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Thursday 23rd October 2025

Friday 24th October - School Closed

A reminder that school will be **closed tomorrow, Friday 24th October**. We look forward to welcoming families back to school on **Monday 3rd November** after the half-term break.

Music & Arts Week

This week has been Music and Arts week in school. The week started with a launch assembly where KS2 were entertained with music from Nicholas, Lucy and Nile. The theme for the week was inspirational black artists, which links to Black History Month. Children have created some amazing artwork inspired by the Brazilian artist, Romero Britto, and listened to a variety of music genres from black composers and singers. Some of our artwork will soon be displayed in Menston library, so watch this space!



Year 6 Trip to Saltaire

Year Six had a fantastic day exploring Saltaire in the sunshine on Thursday. We visited Salts Mill to view the new Hockney exhibition, 20 Flowers, linking with our unit on painting and mixed media in Art. We also had the chance to experience the Bradford 2025 Capital of Culture exhibit 'We Will Sing.' In the afternoon, we toured Saltaire village (linked to our history topic on the Industrial Revolution), focusing on identifying features of the village and houses that reflected Salt's philanthropic achievements. Using our geographical mapping skills, we navigated the village, marked specific locations and identified buildings from different time periods. Finally, we researched the history of Roberts Park and examined landmarks such as the Sir Titus Salt statue, the bronze alpaca and the bandstand. Our journey was generously funded by Lancashire Rail, and the children thoroughly enjoyed their train trip.



The Beeches Harvest Festival Performance

KS1 enjoyed performing their Harvest Festival Celebration to residents of The Beeches. They thoroughly enjoyed our performance and can't wait to come back to watch our Nativity in December!



Poppy Appeal 2025

We are pleased to be supporting the Poppy Appeal in school again this year. From Monday 3rd November we will be selling poppies, snap bands and keyrings to children of all year groups for a small donation. Suggested donation for poppies is 20p and £1 for all other products.



Bradford's SENDiVERSE Festival

Taking place during October half-term, SENDiVERSE festival activities are FREE and include a sound bath, circus skills, Bollywood dancing, arts & crafts sessions, nature walks, film making and much more. Take a look at the website by [clicking here](#) for full details of each activity. Some activities require prior booking as spaces are limited.

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

Thursday 23 October: School closes for October half-term

Friday 24 October: Training Day - School Closed

Monday 3 November: School reopens

Wednesday 12 & Thursday 13 November: Open morning event 9:30-11:00am

Saturday 15 November: Open morning event 10:00-12:00pm (Y6 Helpers Needed!)

Saturday 15 November: [Cross Country Event @ Ilkley Swimming Baths](#)

A Message from Menston Library:

Next Thursday Menston Library will be celebrating 'Green Libraries Week.' At 2:30pm there will be a reading of 'Meet the Oceans' alongside two lovely crafting activities. All are welcome to attend.

Please remember books are borrowed for up to three weeks. If books have been reported lost and can't be found, payment must be made for them before any further books can be borrowed.

The library is open on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 10:00am-1:00pm and 2:00 -5:00pm and on Saturdays 9:00am-1:00pm.

Please make sure your child has their library card with them whenever they visit the library.

Bradford Libraries SENDiVERSE Events

Libraries across the Bradford District will be hosting a variety of events for SEND children this October half-term. Booking is essential.

Parents and carers will have received an overview of the events with information of how to book via email today.

School Lunch Menu - WC: 03/11/2025 Week 1

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

School meals are free for all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. **For Years 3 to 6, the cost of school meals is £2.75 per day/ £13.75 per week.** 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 or email michelle.thomas@bradford.gov.uk**

Monday: Southern Fried Chicken Goujons, Halal Chicken Nuggets, Vegetable Dippers, Spaghetti Marinara, Cheese Panini or Wraps

Tuesday: Chicken Tikka Masala, Mac n Cheese, Arrabiata Pasta, Jacket Potatoes or Sandwiches

Wednesday: Roast Meat Dinner, Halal Roast Chicken Dinner, Pasta Bolognese, Cheese Panini or Wraps

Thursday: Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Rainbow Veg Pizza, Pomodoro Pasta, Jacket Potatoes or Sandwiches

Friday: Lasagne, Vegetable Lasagne, Bombay Biryani, Cheese Panini or Wraps

Vacancies

We currently have the following vacancies at school:

- Care Club Session Supervisor, 16.25 hrs, Mon-Fri

If you would like any more information about this post, please [click here](#) to view our website's vacancies page.

Please note: Applications must be made through our [website](#) only. We cannot accept CVs.



FoMPS are looking for your input to help us provide a year of great events and fundraising. We would really appreciate it if you could complete this short [Google form](#) to let us know what you want from your PTA to improve your child's school year. Thank you.

Susan Hughes Performance Drama School

The Susan Hughes Performance Drama School will be running a one-day workshop for children on Monday 22nd December at The Queen's Hall in Burley from 9am-3:30pm. Children will take part in Christmas themed dance routines and drama pieces, as well as Christmas crafts and art activities. Spaces fill up quickly. To book a place, contact Sue on 07806640661



Appeal for Board Games & Jigsaws

Care Club would appreciate donations of board games and jigsaws (100-300 pieces) that are in good condition. Donations can be dropped off at Care Club or at the school office.

School Admissions for 2026

The [online admissions system](#) will be available for Reception applications from 17th November 2025 until 15th January 2026 for children born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022.

The application window for Year 7 for entry in 2026 is 12 September 2025 to 31 October 2025.

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.



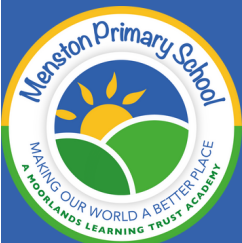
Spaces are limited - book now by [clicking here](#) to secure your child's place!

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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