



STEETON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter 4

Ahoy, me Hearties!

Well Blow me down and Shiver me timbers!

A band of Cutthroats, Buccaneers and Scallywags took over school today. They have searched for Booty and been Yoh Ho Hoing and Heave Hoing all over school.

A big Pirate shout Out to Captain Shaw Snr for capturing such a fine Pirate ship for Steeton.

What a great day we have all had.

Attendance

Our attendance from the 1st September has increased slightly to 95.85%. Our target is 96%+.

Let us keep striving for full attendance every day and keep increasing this percentage.

After School Clubs

These began this week with over 120 children taking part over Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. They have been really enjoyed by staff and children.

We still have places for many of the clubs and we would still like more children to take part. I will leave the bookings for this half term open for another week with a cost of £8 for this half term.

It would be good to see the clubs fill up and especially the Yr1/2 sports and fitness on a Wednesday and the EYFS Forest School on a Thursday.

Check out availability on Parent Pay.

Sporting Success

A great effort by all our children who represented the school in The Bradford Schools Cross Country at Bradford and Bingley Rugby Club on Wednesday.

A special congratulations to Jacob O'Sullivan who came first in the Year 6 boys race out of all the schools in the Bradford district. Brilliant effort, Jacob!

Book Fair

We will have the Scholastic book fair in school on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Info on the books coming out on Monday

Volunteers – We need Parent Volunteers to help run the Book Fair between 3:00pm and 4:00pm Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. It really is just helping to set up the book stands, to collect payment for books, and a quick tidy and close the stands. If you could spare any time on any day please contact the school office. I have only had one volunteer so far so please if you can come and help us out.

Upcoming Events

We are adding diary events to the school website and individual class events will be pinged out to you by your child's class teacher. A full calendar of events will be pinged today and put on the website. This is a working document and will be added to throughout the Year.

1. Monday 27th September Music and Arts Service Concert
2. Wednesday 29th September – Friday 1st October Scholastic Book Fair
3. Friday 8th October visit by Robbie Moore MP

Parents Meetings

We have provisionally booked in the second week back after half term, w/c Monday 8th November for Parents Consultations. These will be zoom or phone appointments during the school day as per last year. Booking details will follow later this term.

The Thursday before half term, Thursday 21st October we will be having an Open Classroom event between 2:00pm and 3:00pm. This will give parents the opportunity to come into their child's/children's class to look at the learning and talk to staff about routines etc..

Steeton Superstars This Week

Saplings: Maddie Church Arthur Longden

Seedlings: Bella Cloughton Alexa Wilson

Maple: All of Maple class for dressing up as amazing pirates

Plum: Alfie Hollings Evaniya Sijo

Willow: Alex Wilkiewicz Shifaa Sajid

Elder: Mia Quattrocchi Joseph Walmsley

Fir: Harry Daley Lacie Smith

Rowan: Femimah Ali Musab Syed

Ash: Zakaria Dad Harvey McNulty

Holly: Rafay Ali Zia Adeel

Silver Birch: Violet Taylor Sunaira Hussain

Chester Zoo

Before Covid, Miss Lafberry won a whole school free visit to Chester Zoo which was subsequently cancelled. She re-entered this year and has won again. The whole school will be going to Chester Zoo for the day next February.

We do still have to pay for the coaches so between now and February we will be looking at fundraising activities to try to pay for these. Any parents who have any fund-raising ideas or are able to fund raise on our behalf, please contact school.

End of School Day

Thank you to the majority of parents who wait patiently and orderly whilst staff hand over the children to you. Staff are doing their best to do this as quickly as they can, ensuring the safety of the children. Please can I ask that you do not call for your children to come out or walk up to the gates past everyone who is waiting patiently.

This only creates stress for everyone and compromises safety.

Thank you in anticipation of your continued cooperation in this matter

West Yorkshire Police Partnership with School

Every school has been allocated a PCSO. Our PCSO is:

PCSO166 Kristina Riley.

Kristina has already made some visits to school and will be attending regularly at the start or end of the school day, outside the gates or in the Park. If you have any concerns, need information or just want to say 'Hi', please talk to Kristina. I know you will find her very approachable.

She will also be attending many school events to get to know the children and yourselves. The first will be Pirate Day.

Flu Vaccine-Reminder

If you haven't done so already, please could you return Flu Vaccine forms ASAP.

Lost Property

We have a growing amount of lost property in school including coats. All these items are un named so it makes it difficult to return to the rightful owner. Please can you ensure all your children's items are labelled with their name. Thank you.

Inclusion and Welfare Officer

Mrs Kennedy is available everyday if you need any advice or support on areas such as attendance, behaviour, benefits, Pupil Premium Support, Agency Support, Parental Support. Please do not hesitate to contact her either by phoning or email or a quick chat at drop off/pick up time.

Car Parking in locality

Please continue to park and drive carefully and legally around school and the surrounding roads for the safety of the whole school community and local residents. Just a reminder that the car park by the main school gate is for staff only. This is coned off in the afternoon. Please do not stand within this coned off area or allow children to play/enter the carpark.

I thank you for future cooperation in this matter.

Free School Meals

If you claim Income Support, Universal Credit or have are on a low income, your child may be eligible for Free School Meals.

Benefits include:

- Free school meals for your child regardless of what year they are in
- Subsidised or free school trips
- Vouchers towards the costs of school uniform
- Free school milk
- Free music lessons within school
- A grant for school for activities and resources

Applying is easy and all online. You do not need to send in any documentation. All you need is your address, National Insurance number and dates of birth for people living in your house hold. You will receive an instant response.

You can apply through **Mrs Kennedy**, who can complete the application with you either over the phone or in person.

OR

You can apply yourself using an online form. Go to:

www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals

If you think you might be eligible, please speak to Mrs Kennedy, who can help you apply and give you further information.

SCHOOLPING and Website

Please contact school if you are having trouble accessing Schoolping especially if you are a new parent. We send all our letters and messages out to you using ping as well as updates on children's work and achievements. Please continue to use the school website. We will continue to strive to update it as regularly as possible. **If you go to the parents section and scroll down to letters, you will be able to see all the letters that have gone home.**

Follow us on Twitter!



Our School Twitter account is updated regularly and we want more followers. Keep up to date with breaking news of the exciting events happening in school by following us on **@SteetonPrimary**.

Tweets can also be viewed on the school website:
www.steeton.bradford.sch.uk



People who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. We have a number of children to who this applies.

If someone has a nut allergy it is not just eating nuts that can cause a severe reaction, just being touched on the skin or smelling the breath of someone who has had nuts or a product containing nuts can trigger anaphylactic shock (which can cause breathing and swallowing difficulties).

We cannot have nuts in school in any form. So please can we ask that you have no nut products in the lunch boxes.

For example

- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Chocolate spreads
- Some cereal bars
- Some granola bars
- Cakes that contain nuts
- Biscuits / Cookies that contain nuts
- Peanut butter cakes
- Food with Satay Sauces.

This list is not exhaustive, so please check the packaging of products closely.

I know if this was your child, you would expect that we all help, especially as it is a life-threatening condition.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

I hope everyone has a good, safe weekend.

Mr K. Wheeler

