# **STEETON PRIMARY SCHOOL**



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# **Newsletter 35**

#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

Another busy week completed and time does seem to be flying by. We do get people saying to staff at this time of year, 'you'll be winding down these last few weeks. Far from it as these are the busiest weeks of the year. Trying to plan and prepare for next September as well as ensuring the same quality of teaching and learning is taking place; preparing for end of year events such as residentials, sports days and transition, keeps everyone working as hard as they can right up until the last minute. Of course, we wouldn't have it any other way and it is all part and parcel of choosing a career in a Primary school, to ensure all the children have a great experience during their time here. Could I please remind parents that school is closed on this coming Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July for one day and we reopen on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am.

# **Billy Bantam Penalty Shootout**

Thank you to everyone who helped the children collect sponsors. The amount raised so far is just short of £2000 of which we get half. This is brilliant and much appreciated fundraising for school. If you have not sent in your monies yet, please do so asap, and then we can arrange for the prizes to be given out.

# Yr 6 Sats Results

Well done to all our Year 6 children for the calm way they handled the recent Sats tests. We are proud of everyone of you. We are sending out the results in sealed envelopes today. Apologies for the delay but the DFE has had a problem with the technology that allows us to enter the results electronically onto our system, to then print out the report for parents. I have had to input the results individually by hand and then check them with another member of staff to ensure I've not made any errors. But all good to go today.

#### **Reports**

Your child's End of Year Report will be sent out to you by School ping next Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July afternoon. If for whatever reason you would like a paper version, please contact your child's class teacher.

#### **Transition Arrangements**

The transition days for Years R to 5 will take place from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July. The children will spend time with their new teacher and class, getting to know each other and daily routines. On Tuesday 19<sup>th,</sup> Parents are invited to drop in from 2:30pm to meet your child's new class teacher.

#### **Sports Day**

I have been assured that the park next to school will be prepared with a marked track ready for the Sports Day but as yet this has not happened. I am chasing this up today.

Year 6 Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July in the afternoon. Rest of the school, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July in the afternoon.

To start at 1:00pm. Parents are welcome to attend these events but if the weather is bad they will be cancelled on the day and unfortunately, we do not have capacity to offer an alternative date.

#### Eid al-Adha

I hope all our families who are celebrating over the weekend have an enjoyable and peaceful time.

#### **Second-Hand Uniform Shop**

We will be having our first SHOP next Friday 15<sup>h</sup> July after school from 2:30pm in the Library. There will be good quality, washed and clean uniform available. The cost of items is whatever you can afford.

If you have any good quality, clean second-hand uniform you could donate for our shop, please send this in for the attention of Mrs Kennedy. This includes shoes. We now have 4 volunteers We would be quite happy to still have more so we can

have teams of parents on a rota system.

If you could help in anyway, please contact Mrs Kennedy for further details

#### Parking and Driving Around School

We have recently had a number of complaints regarding the parking and driving of a few of our parents at the end of the school day, from local residents and other parents. I know that the Police and Parking Wardens have been notified of these concerns.

As well as the above, as a school we are also very concerned about the number of parents who have not got car seats for their children or are driving with the children not strapped in.

I appreciate that the majority of our parents do park and drive sensibly around school and ensure the safety of their and other people's children. It is the small minority I am appealing to once again.

#### **Ice Lollies**

Ice lollies will be sold today but we have not replenished our stock this week, so it will be first come first served.

#### **Sports Events**

Our Yr. 6 Children were competing in the South Craven Cup against Silsden and Eastburn Primary Schools, here this afternoon. I will let you know next week how they got on.

# **Class Photographs**

Have you ordered your school photos yet? A polite reminder that the closing date for **free delivery** back to school was Tuesday 5th July. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit <u>www.tempest-orders.co.uk</u> If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).



# Magic Mondays from September

As modelled above, we have now purchased aprons for every child. So, from September children do not need to come in their old own clothes but instead we want them to wear their uniform.

# **Upcoming Events**

There will be lots of events taking place during what is often our busiest half-term. Class Teachers will inform you of visits and visitors by Ping and events are on the school website.

# Steeton Superstars This Week Well done to all the following:

Seedlings:	Bella Claughan	Hajrah Abbas
Saplings:	William Jones	Maddie Church

Plum:	Hasnain Abrar	Mohammed	l Deen Hussaln
Maple	Emila Qua <del>tt</del>	rocchi	Zara Yasin
Willow	: Abu-Huralı	ra Arif 8	Shifaa Sajid

Elder:	Ehsan Jameel	Moss	Chapman
Fir:	Ubaid Ullah Siddi	que	Saif Ullah
Rowan:	Eva Dowling	Lew	is Robson

Ash:	Jack	Walte	Mohamma	d Rayan	Jahangir
Holly:		Zavantal	Shannon	Rijja	Noor
Silver B	irch:	Matra Na	0 <i>Z</i> :	Subhaan	Syed



We will be expanding our juniors section next season with an Under 8's team!

We will be holding a trial day on Tuesday 12th July from 6:30pm at Summerhill Lane.

If you're young un' would be interested then please bring them down!

#chevrons

# Train to Teach at Steeton Primary.Steeton Primary SchoolDisteeton Primary SchoolThinking about a career in teaching?Train to teach here!Disteeton teach here!<tr/<td></ta>

If you would like to train to teach at Steeton Primary School, please contact Mrs Birtwistle at school for further details.

#### 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 email Mrs Kennedy at sharmyn.kennedy@steeton.bradford.sch.uk, at least 2 weeks prior to your date of departure.

She will send you all the relevant information.

# Lost Property

With the weather getting warmer, we now have an array of lost property. This will be put outside near the main gate every Monday morning. If your child has lost an item, please come and check. Usually, if your child's name is in or on their item, it will be returned to them

#### Traffic

The Council Wardens have asked me to pass on to parents that they will continue to make random visits at the beginning and end of the school day. They said they will continue to ticket drivers who stop on the zig zags to pick up or drop off passengers and any other parking offences they see.

# 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: <u>www.bradford.gov.uk/benefits/applying-for-benefits/free-school-meals</u>

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 lifethreatening 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 weekend. Mr K. Wheeler