



STEETON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers

First of all, thank you for your cooperation and understanding over the unexpected closure of school today. At the time we closed school we were experiencing a power cut that affected all our operating systems but most notably the Fire Alarm, heating and lighting and the electric security system preventing unauthorised entry to school buildings. Northern Power Grid have attended and full power has now been restored. We intend to open fully again on Monday morning with gates open from 8:30am.

This has been a disappointing end to what has been a lovely week in school, starting with a celebration of the Chinese New Year, Forest School sessions and the usual fun, exciting but hard work put in by the children.

Chester Zoo Trip

Thank you to all who have filled in the consent form I sent out on Ping. I realised after I had sent it out that I should have added a 'no sandwich' option after cheese or tuna, as it does not allow you to submit the form unless all questions are completed. Sorry for any confusion this may have caused but we are able to sort this out at our end.

If you have not completed the form please complete and submit it asap.

Parents Consultation Meetings Tuesday 29th and Thursday 31st March.

These will take place between 3:15 and 6:00pm. You will be offered the option of a face to face meeting or a virtual zoom/phone call meeting.

We will make the booking form available after 1/2 Term when you can choose which option you would like.

Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 8th February 2022

We will be having a whole school assembly on Monday on Internet Safety. This will be followed up with class activities across the week. Please visit the Internet Safety Day website for more information and activities, games and videos you can share with your child.

[Safer Internet Day 2022 - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

In particular please visit the Parents and Carers page for Top Tips

[Advice for parents and carers - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

Channel 4 Junior Bake Off

Channel 4 have recently opened applications for the 8th series of **Junior Bake Off**; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain.

They are looking for young budding bakers between **9-12 years old**. Filming would take place from July 2022, but **applications close on Sunday 13th March 2022**.

Interested bakers can apply online at - www.applyforjuniorbakeoff.co.uk

I have attached a flyer to this Ping

Please do feel free to contact them on **0207 067 4833**, should you have any questions regarding the above.

Enquiries: applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk

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. 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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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

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 school's 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.

Steeeton Superstars This Week

Well done to all these children.

Saplings: Ronnie Robson Alfred Ingram

Seedlings: Christo Joshy Blake Conroy

Maple: All of Maple class

Plum: Mila Aneesh Zahran Mallick

Willow: Kyle Dixon Lola Stokes-Warren

Elder Layla Karim Charlie Pollard

Fir: Ismaeel Ashraf Safoorah Habib

Rowan: Zoya Tahir Jamie Simpson

Ash: Mehak Javed Zayn Sajid

Holly: Ibrahim Abrar Rahyaan Murtaza

Silver Birch: Yahya Waheed Ismail Suleman

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.



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