

Menston Primary School

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Friday 19th September 2025

Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

Mrs Gilmour and the SENDCOs from across Moorland's Learning Trust have been working to develop some new documents to help set out our commitment to SEND. There is a pledge and a parent / carer toolkit which can now be found on our school website here: [Special Educational Needs and Disabilities \(SEND\) | Menston Primary School](#). We hope you find these documents useful in knowing what you can expect for your child in relation to support for additional needs.

We also continue to work closely with Bradford Local Authority to continue to develop our provision for children with SEND. Fiona Whitaker, a specialist teacher for cognition and learning, remains our link teacher and already has lots of fantastic work planned to support our children this year.

Thank You

We'd like to thank all parents and carers for respecting our request not to bring dogs onto the school site, unless they are carried. Your cooperation helps us maintain a safe and welcoming environment for all our pupils and families.

Parking Around School

We'd like to remind parents and carers that the staff car park is for staff use only, and that accessible parking spaces must be kept clear for those who need them. There is plenty of parking available on nearby roads such as East Parade and Hawksworth Drive. Thank you for helping us keep our site safe and accessible for everyone.



Packed Lunches and Allergens

We kindly ask all parents and carers to ensure that children do not bring any food items containing nuts or sesame seeds in their packed lunches, Care Club snacks or morning break snacks. We have pupils with severe allergies, and avoiding these ingredients helps us maintain a safe environment for everyone. Thank you.

Dates for your diary: check [our website](#) for more!

Wednesday 24 September: Individual Pupil Photos

Saturday 27 September: Sibling Photos

Saturday 4 October: [Cross Country Event @ Ilkley Rugby Club](#)

Monday 13 October: Parents' Evening 3:30-6pm

Thursday 16 October: Parents' Evening 3:30-6pm

Wednesday 22 October: YR1 Trip to Ilkley Toy Museum & YR6 Trip to Saltaire

Thursday 23 October: School closes for October half-term

Friday 24 October: Training Day - School Closed

Monday 3 November: School reopens

Wednesday 12 November: Open morning event 9:30-11:00am

Saturday 15 November: Open morning event 10:00-12:00pm

Saturday 15 November: [Cross Country Event @ All Saints, Ilkley](#)

Lost Property

Please can we ask all families to come and check the lost property box at the school office. A reminder that all items such as coats, uniform, water bottles etc. should be named. Parents can order name labels from [Stikins](#) - support our fundraising initiative by quoting our fundraising number: **13253**

myHappymind

We are back in the swing of things with our myHappymind sessions.

Children across school are deepening their understanding of how the brain works. We have some lovely displays up around school and a number of calm areas which utilise some of our myHappymind resources such as conversation cards and happy breathing prompts. Please remember to sign up for the parent app if you haven't done so already, by scanning the QR code. Our Happiness Heroes will be busy this half-term helping us to secure funding for us to continue with this wonderful programme.



Emergency Contacts on the Arbor App

Please can we ask all parents/carers to download the Arbor app and add at least two (preferably three) emergency contacts onto their child's profile. Please view the 'Arbor' page on our website by [clicking here](#) for more information about the Arbor app. Parents should contact the office if anyone other than named contacts will be collecting your child from school, so that we can inform the class teacher. Urgent messages **must** be communicated via the office rather than year group emails, as these are not monitored throughout the school day.

School Lunch Menu - WC: 22/09/2025 Week 1

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 £2.75 per day/ £13.75 per week from Monday 1st September 2025.** 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**

Week 1:

Monday: Cheese Flan, Spicy Vegetable Spring Roll, Cheese Panini or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Wraps

Tuesday: Meat Lasagne, Halal Meat Lasagne, Vegetarian Mince Lasagne, Jacket Potatoes or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Sandwiches

Wednesday: Roast Meat Dinner, Halal Chicken Tikka Roast, Quorn Roast, Cheese Panini or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Wraps

Thursday: Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Meatless Ball Pizza, Jacket Potatoes or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Sandwiches

Friday: Chicken Goujons, Battered Fish, Cheese Panini or Ham, Cheese or Tuna Wraps

Sibling Photos

The sibling photos will take place at school on **Saturday 27th September** from 9am onwards. If you would like to book a slot, please contact Ross School Photography directly by calling 01943 968332 or emailing andrew@rossschoolphoto.co.uk

A reminder that the individual pupil photos are scheduled for Wednesday 24th September.

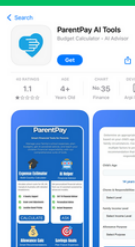
Vacancies

We currently have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor 11:45am-12:45pm, 5 hours per week. For more information and to apply for this role, please [click here](#).

Bradford Council's Facilities Management are seeking a cleaner to work at MPS. Please [click here](#) for more information and details on how to apply.

Fraudulent App - Security Alert

We have been made aware of a fraudulent app currently available on app stores that schools need to be aware of. The app mimics ParentPay's branding, but it is not affiliated with ParentPay. ParentPay has stated that it will release an app later this year, but it is not currently available. Please see the photo above.



PE People October Holiday Club

Bookings are now open for Mr Langan's October half-term clubs! This year includes an optional fancy dress day on 31st October, trick-or-treat bag making, and brand-new activities like UV Dodgeball.



Spaces are limited - book now by [clicking here](#) to secure your child's place!



Year 7 Transition Open Days

- **St Mary's Menston:** [Saturday 27th September 11am - 2pm](#)
- **Ilkley Grammar School:** [Wednesday 1st October 6pm-8pm](#)
- **Prince Henry's Grammar School:** [Monday 6th October 6pm-8:30pm](#)
- **Guiselley School:** [Saturday 11th October from 9am](#)

Useful Links for Parents

- **Cool Milk:** if you would like to register your child to receive milk in school, please do so via the [Cool Milk website](#). For more information regarding school milk, visit our [website here](#).
- **Stikins:** [click here](#) to order name labels for your child's uniform. Quote our Fundraising Number: 13253 and we will earn 30% commission on orders!
- **Medicine & Leave of Absence Forms:** [click here](#) to visit our website's 'Useful Forms' page, where you can download medicine and Leave of Absence forms.
- **ParentPay:** to make online payments for school lunches and trips, [click here](#).
- **Arbor:** [click here](#) to view our website's Arbor page with direct links to download the app on Android and IOS.

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