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Friday 11th September 2026

Ofsted Inspection

As we come to the end of a very significant week for our school, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support throughout our Ofsted inspection this week.

Firstly, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone who found the time to complete the Ofsted Parent View survey. The responses from our families were overwhelmingly positive and the lead inspector commented that she has rarely seen a survey with such consistently positive responses across all areas. It was particularly pleasing to hear that these responses align so closely with the findings from our own parent survey conducted during the summer term. Your feedback has helped to validate what we know and value so highly about our school: that it is a safe, happy and nurturing place where children can thrive.

I would also like to thank the many parents and carers who have shared messages of encouragement and support this week, both in person and via email. These kind words have meant a great deal to our staff team and have been genuinely appreciated. It has been wonderful to feel such strong support from our school community.

Many of you will understandably be keen to hear the outcome of the inspection. However, we are not yet in a position to share any detailed information as the inspection report must now go through a rigorous quality assurance process before it is finalised. Once we receive the final report, we will share it with our entire school community. We anticipate that this will take approximately four to five weeks.

This week has also provided an opportunity to reflect on the exceptional dedication of our staff. While the inspection focused on a few days in school, it recognised the work that takes place every day throughout the year. Our staff are unwavering in their commitment to ensuring that every child experiences a safe, caring environment alongside high expectations for learning and personal development. It has been particularly rewarding to see this commitment externally validated during the inspection process.

We are also fortunate to be part of Moorlands Learning Trust. The support, collaboration and expertise available across the Trust continue to strengthen leadership, develop teaching and learning and drive continuous improvement for the benefit of all our children. The positive impact of being part of such a strong partnership was evident throughout the inspection.

Most importantly, I would like to thank our pupils. They have been a credit to our school and our community. The inspectors commented on how warm, polite and welcoming the children were throughout their visit. Special thanks go to those pupils who worked directly with members of the inspection team, sharing their experiences of school with confidence, honesty and pride. I would also like to mention our new Reception children, who have settled into school incredibly well. Despite only being with us for a short time, they have approached each day with enthusiasm, confidence and many smiling faces.

Thank you once again for your continued support, encouragement and partnership. We are proud of what we achieve together as a school community and greatly value the role that our families play in that success.

I wish all of our families a wonderful weekend and thank you once again for your ongoing support.

Warm regards,

Marie Wilson

Bradford Music & Arts - String Lessons Availability

We have been informed by Bradford Music & Arts Service that there are still a small number of places available for pupils in Years 3 to 6 to enjoy string instrument lessons with Mrs Lawler on Fridays.



If your child is interested in starting music lessons in school, please contact [Bradford Music & Arts Service](#) directly for further information and to arrange lessons for your child. We would be delighted to see more children taking advantage of this fantastic opportunity.

Term Dates

The term dates for the academic years 26-27 and 27-28 have been published on our website and are available to download. Please [click here](#) to view them.

Hutchison Catering School Lunch Menu

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 £2.83 per day/ £14.15 per week. **Parents/carers are responsible for booking school meals in advance through [School Grid](#). They are also responsible for ensuring that all allergies, dietary requirements, and special dietary information for their child are accurately entered and kept up to date within the app. [If you have any questions relating to payment for school meals or your School Grid account, please contact the School Grid Team directly on 01506300310 or email \[support@schoolgrid.co.uk\]\(mailto:support@schoolgrid.co.uk\)](#)**

Monday: Margherita Pizza, Sweet Chilli Salmon Melt, Tomato Penne Pasta and Sandwiches (Ham/Cheese/Tuna)

Tuesday: Smokey BBQ Pieces with Vegetable Rice, BBQ Chicken with Vegetable Rice, Cheesy Penne Pasta and Sandwiches (Ham/Cheese/Tuna)

Wednesday: All Day Breakfast, Vegetarian All Day Breakfast, Tomato Penne Pasta and Sandwiches (Ham/Cheese/Tuna)

Thursday: Cheesy Cauliflower Pasta Bake, Beef Chilli with Bean Macaroni Cheese, Cheesy Penne Pasta and Sandwiches (Ham/Cheese/Tuna)

Friday: Quorn Dippers with Chips, Fish & Chips, Tomato Penne Pasta and Sandwiches (Cheese/Tuna)

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

Tuesday 15 September: Reception Curriculum Information Evening, 6:00-7:00pm

Friday 25 September: KS1 Macmillan Morning

Saturday 26 September: Cross Country Event at Ilkley Lido

Tuesday 29 September: Individual Pupil Photos & After-School Sibling Photo Shoot 3:20 - 4:30pm, Reception Phonics Workshop for Parents 9:00-10:00am

Saturday 3 October: Cross Country Event at Ghyll Royd School

Thursday 8 October: KS1 Harvest Festival 2:15-3:00pm

Mencap Family Engagement Project

The Mencap Family Engagement project will be hosting our two regular coffee mornings this month. The project provides support for parents and carers of children aged 0-10 with SEND in Bradford. The group is a welcoming and supportive community.

For further information, please email FEPBradford@mencap.org.uk or scan the QR code to register your attendance.



ParentPay Refunds from Facilities Management

If you are due a refund from our outgoing catering provider, Bradford Facilities Management, we have requested that all refunds are processed and returned to parents as soon as possible.

Thank you for your patience while these refunds are being arranged.

Events in the Bradford District

- Saltaire Festival returns from 12th-20th September, bringing nine days of creativity, culture and community spirit to Saltaire. [Click here](#) for more information.
- Celebrate the stories, spaces and people that have shaped Bradford during this year's [Heritage Open Days](#). Free events will take place at some of the district's most fascinating historic locations.

Yorkshire Dyslexia Festival

This year, the Yorkshire Dyslexia Festival will be held on Saturday 3 October 2026 at Pudsey Civic Hall from 9:30am.

The festival will include a full day of talks, activities and great exhibitors. [Click here](#) to book tickets.

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.
- [Arbor](#): [click here](#) to view our website's Arbor page with direct links to download the app on Android and IOS. Parents also need Arbor to make payments for trips and residentials.
- [School Grid](#): Order and pay for school lunches via the School Grid website.

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