



Menston Primary School Newsletter

Friday 29 September

Help please!

We are appealing for your help please, as our wonderful admin team are routinely having to break off from their essential work to receive forgotten items such as lunch boxes, water bottles, book bags and musical instruments. From Monday 2 October there will be a drop-box outside the main entrance on St Peter's Way for any forgotten items to be placed into. Please can we ask that all items are clearly named so that they can be taken to the correct classrooms. We cannot guarantee that items will be taken immediately, so it would be absolutely ideal if children can bring everything that they need at the start of each day.

A reminder too that our gates close at 08:55 am, so please ensure that children arrive at school between 08:45 and 08:55. You will appreciate that late arrivals are disruptive to the work of the school and coming to school late is often unsettling for children.

If your child is going home with another parent or another relative, please either tell a member of staff at drop off or email / telephone the school office before **11:30am**. We cannot guarantee that messages sent after lunch time will get to teachers (unless there are exceptional reasons for a change of plan).

Many thanks for your support in helping the efficient running of our school.

School Milk

We are delighted to announce that deliveries of school milk for under 5's in Reception class will start next week. Deliveries for over 5's will start from Monday 9th October.

Please [click here](#) for more information or see the attached leaflet.



KS1 Macmillan Cake Sale Morning

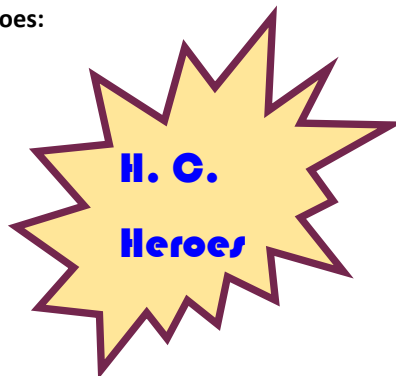
Thank you for your magnificent support with KS1 cake sale this morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer. The response has been absolutely fantastic and the school hall was full with parents and pupils all enjoying the event. A massive thank you to everyone who helped by baking and donating cakes and buns.



The total raised will be announced next week after the final sale at 3:15 pm today after school.

This Week's Hot Chocolate Heroes:

- R Acorn: Rhys C
- R Oak: Jack C
- Y 1 Elm: Adeline B
- Y 1 Willow: Emily W
- Y 2 Lime: Audrey P-P
- Y 2 Maple: Thomas W
- Y 3 Cherry: Isla A
- Y 3 Holly: Dylan E
- Y 4 Alder: Myla C
- Y 4 Ash: Ksawery P
- Y 5 Hazel: Thomas D
- Y 5 Rowan: Ellis T
- Y 6 Birch: Oliver W
- Y 6 Sycamore: Leo K-E



These children were chosen for their fantastic attitudes to learning and will be enjoying a hot chocolate in the staff room on Monday with school Leaders.



School Photographer—Sibling Photographs

Karen Ross will return to school on Sunday 15 October 9:30 - 11:30 to take sibling photographs. Please book your place by emailing :

andrew@rossschoolphoto.co.uk.

Karen will then get back to you with a time slot.

Please use the gate on East Parade for access to the school when arriving on the 15th for your photos.



October Half Term Activities—Inspiration Tree, Menston



Please see the attached leaflet for details of Multi Activity Courses including Lego, Digital Learning, Multi-Sport and Art and Dance running over this half-term.

Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 97.47%

The classes with the highest attendance this week are Elm and Acorn with 100% attendance!

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



School Lunches—w/c 02/10/2023 Week 2

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



School meals are free for all children in Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2. For Years 3 to 6, the cost of school meals is £2.10 per day/ £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. **NB: From Monday 30th October 2023 the cost of school meals will increase to £2.20 per day/£11 per week.**

Monday: **Chicken Meatballs and Rice or Halal Beef Noodles**; **Vegetable Lasagne**; **Panini or Ham, Cheese ,or Tuna Sandwiches**
Tuesday: **Cheese and Onion Pasty**; **Italian Tomato Pasta**; **Jacket Potatoes or Ham, Cheese ,or Tuna Wraps**
Wednesday: **Roast Pork Loin or Halal Chicken Roll**; **Quorn Roast** ; **Panini or Ham, Cheese ,or Tuna Sandwiches**
Thursday: **Cheese and Tomato Pizza**; **Jacket Potato or Ham, Cheese ,or Tuna Wraps**
Friday: **Battered Fillet of Fish or Salmon Fish Fingers**; **Vegetarian Mexican Burrito**; **Panini or Ham, Cheese ,or Tuna Sandwiches**

Attendance Reminder— Holiday Leave Requests

Unless circumstances are truly exceptional, term-time holidays are classed as unauthorised and unauthorised absence of three consecutive school days or more will often be referred to Bradford Council's attendance team. Our term dates for the 2023-24 academic year can be found on our school website. Click on [Here](#) to access the link. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Attendance Matters



School Meal Prices

Please note that due to rising costs, our school meals provider has informed us there will be a price rise from Monday 30th October for all pupil lunches from £2.10 to £2.20 per day (£10.50 to £11 per week).



Flu Vaccinations

The online link to book a flu vaccination has now been reopened by the School Vaccination & Immunisation Service. If you wish your child to receive the flu vaccine but missed the deadline for vaccination on the 27, please click on the link below. Depending on numbers the Service will either contact you to attend a catch up session, or invite children to attend at one of their clinics



Click on the following link: and enter the school code BF107299 to book.

[Immunisation Consent \(bradfordschoolimmunisations.co.uk\)](https://bradfordschoolimmunisations.co.uk)

Dates to Remember this Half Term

Saturday 7 October: [Cross Country](#) at Ilkley Rugby Club

Friday 13 October: FOMPS AGM & Bingo Night at 7pm

Saturday 14 October: [Cross Country](#) at Addingham Primary School (KS2 only)

Sunday 15 October: Sibling Photographs at Menston Primary

Thursday 19 October: KS1 Harvest assembly at 2:30pm

Saturday 21 October to Sunday 29 October: Half term break

Please see Year Group Newsletters for Key Stage specific diary dates.

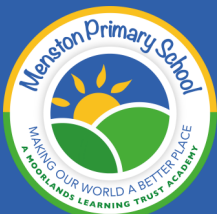
FOMPS

Bingo Night

Eyes down on Friday 13th October at 7pm for the FoMPS bingo night. This is our first fundraiser of the year so join us for a fun evening of bingo with refreshments to raise funds to support our children. Our AGM will be held prior to commencement of play to share news of the last year in review, along with upcoming events and plans for the year ahead. To reserve your bingo seat or for more information regarding the AGM visit our website www.fomps.org.uk

We are still looking for raffle prizes for the Christmas fair. If you, or anyone you know, has a business who would like to donate a prize please get in touch: admin@fomps.org.uk

Don't forget the affordable uniform scheme that we run, with items available for suggested donations of £1-£2 each. To check for item and size availability or to donate uniform



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