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Friday 24th April 2026

Y6 Girls Football

Well done to our Year 6 girls football team for winning the Champions League Final on Wednesday. They showed fantastic teamwork, determination and skill throughout the tournament and represented Menston Primary School brilliantly. A huge congratulations to the whole team on a well-deserved victory.



Online Safety - YouTube

Alongside this newsletter, we are sharing an information sheet from The National College titled 'What Parents & Educators Need to Know about YouTube.' It highlights some of the potential risks for children and young people, including exposure to inappropriate content, interactions with strangers, online trends and challenges, and the impact of autoplay and short-form videos on screen time and focus. The guide also offers practical advice for families, such as using YouTube Kids or supervised accounts, setting parental controls, checking privacy settings, and watching content together to encourage open conversations about online safety. We encourage all parents and carers to take a few moments to read this helpful resource.



September 2026 Intake

Now that Reception places for September 2026 have been offered, we are pleased to let you know that we still have a small number of places available. We are very much looking forward to welcoming our new Reception starters. Families who have been offered a place will be contacted very soon with further information about transition arrangements. If you know of any families who may be interested in finding out more about our school or who are still considering their options for Reception 2026, we would be very grateful if you could share this information with them. Parents who would like to find out more or book a school tour are very welcome to contact the school office by email at office@menston.mlt.co.uk or by telephone on 01943 873180. We would also like to remind families who have received an offer for Reception 2026 to please formally accept their place by emailing the school office.

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

Monday 4 May: School Closed - Bank Holiday
Monday 11 May: Y6 SATs Week (Mon - Thurs)
Thursday 14 May: Reception Trip to Hesketh Farm
Tuesday 19 May: Y6 Residential to Great Tower
Friday 22 May: Y6 to return from their Residential & School Closes for May Half-Term (Care Club to remain open till 6pm)
Monday 1 June: School Closed - Training Day
Tuesday 2 June: School Reopens
Thursday 4 June: Y5 Trip to Cartwright Hall

Menston Library

On Thursday 30th April at 3:30pm, Menston Library will be hosting local children's author and illustrator, Hannah Welch, who will be reading her picture book, 'Some Brothers and Some Sisters'. Everyone is welcome to attend. To find out more about Hannah's work, please [click here](#).



Look out for fun volunteering opportunities coming up along with these two great events happening next term: the YOMP men's walk event will take place on **Saturday 27th June 2026**. Start with bacon butties and tea/coffee at the Malt Shovel before taking the coach to Burnsall to hike back through the fabulous Yorkshire Dales, via various refreshment stops, to Menston. To secure your seat on the coach, [click here](#) to buy your ticket now. Tickets are now available for the WOMP women's walk on **Saturday 13th June 2026**. Please [click here](#) to purchase your ticket. Join us for some summer fun on a walk in our beautiful countryside with food, drinks and a luxury raffle!

Bradford Child Car Seat Checking Events

Bradford Council will be hosting free car and road safety events:

Thursday 14th May – in partnership with Good Egg Safety and TyreSafe, there will be a free child car seat & tyre checks at Tesco Superstore, Canal Road, Bradford from 10am till 3pm.

Thursday 21st May – in partnership with Keighley Town Council Road Safety event in the Airedale Shopping Centre, Keighley from 1 till 4pm.

School Lunch Menu - WC: 27/04/2026 Week 3

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: Meat Lasagne, Vegetarian Mince Lasagne, BBQ Quorn with Rice, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

Tuesday: Chicken Pie, Golden Cheese Whirl, Arrabiata Pasta, Cheese Panini, or Sandwiches

Wednesday: Sausage Pie, Halal Roast Chicken Breast, Quorn Roast Dinner, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

Thursday: Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Meatless Ball Pizza, Indian-Style Sausage Rolls, Cheese Panini, or Sandwiches

Friday: Fish Fingers, Vegetable Pakoras, Veg Pasta, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

Please note: halal options are strictly reserved for halal children

Events in the Bradford District

Bolling Hall: Bolling Hall is set to burst into colour this spring as the Cherry Blossom Festival returns on Sunday 26th April, bringing a beautiful celebration of nature to one of Bradford's oldest landmarks.






Saltaire Arts Trail: running from 2nd-4th May, with artists opening up homes, studios and creative spaces to showcase contemporary work. You can browse at your own pace, explore the popular Makers Fair at Victoria Hall (entry is £3, with under-16s free), and enjoy hands-on activities for all ages.

1940s Weekend: Step into the spirit of the 1940s with this immersive heritage event. Enjoy steam train rides, live wartime music, vintage stalls, military vehicle displays, and costumed re-enactments across the scenic Keighley & Worth Valley Railway line.

Menston Arts Club

Menston Arts Club will be celebrating their 60th anniversary on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th May 2026 with an art exhibition at the Kirklands Community Centre, Main Street. The exhibition will be held from 10:30am to 4:30pm. Entry is free. There will be craft displays, a raffle and refreshments are available. To learn more about the Menston Arts Club, please visit their website: www.menstonartsclub.co.uk

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. 

Attendance

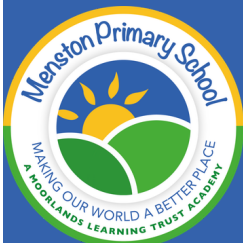
This week's whole school attendance was 97.7%. Our school attendance for the year to date is 96.62%. The class with the highest attendance this week is **Oak** with 99.7% attendance!

Online Safety Session

Knowsley City Council will be hosting a virtual online safety information session on Wednesday 6th May 4:00 - 4:45pm for parents and carers. The focus of the session will be social media and livestreaming. The link to attend the session will be sent one week before the session date.

Bradford Council - Living Well Newsletter

We would like to share the latest Living Well Bradford newsletter from Bradford Council, which is packed with helpful information, local support, and free activities for individuals and families. Topics include mental wellbeing, staying active, community events, support for children and young people, and training opportunities across the district. Parents and carers may find this newsletter particularly useful for ideas on keeping healthy and connected. You can read the full newsletter [here](#).



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