





St. William's Weekly News Round 12 January 2024

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# HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD 'There is the Lamb of God!'



John the Baptist had preached to the people of God's promise to send the Messiah and in this weekend's Gospel we hear how John reveals Jesus' identity to 2 of His followers, Andrew and Simon Peter. Jesus knew that Peter would be the one to recognise that Jesus was 'the Messiah, the Son of the living God' (Matt 16:21) and therefore he was the disciple chosen to lead the followers of Christ and become the 'foundation' or 'rock' on which the early Church would be built.

Loving Father, give us the courage to follow you so that by our words and actions we may be witnesses to your love. Amen.

# Pantomime Time!



A well-deserved treat for the whole school! All the pupils and staff will enjoy a visit to Alhambra Theatre to see Cinderella, for the matinee performance, at 2pm on **Wednesday 17 January**! This is a special gift for our wonderful pupils, and we are NOT asking for any financial contribution from parents due to economic pressures, because of the cost-of-living crisis. **Parents must make arrangements to collect child(ren) later at 4.30pm from school. Further details will follow shortly!** 

# Parents' R.E. Workshops

Thank you to those parents who attended our R.E. workshops this week. As you can see, our pupils are engaged and enjoying their R.E. learning. **Next Monday**, 15<sup>th</sup> Beech Class & Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> Jan Lime Class are having their R.E. workshops, both at 2:40pm – please come along if you can!









# Starting School September 2024



Don't forget that the deadline for Reception pupils starting school in September 2024 is on Monday, 15th January 2024.

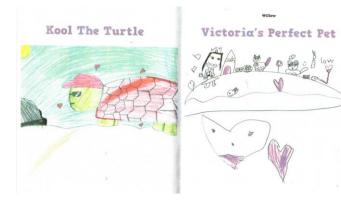
# Italian Themed Lunch Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> Jan

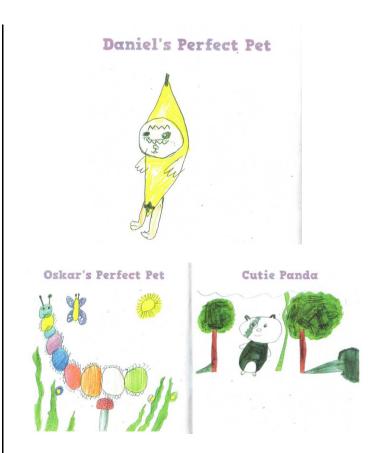
Emma and the team are providing an Italian themed lunch next Thursday and this is an ideal time for anyone pupil who usually bring a packed lunch, to try a school dinner for £2.10. Contact Mrs Gadd if you would like to order one. Thank you!

# **Art Competition**



After school club invited children from clubs and schools across the UK to let their imaginations run wild and draw their own 'Perfect Pet', from much loved family pets to wacky, mixed-up animals. Those who entered their pictures were selected and added to their Perfect Pets 2023 book. The book showcases a selection of the fantastic artwork they have received. Congratulations to **Oliwia, Victoria, Oskar, Monika, and Daniel** for your entries, they are wonderful.





## Weather



Please send your child/children prepared for our ever-changing weather

conditions. Children must have a coat, preferably with a hood,



shoes. All children must bring a water bottle to school, this will help keep them hydrated during the day.

every day, and suitable outdoor

Please be aware that if there is a closure due to snow and ice conditions this will be shared on Bradford Schools Online website, Class Dojo and Pulse Radio. Please clearly label your child(ren)'s uniform/P.E.kit with their name, this will help to eliminate lost items – thank you for your support with this matter.

# **Keeping Children Safe**

## **Contact details for parents/carers.**

Please make sure that **if you change your phone number you inform school staff.** Following safeguarding recommendations, **we need at least 2 accurate contact details in the event of an emergency;** accidents do happen and there are times when we are not able to contact a parent because they have not kept us informed. Thank you.

