



Menston Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 12th July 2024

KS2 Wilko Wilkes Rap Workshop

Last Friday, UKS2 had a fabulous day with former pupil and Yorkshire rapper, 'Wilko Wilkes.' Wilkes shared his own journey in an honest and upbeat way, encouraging the children to do what they love and be themselves. All the children experimented with writing their own lyrics in the workshop session and many of them were brave enough to perform them too. If you haven't checked him out yet, he's definitely worth listening to! [@WilkoWilkes](#)



Year 2 Trip

Last week, year 2 children enjoyed an exciting visit to the Eureka museum, as part of their science unit surrounding healthy living.



Rounders

Huge congratulations to everyone who participated in the rounders team! Your dedication and skill were truly impressive. Despite having only 7 players, the team managed to win every match and set a new IGS rounders record with an incredible 32 rounders in a single game. Well done, Year 6!

Returning Medicines for Summer

All medicine kept in school, such as EpiPens and inhalers, will be sent home with children on Friday 19th July. Please return any medicine to be kept in school on Tuesday 3rd September with a completed [Parental Agreement form](#). Medicines must be returned to the school office to be recorded and distributed to the correct classroom. If your child has a medical condition, please ensure you complete the [Individual Care Plan form](#), and provide us with a copy of the Care Plan issued from your healthcare provider, if you have one. All medicine forms mentioned above can be found on the ['Useful Forms' page of the MPS website](#). Paper copies can be collected from the main office.

Online Safety Information

We are sending out a parental controls guide from Knowsley City Learning Centres today alongside this newsletter. We are sure that parents and carers will find the information and associated links useful in helping to keep children safe online. If you would like any more advice around online safety, please get in touch with us here at school.

This Week's Hot Chocolate Heroes:

- R Acorn: Lennie A
- R Oak: Joshua P
- Y 1 Willow: Sophie W
- Y 1 Elm: Daania Eshaal H
- Y 2 Lime: Hudson G
- Y 2 Maple: Millie R
- Y 3 Cherry: Daniel D
- Y 3 Holly: Hallie W
- Y 4 Ash: Hattie C
- Y 4 Alder: Isabelle S
- Y 5 Rowan: Ellis T
- Y 5 Hazel: Ava P
- Y 6 Birch: Benjamin T
- Y 6 Sycamore: Olivia H



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

Arbor App Update – Clubs

In an effort to make extracurricular activities more accessible, we will be transitioning to using Arbor when offering after-school clubs to parents. Moving forward, if your child would like to continue/join a school club, you will need to book your child's place by visiting the [Arbor app or Parent Portal](#). All payments for clubs will still be made through Parent Pay. For support on signing your child up for a club please [click here](#). To download the Arbor app, please [click here](#). We will be sending important messages and updates via the Arbor app.

Club letters, including details about each extracurricular club and how to register for them, will be sent out throughout the year. A summary of the after-school clubs that are already planned has been emailed to parents and [can be accessed on our website](#). Lunchtime clubs will also run, and it is likely that other after-school clubs will run throughout the year.



Summer Activities in the Bradford District

Paddle & Play Sessions: These sessions are open for individuals and families to hire or launch open canoes, kayaks and Paddleboards. [Click here](#) to find out more.

Children's Holiday Courses: There are a variety of summer holiday courses available for children aged 5+. [Click here](#) to find out more.

Bradford Barracudas Dragon Boat Club: A community club based at the centre, offering weekly dragon boat training sessions for individual adults and adult community groups. [Click here](#) for more information.



Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 96.37% The class with the highest attendance this week is **Elm & Cherry** with 100% attendance! All children have an attendance target of at least 97% and attendance that falls below 95% will be followed up.



School Lunch Menu — W/C: 15/07/2024 Week 3

Please [click here](#) for updated information and pricing for the school meal menu.



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 £2.30 per day/ £11.50 per week from Monday 1st April 2024.** Please ensure your Parent Pay 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.**

Monday: Pasta Bolognese, Halal Pasta Bolognese, Cheese Pasta Bake, Hot Cheese Baguette or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Wraps

Tuesday: Sausage in a Bun, Savoury Roll, Jacket Potatoes or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Sandwiches

Wednesday: Roast Turkey, Halal Roast Chicken, Quorn Toad in the Hole, Hot Cheese Baguette or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Wraps

Thursday: Cheese and Tomato Pizza, Quorn Sausage in a Bun, Jacket Potatoes or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Sandwiches

Friday: Fish Fingers, Cheese & Potato Flan, Hot Cheese Baguette or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Wraps

Bradford Libraries Summer Reading Challenge



Jill Cooke from Menston Library visited to tell the children about this year's Summer Reading Challenge. Children can register for the challenge at Menston library and other Bradford libraries from Saturday 6 July and this year's theme is 'Marvellous Makers'. The challenge runs every year throughout the summer holidays and all children aged 4-11 are welcome to take part. There will be lots of fun, creative activities taking place in Bradford's libraries over the summer and you can find out more about the challenge [here](#) or by popping in to Menston Library.

Key dates for Menston Library:

Thursday 25th July 11am: Learn to knit or crochet.

Thursday 8th August 11am: Paper sculpting.

Thursday 15th August 11am: Decorate fabric bags.

You must book a place for the events above. To book, please call Menston Library on 01943 876539

Summer Holiday Clubs

PE People



Join Mr Langan's Summer Holiday Club! Mr Langan is hosting exciting holiday clubs over a 5-week period this summer! Don't miss out on the fun and activities.

Schedule:

Week 1: 23rd, 25th, 26th July

Week 2: 29th July - 2nd August

Week 3: 5th August - 9th August

Week 4: 12th August - 16th August

Week 5: 19th August - 23rd August



A flyer with more information has been emailed to parents.

Pre-book now using the QR code to ensure your place!

Thursday 1st August, Tuesday 23rd & Wednesday 31st are fully booked.

Story Makers Holiday Club



A magical mixture of story telling, arts, crafts, games and baking at Menston Scout & Guide Hut!

Schedule:

Week 1: 29th July—2nd August

Week 2: 5th August—9th August

A flyer with more information has been emailed to parents.

To book, please email storymakersyorkshire@gmail.com or message 07894242144



FoMPS

We enjoyed two fantastic FoMPS events last



weekend. The summer fair had a great turnout despite the downpour halfway through. We are so grateful to all the staff and families who volunteered to make the event happen and to everyone who came along to support our school community. The fair has raised over £1,500. Then the women's walk took 30 members of our school family out to Ilkley and back on a lovely walk, reminding us how lucky we are to live in such a beautiful part of the world and to have each other supporting our parenting journey. This event raised £308 to add to the £900 raised by the YoMP. Thank you again to all those involved in organising these great events.

Dates to remember for 2024!



Monday 15th July: Meet the Teacher—a chance to meet your child's next class teacher

Friday 19th July: School Closes for Summer Holiday

Tuesday 3rd September: School Reopens

Friday 25th October: School Closes for October half-term

Monday 4th November: School Reopens

Friday 20th November: School Closes for Christmas Break

MVMNT Summer Courses

MVMNT Coaching will be offering their summer courses to ages 4 to 11 years. The course will involve a variety of sporting activities such as dodgeball, dance, gymnastics, multi-sports sessions and cheerleading.

To book a place for your child, please complete the application form and email it to mvmntcoaching@icloud.com



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