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Newsletter 23

Dear Parents and Carers

First of all, my apologies for no newsletter over the last two weeks. Unfortunately, after somehow managing to avoid it for 2 years, Covid finally caught up with me.

I know Mrs Simpson and the Teachers have kept you up to date with events that have been taking place, through Ping and I thank them for that. I was sorry to have missed the Chester Zoo assembly by Rowan Class, World Book Day and the Jubilee Tree Planting, but I know these were all a success and thoroughly enjoyed by the children.

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

As previously mentioned, 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 call meeting.

The booking form will be available on Schoolping and will go live at 9:00am next Monday morning, 21st March. When booking, please indicate which option you would like. Children are welcome to attend the meetings.

Netball and Cross Country

Our new Netball Team took part in their first tournament, just over a week ago, at South Craven School. A big well done to; Gabby Cooper, Niamh Goodman, Moss Chapman, Joseph Preston, Poppy Chapman, Zara Saeed, Taylor Borraine, Annie Ryan and Anaya Khan for representing the school with distinction.

Our Cross-Country team completed their season last Wednesday at Marley. A big congratulations to Jacob O'Sullivan and Joseph Preston who came 1st and 2nd respectively in their age group over the 4 races. Also, well done to Faith Harper who also got a medal for finishing first in the race she competed in. A big well done for putting in a great effort each week to;
Charlie Pollard, Violet Taylor, Scarlett Cocker, Conan Delle Rose, Christina Joshy, Hawwa Kamran, Joselyn Coope and Poppy Harper.

Steeeton Superstars This Week

Well done to all the following:

Seedlings: Amos Milward Zakriya Habib

Saplings: Zoya Nawaz Violet Wynn

Plum: Alfie Hollings Zayyan Mustafa

Maple: Dylan Brannon Inayah Khan

Willow: Safaa Ahmed Arthur Prosser Jackson

Elder: Leila Staniland Penny Brannon

Fir: Zoya Hussain Umm-E-Hani Khan

Rowan: Leo Hawker Amina Yasin

Ash: Tobi Wallace Adam Ellahi

Holly: Tayib Imann Faith Harper

Silver Birch: Laksh Lohana Kiese Da Cruz

Maquengo

Red Nose Day

Thank you to all the contributions made to this good cause. The children have enjoyed dressing up and we raised £160.76.

After School Clubs

There will be no after school clubs on Tuesday 29th and Thursday 31st March due to Parents Consultation Meetings. Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

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.

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 week!

Mr K. Wheeler