



STEETON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Newsletter 7

Dear Parents and Carers

Another fun filled, hard working week over. The children have been producing some lovely work and enjoying the huge variety of activities offered this half term. I hope as many parents and carers as possible can drop into classes next Thursday afternoon to share this with the children.

Upcoming Events

Parents Drop in

Thursday 21st October 2021

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 have a relaxed look at the learning and talk to staff about routines etc.

Looking forward to seeing you in school.

New Starters September 2022 Open Morning

This will take place on Wednesday 17th November 2021 9:30am – 11:30am.

If you know of anyone who has a child who will be starting school next September, please encourage them to come along and see what a fantastic offer we have here at Steeton. Also any existing parents who have another child starting in September, please come along to share with prospective parents why you chose this school.

Attendance

Our attendance from the 1st September has dipped to 95.6%. Our target is 96%+. Let us keep striving for full attendance every day and get this percentage over 96%.

Steeeton Superstars This Week

Saplings: **Aizah Kamran** **Abdur Rehman Ali**

Seedlings: **Phoebe Walshaw** **Hajrah Abbas**

Maple: **Aisha Akram** **Ievon Berrisford**

Plum: **Hasnain Abrar** **Amelia Javed**

Willow: **Abu-Huraira Arif** **Austin Hambley**

Elder: **Leila Karim** **Moss Chapman**

Fir: **Aliza Javed** **Maulik NediyaChalil**

Rowan: **Jamie Warren** **Aizah Hassan**

Ash: **Joseph Kennedy** **Lydia Tretton**

Holly: **Adam Ellahi** **Shahzaib Amin**

Silver Birch: **Yassar Dad** **Zara Saeed**

Vacancy

**Lunch Time Supervisor required to start after half -term.
Please contact the school office if you would require further information.**

Chester Zoo

As I informed you earlier this term, before Covid, Miss Lufbery 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.

Unfortunately, due to availability and the rising cost of fuel and transport, the cost of the coaches will be approx. £4000. Our usual fundraising events such as bun and biscuit sales, whilst always well supported, will not go any way near to raising this amount.

We would still very much like to offer all our children this wonderful opportunity and experience.

Therefore, I am putting out an appeal to any parents who have any fund-raising ideas, know any organisations or firms who could support/sponsor us or are able to fund raise on our behalf, please contact school.

Bradford Science Festival 23-31 October 2021!

Time: Sat 23 Oct 2021 09:00-Sun 31 Oct 2021 18:00 | **Venue:** Various across Bradford District

A life-size killer whale, LEGO challenges, pumpkin trails and spectacular light and sound displays—Bradford Science Festival is back!

This year's festival takes place during October half term (23–31 October 2021) with events at the National Science and Media Museum and across the city.

Join us to discover fascinating themes including the environment, careers in STEM and the science of sound.

More details at <https://www.scienceandmediamuseum.org.uk/whats-on/bradford-science-festival>

After School Clubs Next Half Term

Signing up for clubs after half term will go live on Parentpay next Tuesday.

There are slight changes to clubs next half term.

Wednesday Science Club next half term will be for Yr 3/4 only

There will be a Wednesday Dance Club with Ms Akram Yr 1-6

There will be a Thursday Movie Making Club run by Mr Wheeler for Yr 3 - 6

Parents Meetings

We have 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.

End of School Day

It is becoming smoother and quicker with the majority of parents waiting patiently for children to be handed over.

With the wet weather and onset of darker evenings it is more important that we all play a part in ensuring children are handed over safely.

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