

# **Menston Primary School**

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Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2025

#### Scholastic Book Fair

This year's Scholastic Book Fair will be held from **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November, 8:15 - 8:35am and 3:15 - 4:00pm.** Books will be available to purchase before and after school from the link building. Families should enter via the Care Club entrance on Main Street. **You will be asked to scan a QR code at the fair to purchase books online. You will need your card details to hand. <u>Apple Pay is not supported.</u> We cannot accept any** 

**cash/card/cheques.** Pupils who attend Care Club can choose a book, which will be reserved for them until their parent makes payment online, using <u>this link.</u> Once payment has been made, children will be given their chosen books. Order forms will also be available at the book fair and at Care Club. Happy reading!



### **Online Safety Newsletter**

This month's edition of the Knowsley City Online Safety Newsletter has been published. This edition focuses on the recent WhatsApp update and age ratings for popular apps. Parents and carers can view the newsletter from our website by <u>clicking here.</u> A copy has also been emailed alongside this newsletter.

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Today, parents and carers will have also received a digital flyer from The National College, detailing important information about the increasingly popular mobile game 'Pokemon TCG Pocket.' The flyer includes advice for parents and useful information about the game.



# Odd Socks Day 2025

This year's <u>Odd Socks Day</u> will be held on **Monday 10th November**. Adults and children are encouraged to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. Odd Socks Day marks the start of Anti-Bullying Week. It is supported by cBeebies presenter & ABA patron Andy Day and his band 'Andy and the Odd Socks'. Parents and Carers can find out more by clicking here.



#### **Christmas Cards**

The Dandy Art House have delivered samples of the Christmas Cards today. They have been sent home with your child this evening.

If you would like to order a Christmas Card, please place an order with <u>The Dandy Arthouse directly via their website</u>, **before midnight on 19 November 2025.** On the back of the sample card, there is a unique design code for your child.

Please direct any enquiries to The Dandy Arthouse directly.

# Remember, Remember the 5<sup>th</sup> of November!

KS1 children learnt about the history of Guy Fawkes and The Gunpowder Plot. Pupils learnt about The Firework Code and enjoyed a creative afternoon making rockets, stick puppets, pastel artwork and much more.



#### **Vacancies**

We currently have the following vacancies at school:

 Fixed Term Teaching Assistant, Mon-Fri, 8:30am-3:15pm

If you would like any more information about this post, please <u>click here</u> to view our website's vacancies page.

Please note: applications must be made through our website. We cannot accept CVs.

### Dates for your diary: check our website for more!

Monday 10 November: Odd Socks Day 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: <u>Cross Country Event @ I</u>lkley Swimming Baths

W/C Monday 17 November: Scholastic Book Fair Saturday 6 December: Menston Christmas Light Switch On Event

Tuesday 9 December: Reception Nativity @ 9:30am Wednesday 10 December: Reception Nativity @ 2:30pm

Friday 12 December: Christmas Jumper Day & Whole School Christmas Dinner

Monday 15 December: LKS2 Christmas Performance @ 9:00am & 2:00pm

Tuesday 16 December: UKS2 Christmas Performance @ 9:00am & 2:00pm, KS1 Christmas Party @ 1pm Wednesday 17 December: Year 4 Christmas Party @ 1pm, KS1 Nativity @ 2:30pm

# **Christmas Performances**

Details regarding Christmas performances will be sent to parents nearer the time. All the dates for our Christmas events have been posted on our website calendar, which you can view by <u>clicking here</u>.

## School Lunch Menu - WC: 10/11/2025 Week 2

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: Battered Fish Fillet, Vegetable Pakoras, Arrabiata Pasta, Cheese Panini or Wraps

Tuesday: Creamy Chicken Pasta, Vegetable Samosa, BBQ Quorn Pasta, Jacket Potatoes or Sandwiches Wednesday: Roast Meat Dinner, Halal Roast Chicken Dinner, Spicy Pepper Pasta, Cheese Panini or Wraps Thursday: Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Savoury Rolls, Spaghetti Marinara, Jacket Potatoes or Sandwiches Friday: Beef & Lentil Bolognaise, Halal Keema Biryani, Mexican Style Burrito, Cheese Panini or Wraps

FoMPS will be partnering with the Menston Christmas Light Switch On event again this year. This fabulous community event will take place on **Saturday 6**th December from 1pm until the village lights are switched on at 4.45pm. Organisation of the event is in full swing, but we need your support to make it happen. Do you (or someone you know) run or work for a local business who would like to donate a raffle prize? In the past we have had some fantastic prizes including airline flights, beauty vouchers, activity experiences, class passes, toys, luxury hampers and gift sets. Businesses benefit from free advertising on our social media and at this great community event itself. Any offers of prizes can be emailed to fompsinfo@gmail.com

We also need volunteers to make the event happen, if you could spare just an hour or two of your time to help with setting up the event or running a stall, then please complete this form.

# Susan Hughes Performance Drama School

The Susan Hughes Performance Drama School will be running a one-day workshop for children on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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

### **Menston Scouting & Guiding**

Menston Scouting and Guiding will be hosting a festive coffee, cake and stalls events at Kirkland's Community Centre on Saturday 8th November 2025, 1:30-4:30pm. There will be festive stalls, tea, coffee and homemade cakes available. All proceeds will go towards fundraising a new HQ in Menston.

#### **School Admissions for 2026**

The <u>online admissions system</u> 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.

# **Ilkley Rugby Session**

Ilkley Rugby Club will be running an open afternoon on Sunday 16 November for girls aged 8-16 years who are interested in finding out more about rugby and getting stuck into some fun training exercises with the view to building Ilkley's first ever female teams. All abilities are welcome. The session will run 1-3pm at Ilkley Rugby Club. For more information, please email petesmall.ilkleyrfc@gmail.com

#### **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
- 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.

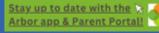


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