



# Menston Primary School

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Friday 8th May 2026

## Year 4 & 5 Bikeability

We would like to congratulate our Year 4 and Year 5 pupils on successfully completing their Bikeability training this week. The children received excellent feedback from the Bikeability team, reflecting their effort, enthusiasm, and positive attitude throughout. We were especially proud of those pupils who began the week as non-riders or with limited experience and initially felt apprehensive about participating. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow so significantly over such a short amount of time. Their determination and resilience have been truly commendable. Well done to all!

## Pond Dipping

Over the past month, our Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 children have all visited the school pond to investigate the thriving habitat. They were excited to find frogs laying frogspawn, a dragonfly emerging from its nymph stage, a wide range of invertebrate pond life and both smooth and crested newts. Our pond was recently restored by parent volunteers with FoMPS funding, so it is really encouraging to know it is a flourishing ecosystem and is benefitting the science and outdoor learning curriculums for our children once more.

## Online Safety Parent/Carer Session

Earlier this week, Knowsley City Council hosted a virtual online safety information session for parents and carers. The focus of the session was social media and livestreaming. Parents and carers can access the link to watch the recording of the presentation by [clicking here](#).



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

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 at 3:15pm 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  
Friday 12 June: Y6 Trip to Harewood House  
Saturday 13 June: FoMPS WOMP  
Monday 15 June: Y1 Trip to Lotherton Hall  
Monday 22 June: LKS2 Sports Day AM  
Monday 29 June: UKS2 Sports Day AM

## Vacancies

We are seeking caring, enthusiastic individuals who enjoy working with children to join our before and after school Care Club.

To find out more about this position, [please visit our website's vacancy page by clicking here](#). Applications should be made through our website.

Please note: we cannot accept CVs.



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 27<sup>th</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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! **The FoMPS Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July, 12:00 - 3:00pm.**

## Lost Property

A reminder to all families to please come and check the lost property box at the school office on St Peter's Way. The box will be cleared out at the end of this half-term. Any unclaimed uniform will be donated to FoMPS.

## School Lunch Menu - WC: 11/05/2026 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:** Chicken Curry, Mac n Cheese, Mascarpone Pasta, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

**Tuesday:** Cheese & Onion Pasty, Savoury Roll, BBQ Quorn with Rice, Cheese Panini, or Sandwiches

**Wednesday:** Roast Meat Dinner, Halal Roast Chicken Dinner, Toad in the Hole, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

**Thursday:** Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Tuna & Sweetcorn Pizza, Arrabiata Pasta, Cheese Panini, or Sandwiches

**Friday:** Salmon & Sweet Potato, Halal Chicken Burger, Quorn Burger, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

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

## Keeping Children Safe Online

Alongside today's newsletter, we are sharing guidance that has been sent to all schools across the district by Bradford's Education Safeguarding Team. The information relates to a current online trend involving children's toys and highlights some safety messages and advice for parents and carers. We are sharing this with you as a precaution, so that you are aware and can have calm, supportive conversations at home if appropriate. There is no suggestion that our children will access this content or be tempted to carry out the challenge, but we hope you find the guidance helpful in supporting your child(ren) to stay safe and make informed choices. We have been advised that parents, school staff and professionals should avoid searching for this challenge directly on social media platforms, as each search can feed the algorithm and increase the visibility of this content to others.

## Menston Arts Club

Menston Arts Club will be celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.menstonartsclub.co.uk)

## Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 97.2%. The class with the highest attendance this week is **Holly** and **Acorn** with 100% attendance! Our school attendance for the year to date is 96.64%.

## PE People May Holiday Club

Mr Langan is excited to announce that PE People will be running Holiday Clubs from 26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> May. Spaces are limited, so book now to avoid missing out!

Please [click here](#) to book a place.

## Susan Hughes Performance Drama School

Susan Hughes Performance Drama School will be holding their Summer Holiday Camps again this year. The camps are held at The Queens Hall in Burley, 9:00am - 3:00pm.

**Week 1:** 'The Magic of Disney' 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> August

**Week 2:** 'Matilda' 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> August

**Week 3:** 'The Wizard of Oz' 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> August

To reserve a place, please contact Sue on 07806640661



## 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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