



Menston Primary School

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Friday 1st May 2026

Absence Procedures Reminder

A reminder to all families that absences must always be reported to the school office and not to your child's class teacher / senior leadership. If your child has a medical or dental appointment, please email office@menston.mlt.co.uk with a photo of the appointment confirmation (e.g. a screenshot of the confirmation text/email or appointment letter). If your child will be absent for a holiday or family event, please complete a Leave of Absence form - these are available to [download from our website](#) or paper copies are available from the school office.

Online Safety Newsletter & Parent/Carer Information Session

The May edition of the Knowsley City Council Online Safety Newsletter has been published. This month's newsletter focuses on group chats, Roblox and age ratings. Parents and carers can view the newsletter by [clicking here](#). 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. Parents and carers can access the link to attend the session by [clicking here](#).



CORAM SCARF Parent Information Session

Thank you to those parents and carers of children in Years 4, 5 and 6 who were able to attend last night's CORAM SCARF relationships and puberty information session. We hope you found the session informative and reassuring. For anyone who would like further information and guidance, CORAM SCARF have a helpful page, Helping Your Children to Understand Changes at Puberty, available [here](#). This resource is useful for parents across the whole primary age range, as it offers clear, age-appropriate guidance on starting and continuing conversations about bodies, feelings and relationships, helping children feel confident, prepared and supported as they grow and develop.

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

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 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! The FoMPS Summer Fair will take place on Saturday 11th July, 12:00 - 3:00pm.

Year 2's Cliffe Castle Trip

Children in Year 2 enjoyed a trip to Cliffe Castle Museum in Keighley.

The trip was linked to science and pupils learnt lots from taking part in the biodiversity workshops.

A fun day was had by all!



School Lunch Menu - WC: 04/05/2026 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: Beef & Red Lentil Bolognese, Soya Mince Chilli, Quorn Hot Dog, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

Tuesday: Pork & Apple Whirl, Halal Chicken & Spinach Curry, Pomodoro Pasta, Cheese Panini, or Sandwiches

Wednesday: Roast Meat Dinner, Halal Roast Chicken Dinner, Golden Cheese Roll, Jacket Potatoes, or Sandwiches

Thursday: Cheese & Tomato Pizza, Veg & Cheese Tortilla Wrap, Arrabiata Pasta, Cheese Panini, or Sandwiches

Friday: Fish Fingers, Arrabiata 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 97.1%. The class with the highest attendance this week is **Hazel** with 99.7% attendance! Our school attendance for the year to date is 96.63%.

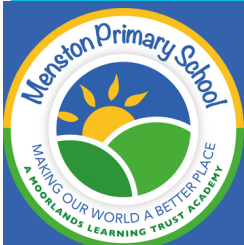
PE People May Holiday Club

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

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

Parent & Carer Support Group

The Bradford and Craven NHS Mental Health Support Team will be holding an online parent support group to offer a safe and welcoming space to explore ways of supporting a child's emotional wellbeing and that of the parent. The session will be held on Wednesday 6th May at 10:30am or 7:00pm via Microsoft Teams. To register your interest and receive a joining link, please email: MHSTParentSupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com This session's topic is 'Keep Learning - Feel it, Name it, Tame it.'



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