER : PLEASE CHECK PARENTPAY
ACCOUNTS REGULARLY.

Some other information, including community events...

Summer Reading Challenge NYCC Library Service will, once again, be running a Summer Reading Challenge at all of its libraries. This year the theme will be 'Space Race' in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the moon landing. Children aged between 4 and 11 are invited to read SIX library books during the summer holidays, collecting special stickers and rewards along the way. If children complete the 'Space Race' challenge they will be further rewarded with a Prize Certificate and Medal. Children can sign up to the challenge, FREE OF CHARGE at any local library from Saturday 13th July 2019..... Get Reading.

Sports Reach Soccer and Netball On Tuesday 25th June children all took part in a Sports Reach assembly.

Information was shared with children about sporting activities that have been organised to take place in both Austwick and Clapham during the Summer holidays. For more information, or to secure a place at any of the organised activities, please see the information leaflet that has been sent home in children's book bags. Alternatively, contact Mark Hutchinson on 07968 182 866 or via e-mail at : mark_hutchinson_171@yahoo.com.

Lifestyle 2019 – Be an everyday hero and get involved!

We have received information from the Craven Safer Neighbourhoods Team of North Yorkshire Police about this year's Lifestyle 2019 challenge! If you fancy making a difference to your community, engaging in fun activities and being in with a chance of winning an adventure holiday then this challenge might just be for you! Children aged between 10 and 17 years on the 31st August 2019 need to register to take part. The challenge will be an opportunity to get together with friends and think of a project that will benefit a street, the community or the environment. More information, together with Registration Forms are available from the School Office. Alternatively, contact North Yorkshire Police Youth Team directly : lifestyle@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk www.northyorkshire.police.uk/lifestyle

RunBikeFun : Summer Wheels 2019. We have received information about a Summer Wheels activity that will be taking place at Settle Primary School during the Summer Holidays. Jill Eccleston will be introducing and coaching cycling skills through a variety of fun games and activities. To take part, children's bicycles must be in good working condition and children will need a CE approved bike helmet, gloves and suitable clothing. The cost of attending is £20.00 per day and sessions are being held on Monday 29th July to Friday 3rd August inclusive. For more information and/or a booking form either please see Sally in the School Office or contact Jill Eccleston direct at info@runbikefun.co.uk, or 07955 342344. Places MUST BE pre-booked.

FamilyLine by Family Action Family pressures can sometimes be difficult to manage without emotional support and guidance to turn to. Many individuals feel confused by what information is available, or simply struggle to access services close to home. FamilyLine is a service that tackles many issues in a new and innovative way by using a network of volunteers across the country to support family

members over the age of 18 through telephone calls,
e-mails and text messages. Opening times for this
FREE service are:

Monday-Friday 10.00am to 2.00pm
 6.00pm to 10.00pm.

Saturday-Sunday 10.00am to 1.00pm

Telephone : 0808 802 6666

Text Message : 07537 404 282

E-mail : familyline@family-action.org.uk