



Menston Primary School

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Friday 2nd October 2026

World Mental Health Day - Friday 9th October

As part of our commitment to supporting children's wellbeing, we will be marking **World Mental Health Day** on **Friday 9th October** with a special sponsored events across school. All pupils are invited to come to school **wearing a yellow outfit** to help us mark World Mental Health Day. If preferred, children may wear their school uniform with a yellow accessory. Each year group will be taking part in its own sponsored activity, with all money raised helping to fund our [myHappyMind](#) programme. The [myHappyMind](#) programme helps children develop resilience, confidence, self-esteem and positive mental health habits. Details of each year group's activity will be shared via the weekly letter. We are asking families to support the fundraiser by making donations through Arbor. **Simply log in to the [Arbor app](#), visit the School Shop and choose any combination of £1, £5, £10 or £20 donation.** Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for helping us to continue to "Make our world a better place."

Wharfedale Schools' Cross Country Gets Off to a Flying Start

We had a fantastic start to the Wharfedale Schools' Cross-Country season on Saturday, with beautiful sunshine setting the scene for a great morning of running. Organised by All Saints, the first event took place at Ilkley Swimming Baths, with lots of children taking part and showing great enthusiasm and determination. There were some fantastic individual performances, including Maisie, who finished 3rd in the Year 2 girls' race. Our Year 6 girls absolutely smashed it, with Isobel finishing 2nd, Charlotte 3rd and Eleanor 4th. With the help of Olive, their fantastic results saw them take 1st place in the Year 6 girls' team competition - a brilliant achievement! Our Year 2 boys also had great runs, securing an impressive 2nd place in the team competition. A huge well done to everyone who took part. It was a brilliant start to the season, and we're already looking forward to the next event!

Next Event: Saturday 3rd October at Ghyll Royd

All children are very welcome to join in, even if they have never tried cross country before. It's a great opportunity to have a go, get active and represent the school - we'd love to see lots more children taking part!

October Parent Consultation Meetings (R-Y6)

We are pleased to invite you to our Parent Consultation Evenings, which will take place on **Monday 12th October** and **Thursday 15th October**, between 3:30pm and 6:30pm.

Appointments should be booked via [Arbor](#). The booking window is now open.

Year 5: Please note that Mrs Pease (Rowan Class) will hold her consultation appointments on **Monday 12th October** and **Tuesday 13th October**, as she has a prior commitment on Thursday 15th October.

Online Safety Newsletter

The October edition of the Knowsley City Online Safety Newsletter has been published. This month's edition focuses on the video editing app 'CapCut' and the social networking app, 'Discord.' Parents and carers can view the newsletter directly from our website by clicking here. Knowsley City Learning Centres recently held an online safety parent/carer session. If you would like to watch the session recording, please [click here](#).



ParentPay Refunds Update

Families who are expecting a refund from their previous ParentPay account will receive this as a credit to their new SchoolGrid account.

If, after receiving the credit in SchoolGrid, you would prefer the funds to be returned to your bank account, please contact Impact Food Group directly for assistance.

IFG can be contacted by email at customercare@impactfood.co.uk or by telephone on **0345 350 3934**. Thank you for your patience while these refunds are arranged.

Free School Meal Expansion

To help determine whether your child/children could be entitled to the Free School Meals Expansion, please complete the eligibility check by [clicking here](#). This applies to families who are entitled to or who already receiving Universal Credit. The form is quick and easy to complete. When prompted to select a school, please note that our school is within the Bradford Local Authority, so please select Bradford from the first "Select School" drop-down menu.

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**

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!

Saturday 3 October: Cross Country Event at Ghyll Royd School

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

Friday 9 October: [World Mental Health Day](#)

Saturday 10 October: Cross Country Event @ Westville School ***POSTPONED***

Monday 12 October: Parents' Evening 3:30-6:30pm

Thursday 15 October: Parents' Evening 3:30-6:30pm

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Flu Vaccination Catch-Up Session



The Immunisation Team have re-opened the e-consent link for the flu vaccinations. Parents who have not already done so can [click here](#) to give consent for their child to have a flu vaccination in the upcoming catch-up session.

Attendance

This week's whole school attendance was 96.1%. The class with the highest attendance this week is **Alder** with 99.3% attendance! Our school attendance for the year to date is 97.08%.

School's Out @ Cornerstone!

Looking for a relaxed way to end the week? 'School's Out' at Cornerstone is a friendly after-school space for children and their parents/carers to unwind, chat and catch up every Friday from 3.00pm to 4.30pm. Enjoy snacks and delicious Shmoo milkshakes at Cornerstone Café, Menston. Term time only.

Angels for Children: 70s/80s Disco

[Angels for Children](#) will be holding a 70s/80s disco at Kirklands Community Centre on Saturday 17th October from 8pm. Tickets are £12. Contact Beth on 07719785986 to book.

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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