



Menston Primary School Newsletter

Friday 21 April 2023

Railway Safety

This week, we had a visitor from Community Rail Lancashire who came to deliver some assemblies on railway safety. The children really enjoyed these lessons and learning about how our railways operate as well as how to keep themselves safe when using them. Some children even had the opportunity to dress up to demonstrate the different careers available in the rail service. As part of this amazing project run by Community Rail, we also now have access to some free rail transport for educational visits. This enables children to put the lessons they learned in the assembly into practice and also helps to reduce the cost of some of our trips and visits. Year 5 made use of this fantastic scheme for their trip to Cartwright Hall today.



School Council

Our School Council have lots more coming up this half term and are looking forward to their first meeting of the summer term next week. We had a very successful fundraising event on the last day of term and we managed to raise a grand total of £731 which means that £365.50 has been donated to both Comic Relief and The Downs Syndrome Training and Support Centre. Thank you again for all of your support. Please remind your children that if they have any ideas or suggestions for action teams, they can submit this to the Communication Team at any time. Some representatives from the Communication Team will be running a 'surgery' during play time next week to listen to ideas and bring them to the next meeting.



Rivers2U

Year 4 had an exciting visit from the Rivers2U mobile classroom this week. Inside the van, we learnt how rivers are formed, about the importance of beavers and what natural methods can be used to control flooding. Outside, we identified different invertebrates from a sample of river water using classification keys. Everyone learnt a lot and had lots of fun using the microscopes to see the organisms up close.



This Week's Hot Chocolate Heroes:

R Acorn: Ciaran A

Y3 Cherry: Harrison J

Y5 Rowan: Amelia J

R Oak: Freddie C

Y3 Holly: Eloise H

Y6 Birch: Isabelle N

Y1 Elm: Theo M

Y4 Alder: Holly W

Y6 Sycamore: Andrew B

Y1 Willow: Connie B

Y4 Ash: Danish K

These children were chosen for their fantastic attitudes to learning and enjoyed a drink in the staff room with school leaders on Monday.

Y2 Lime: Elsie C

Y4 Ash: Phoebe P

Y2 Maple: Betsy F

Y5 Hazel: Oscar P



Kooth — Your online mental wellbeing community

Accessible, free, accredited mental health support.

Any young person aged 10-18 can sign up anonymously online at Kooth.com. No waiting lists and no thresholds.

Please click [digital info resources](#) for parents and carers.

For further resources please see our [Mental Health and Wellbeing](#) page on our website.



Attendance

Attendance Matters

This week's whole school attendance was **96.64%**

The class with the highest attendance this week is **Lime** with **99.33%** attendance!

All children have an attendance target of at least 97% and attendance that falls below 95% will be investigated.



School Lunches—w/c 24 April 2023 Menu—Week 2

Monday: **Chicken Meatballs and Rice** or **Halal Beef Noodles**; **Vegetable Lasagne**; **Cheese Panini** or **Sandwiches**

Tuesday: **Cheese and Onion Pasty**; **Italian Tomato Pasta**; **Jacket Potatoes** or **Wraps**

Wednesday: **Roast Pork Loin** or **Halal Chicken Roll**; **Quorn Roast**; **Cheese Panini** or **Sandwiches**

Thursday: **Cheese and Tomato Pizza**; **Jacket Potato** or **Wraps**

Friday: **Battered Fillet of Fish** or **Salmon Fish Fingers**; **Vegetarian Mexican Burrito**; **Cheese Panini** or **Sandwiches**

For details of the full **NEW** menu please [click here](#) for our school meals web page.

Please note that from Monday 17 April 2023 the cost of school meals are going up to £2.10 per day or £10.50 per week.

Please ensure your ParentPay account is in credit prior to meals being taken by children. If you have any questions relating to payment for school meals please contact Facilities Management on 07973 841632.



Staff Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for permanent **Playworkers** at our very popular before and after school Care Club based in Menston Primary School (Term-time only).

We are particularly keen to recruit candidates who are able to work afternoons from 3.00 to 5.30pm, term-time only, although other positions may be available. These may be fixed-term/permanent. If you or anyone you know may be interested, please [click here](#) to visit our website for more information.



Bradford Council Facilities Management Catering & Cleaning Services are also recruiting a **Cleaning Assistant** (502349), 1 x 10 hours per week, based in Menston Primary School.

For further details and to apply for this role please click [City of Bradford MDC \(engageats.co.uk\)](#) and type '502349' into the KEYWORDS line then search.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 24 April: Year 4 Residential

Mon 1 May: Bank Holiday

Thurs 4 May: Parents' Evening Years F to 5

Mon 8 May: Bank Holiday

Tues 9 May: Parents' Evening Years F to 5

Tues 9 May: Year 6 SATs week

Tues 16 May: Class photographs

Fri 26 May: School closes for half term

Wed 7 June: School reopens for Summer Term 2

Mon 26 June: Year 6 Residential

Please see Year Group Newsletters for Key Stage specific diary dates

FoMPS

FoMPS has a very affordable and sustainable second-hand uniform selection. We have uniform and PE kit in most sizes including some new with tags, so please get in touch at fompsuniform@gmail.com. All items are priced at £1-£2 each. We are really grateful for donations of good, clean used uniform but please note that we are only taking school logo items currently. Thank you for your support with this.

Events coming soon:

Sat 20 May: Men's walk (the YOMP)

Sat 1 July: Ladies' walk (the WoMP)

Sat 15 July: Summer Fair

Tickets for the Men's and Women's YOMPs are now available via the FoMPS [website](#).



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