



Menston Primary School

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Friday 12th December 2025

Christmas Jumper Day

It was wonderful to see so many children getting into the festive spirit with their Christmas jumpers! Thank you to everyone who has already contributed to our fundraising efforts for 'Save the Children'. If you'd still like to make a donation, you can do so by [clicking here](#). Every contribution helps us to reach our goal and makes a real difference.



Reception's Nativity Shows

We are so proud of our Reception children, who shone brightly in their two Christmas nativity performances this week. Their enthusiasm, confidence, and joy truly captured the spirit of the season, and it was wonderful to see them share their hard work with our school community. A heartfelt thank you to all families who joined us and supported the children—your presence made the performances even more special.



KS2 Rocksteady Concert

On Thursday, our Rocksteady bands performed in their first ever live concert. Each band performed brilliantly and showcased all that they have learnt since September. It was a wonderful show and was enjoyed by all who attended. Well done to all the children. We can't wait for the next concert at Easter!



Polite Reminder about Parking around School

We kindly ask all parents and carers to be considerate when parking near school. A local resident has recently contacted us to raise concerns about cars blocking driveways and parking dangerously at the ends of roads and junctions. This is particularly affecting residents living on Garth Grove. Please ensure that you park safely, legally and with respect for our neighbours. By doing so, we help keep our community safe and maintain positive relationships with those living nearby.

Singing Children of Africa

We are delighted to announce that our 'Loose Change' collection is now up and running in support of Educate the Kids, a wonderful charity that transforms lives through education and music. This organisation provides schooling, resources and opportunities for children in Kenya, helping them to build brighter futures and share their incredible talents with the world. Your donations will go directly towards funding essential educational materials, meals and community projects that make a real difference to these children and their families. If you are attending any of our Christmas concerts over the next two weeks, please bring along any coins that you can spare and drop them into our collection boxes. Every penny counts and will help change lives! Thank you for your generosity and support.

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

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

Monday 15 December: Y6 Bradford Cathedral Trip

Tuesday 16 December: UKS2 Christmas Performance @ 9:00am & 2:00pm, KS1 Christmas Party

Wednesday 17 December: Year 4 Christmas Party @ 1pm, KS1 Nativity @ 2:00pm

Thursday 18 December: Year 5 Christmas Party, KS1 Nativity @ 2:00pm

Friday 19 December: Year 3 Christmas Party, Reception Christmas Party, Year 6 Christmas Movie Afternoon & **School closes at 3:15pm for Christmas Holidays (Care Club will remain open till 6pm)**

Tuesday 6 January: School reopens for Spring term

Christmas Performances

We are delighted to welcome families to our upcoming Christmas performances. **You do not need to book tickets in advance.** To ensure fairness and comply with fire regulations, we kindly ask that **for years 1-6, each child is allowed one adult per performance.** We must adhere to these limits so that every child has the opportunity to have at least one adult present. Reception and KS1 parents should enter via the school office. LKS2 and UKS2 parents should enter via the Victorian building on Main Street. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Lost Property

The lost property box will be cleared next **Thursday 18th December**. Anything left will be donated to FoMPS. Please can we ask all families to come and check the box at the school office before then.



Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 96.1%. Our school attendance for the year to date is 96.56%. The class with the highest attendance this week is **Hazel** with 99.3% attendance! All children have an attendance target of at least 97% and attendance that falls below 95% will be followed up.

School Lunch Menu - WC: 15/12/2025 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 Bolognaise, 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



We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped with the Christmas fair at the village Light Switch On event last Saturday. Thank you to those who volunteered on the day and in the run-up to the event, those who donated to the various stalls or sold raffle tickets and to everyone who came along to support us on the day. You all helped to make our Christmas Fair a success; we couldn't have done it without you!

Initial reports suggest we have made over **£2,000** to fund a range of projects which will enhance our children's school experience.

Thank you from the FoMPS team 😊

Reading for Pleasure

A special thank you to FOMPS for funding our custom-made book houses. These are soon to be erected in each of the playgrounds and filled with wonderful texts for children to enjoy reading at playtime.



Susan Hughes Performance Drama School

The Susan Hughes Performance Drama School will be running a one-day dance, drama and crafting workshop for children on Monday 22nd December at The Queen's Hall, Burley from 9am-3:30pm. To book a place, contact Sue on 07806640661

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.

PE People Holiday Club

We're excited to share that Mr Langan's Holiday Clubs will be running throughout the Christmas break! Children can enjoy a fun-filled mix of sports, games and festive activities in a safe, energetic environment.

Places are limited, so early booking is recommended. For more details and booking information [click here](#) or email Mr Langan: charles.langan@pepeople.co.uk



School's Out @ Cornerstone Cafe

Every Friday evening after school, 3:15-4:30pm, the Cornerstone Cafe invites parents, carers and children of ages to come along for board games and an affordable range of refreshments, including a wide range of hot and cold drinks, including hot chocolates, milkshakes, and a range of sweet and savoury treats and snacks. It's a great way to relax with friends at the start of the weekend!



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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