



# **STEETON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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## **Newsletter 19**

### **Dear Parents and Carers**

It has been another good week in school. We have had a number of visitors in school who have praised the children's behaviour and attitudes, the respect they show to each other and the lovely calm atmosphere around school and in the playground. It is always lovely to get external feedback and I will also pass this on to the children in the Assembly on Monday. We also asked the children last Monday to take extra care in keeping the Dinner Hall clean and tidy, free of litter and waste and ensuring coats are hung up and corridors kept free. They have been brilliant in their efforts to make this happen.

### **Coram Life Caravan**

Juliet, The Life Education Teacher who has been in this week, has asked me to pass on her thanks to your children. This is for the behaviour and interest they displayed in all the sessions she did from Reception to Yr 6. She said it was also wonderful to see the excellent behaviour around school, in the playground, the calmness of the school and the respect your children pay to each other.

A particular mention was given to Yr5/6 and the mature way they engaged in and responded to the Puberty Sessions.

### **Chester Zoo Trip**

Planning is at advanced stages for this whole school visit and a letter explaining the arrangements will go out at the beginning of next week.

### **Football News**

Congratulations to the two teams of Yr5/6 Girls and Boys who represented the school in the Football Tournament, yesterday. They were all fantastic ambassadors for the school with one of the teams qualifying for the Bradford Schools Finals in a few weeks time. Thank you to all the parents who helped get the children there and back and Mr Shaw JR for organising it.

## **Thinking about a career in teaching?**

**Train to teach here, at Steeton Primary School.** We are working in partnership with Ilkley All Saints to host trainee teachers at our school. This is a one year full time course, 100% of your time will be spent in schools. You will receive a PGCE in with QTS when the course is completed. For more information and required qualifications, please see the leaflet that has been pinged out by Mrs Birtwistle

### **Community Learning & Adult Skills – Skills for Work**

Bradford Council are offering free courses available to anyone 19+. They deliver a wide range of courses across the district and there is a key focus on Functional Skills

English, Maths and ESOL alongside qualifications in Employability and Teaching Assistants. These are all accredited qualifications which range from pre-entry to level

2. I have attached 3 posters to this newsletter with further details on. If you know of anyone who is interested in applying and need further information or help with the application, please contact Mrs Kennedy at school.

School: 01535 653315 select option 2  
Mobile: 07593581520

### **Food Banks and Support**

If you need some support with food and other household basics, we are able to make discreet, confidential referrals to local food banks. It takes 5 minutes and can be done over the phone. If you think this would be helpful, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Kennedy  
on:

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# Steeeton Superstars This Week

Well done to all these children.

Saplings: Sonny Barnes      Evelyn Paul  
Seedlings: Safa Saeed      Phoebe Walshaw

Maple: Azaan Hussain      Hafsa Shakeel  
Plum: Edwin Dony      Amelia Javed  
Willow: Isabelle Elliot      Logan Cann

Elder: Harrison Mills      Poppy Harper  
Fir: Aliza Javed      Kian Bulcock  
Rowan: Christina Joshy      Meera Hebbar

Ash: Jacob O Sullivan      William McLaren  
Holly: Charlie Gray      Aminah Zafar  
Silver Birch: Ernest Chen      Eliza Rafiq

## **In Term Holiday Requests**

As stated on the Bradford Schools Online website “Parents should not take their children out of school without first seeking the schools permission. Families do not have a right to take their children out of school for the purposes of family holidays or trips abroad. Parents should always speak to the school prior to any absence to discuss any information that they feel should be taken into consideration by the Headteacher in deciding whether to authorise the absence.”

The DfE guidance instructs Headteachers NOT to authorise leave of absence in term time. Permission for this type of absence should only be granted in the most exceptional circumstance.

If you are requesting to take your child out of school during term time, please contact Mrs Simpson at the school Office or email the school office and you will be sent a Request Form that needs returning to school.

## **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](http://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.**



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**