



# Menston Primary School

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Friday 30th January 2026

## NSPCC Number Day

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 6th February 2026**. By raising money, we can help the NSPCC to fund their vital services such as Childline – the helpline that's always there for children and young people whatever their problem or concern. NSPCC's Number Day makes maths meaningful and is a great way to make numbers fun and bring about a positive, 'can-do' attitude towards mathematics. We plan to have a fun day of maths activities, and we will be taking part in 'Dress up for Digits.' Pupils are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it (sports top, football, rugby, netball, hockey shirt or cap). Please see the letter sent out to parents and carers last week for further details.

## Founders Day - Cake Sale Fundraiser

After the huge success of previous years, we are holding a cake sale to celebrate Founders Day (a significant day in the Scouting Calendar) to raise money for the much-needed new Scout and Guide Headquarters in Menston. **The cake sale will be held on Friday 13th February, after school, 3:15-3:45pm in the UKS2 playground.** Cash and card payments will be accepted. We are politely requesting that families bring homemade or shop bought cakes into school on the morning of Friday 13th February to sell at the end of the day. All cakes should be nut and sesame free and clearly labelled for those with allergies. Children part of the Scouting and Guiding movements are welcome to wear their uniform into school that day to raise awareness of the cause. A selection of treats will be available to those children who attend Care Club on a Friday afternoon should they wish to purchase a cake to take home (cash donations only please). Please support us to raise funds for this proposed community asset and let's see if we can surpass the money raised in previous years! Thank you for your continued support and helping to Make Our World (and Village!) a Better Place.

## Online Safety Parent/Carer Session

For those who missed the recent parent/carers online safety webinar hosted by Knowsley City Council on Wednesday, they have uploaded the recording onto their website. If you would like to view this informative session, please [click here](#).

## Polite Reminder About Punctuality and Appointments

This week alone, we have had **30** children arrive late, and **23** children leave early for appointments during the school day. The school gates are open from 8:35 to 8:45am, and children should be dropped off during these times to ensure a smooth and settled start to the school day. Where possible, please arrange medical and dental appointments outside of school hours, as frequent early departures or late arrivals can disrupt whole class learning. We understand this is not always possible but appreciate your support and cooperation.

## Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 96.21%. Our school attendance for the year to date is 96.51%. The class with the highest attendance this week is **Willow** with 99.3% attendance! All children have an attendance target of at least 97% and attendance that falls below 95% will be followed up.

## Car Seat Checks

Bradford Road Safety have once again teamed up with Good Egg Safety to run child car seat checking events across West Yorkshire.

The next event will be held at South Hawksworth Street Car Park, Ilkley, LS29 9DX, 10am-3pm. For more information, please [click here](#). The event includes a FREE professional check and child seat fitting guidance, and helpful resources.



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

Saturday 31 January: Cross Country Event @ Ashlands Primary **CANCELLED!**

Friday 6 February: NSPCC Number Day & FoMPS AGM

Saturday 7 February: Cross Country Event @ Ghyll Royd School

Friday 13 February: World Founders Day Bake Sale & School closes at 3:15pm for February half-term (Care Club will remain open till 6:00pm)

Monday 23 February: School reopens

Saturday 28 February: Cross Country Event @ Ashlands Primary School (KS2 Only)

## FoMPS AGM

The Friends of Menston Primary School (FoMPS)'s Annual General Meeting will take place on **Friday 6th February, 3.30pm-4pm**, in the Menston Primary School library. Refreshments will be provided. Chair and finance reports, as well as proposed school funding projects and proposals to keep FoMPS events running in 2026, will be presented on the night but if you would like any copies in advance please email [fompsinfo@gmail.com](mailto:fompsinfo@gmail.com)

Voting by proxy in support of the secretary can be given by [clicking here](#). We look forward to seeing you there - **Friends of Menston Primary School Committee**

## School Lunch Menu - WC: 02/02/2026 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](mailto: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 Bolognese, Halal Keema Biryani, Mexican Style Burrito, Cheese Panini or Wraps

**\*Please note: halal options are strictly reserved for halal children\***

## Events in the Bradford District

As the new year begins, it's the perfect moment to look ahead at all the incredible events and shows coming to the Bradford district in 2026. From festivals celebrating gaming to performances by rock legends, classic musicals, and vibrant celebrations of food and heritage, there's so much to enjoy. [Click here](#) to discover everything you can experience when you visit Bradford this year.

- [Real Food Market Ilkley](#), Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 10am-3pm, The Grove, Ilkley. A celebration of locally produced fine food and drink in the heart of Ilkley, on the first Sunday of every month.
- [Click here](#) to view events taking place at Bradford Libraries.

## Vivace Youth Choir

Is your child ready to find their voice? We are looking for young singers, (8 years and upwards), to join our friendly choir. We sing traditional, pop and songs from the musicals in two or three parts. We rehearse every Thursday evening 6.15-7.15pm during term time at the Menston Methodist Church, and it won't cost you a penny. Being part of a choir is about much more than just music; it builds confidence, boosts self-esteem and develops resilience. A few of our choir members have also joined bands, auditioned for musical theatre and TV! For more information, please contact Hannah Flinn on 07814 978845 or Katrina Smith on 07595 473267.

## FoMPS

If you are looking to purchase pre-loved, good quality uniform, please email [fompsuniform@gmail.com](mailto:fompsuniform@gmail.com).

We currently have high stock levels in most ages.

## PE People Half-Term Holiday Club

Mr Langan will be running his February half-term Holiday Clubs with PE People.

Children can enjoy a week filled with exciting activities, including sports and outdoor games (weather dependent). For February Half Term only, sessions will take place at Menston Scout Hut, with access to the nearby field-children are welcome to bring football boots. All sessions will run with the same high standards of care, activities, and staff. Bookings can be made by [clicking here](#).



## Susan Hughes Performance Drama School

Susan Hughes Drama School will be running a holiday camp in the February half-term. The camp theme is 'Wicked for Good,' and will be held at The Queen's Hall in Burley from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> till Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 9:00am - 3:30pm. Parents are invited to a performance at 3:30pm on the Friday afternoon. The camp is open to children aged 4 and above. Please contact Sue on 07806 640661 to book a 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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