Attendance and punctuality are a huge part of keeping children safe and it is the law for schools to know why and where children are if they are not in school: schools must report children absent from school,

including parts of the day, not just absent days. As a result, systems for attendance are robust and all parents

have a responsibility to inform school of their child's absence – make sure you TELEPHONE Mrs Gadd 1st thing in the morning if your child is absent. <u>Home visits</u> are part of our Attendance procedures to check and do not be alarmed if safeguarding staff appear at your

<u>door</u>. As a parent you are committing an offence if you fail to make sure that your child attends regularly. The details of parents with children who have unauthorised absence (including those who have taken unauthorised leave during term time) will be passed to Bradford Council, who could consider issuing a Penalty Notice or starting legal action. When a child meets Educational Neglect threshold then a referral to Children's Social Care can be made.

Please also be aware that parents should never collect their child during the school day because of childcare issues or for the child to attend appointments that are for a parent or sibling. As part of attendance procedures, we must record children missing during the school day.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

# Arriving on time is an essential life skill and for safeguarding reasons we must lock the school gates at 8:55am – if you are arriving at that time you will have to go to the main entrance. Equally, as a school we respect parents need children to be ready for home-time at 3:15pm to collect family members from other schools or colleges; we aim to be ready to hand the children to you at that time at the end of the day and not delay you.

If in a school year, a child is late every day by	A child would have lost approximately	or they would have misses approximately
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

## Late pick-up charges

There is a late collection charge £1, per child, for every 5 mins you are late; sadly, some parents have been persistently late and without good reason; taking the view that it is okay for school staff to take responsibility for children after the school day. Unfortunately, we do not offer childcare after 3:15pm and many staff finish at the same time the pupils leave. Congested traffic, in town shopping, a late taxi, forgetting the time, having a hair colour on at the hairdressers <u>are not acceptable reasons to be late for</u> your child. We are understanding, if there are exceptional reasons and it is not usual for you to be late and we appreciate a phone call from you if you are going to be late, it re-assures the child as well. After school teaching staff have meetings, work to do following the school day and in preparation for the next day.

Thank you for your support with this matter.

Have you logged on to the National Online Safety webiste to help protect your child online? https://nationalonlinesafety.com

Parents, PLEASE monitor what child(ren) use(s) and who they have contact with online; to ensure we keep children safe and protected when they are using the internet.

Check out the tips and advice for parents to keep yourself in the know! Here are some useful websites for further information to keep children safe online:

https://www.onlinesafetyuk.com https://learning.nspcc.org.uk



More useful websites: https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk , https://childnet.com, https://www.internetmatters.org

Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!

## **Class teachers' Achievement Awards:**

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners: Kiyan, Julian, Prince, Abubakar, Ramina, Raheem, Oliver, Konrad, Amaya and Elise.

## Hot Chocolate Friday:

Janaya, Grayson, Ethan, Marcella, Claire, Dennis, Vivienne, Hakeem, Fred and Cassidy

#### Virtue Certificates this week:

Kora, Tymon, Abdul, Iyaan, Shine, Connor, Sarina, Bella, Emilia and Keyaan.

## Golden Table Tuesday:

McKenna, Alexus-Marie, Zoe, Oliver and Keyaan.

#### 'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Adrianna, Ukom, Kaima, Prince, Karolina, Shine, Bella, Jeriel, Fred and Delvin.



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, happy birthday dear

Cassidy

Happy birthday to you! Hope you have a special day.

# **Breakfast Club**



Breakfast Club opens every day at 8am,

50p per child per day. A lovely way to start the day! Please arrive before 8.30am - book in advance every Friday for a place the following week via a dojo message to Mrs Gadd, Mrs Fagan, or Miss Parker!

# Dates for your diary:

<b>Reception Applications for September 2024</b>
Closing Date
2:40pm R.E. Workshops
for Parents in Beech Class
2:40pm R.E. Workshops
for Parents in Lime Class
10am Beech Class Mass at St William's
Church
Whole School Pantomime at Bradford
Alhambra – Cinderella
4.30pm Pick-Up Playground
08.45 – 09.05 Parents Reading Workshop
with Ash Class
10am Lime Class Mass at St William's Church
08.45 – 09.05 Parents Reading Workshop
with Ash Class
11am Family Mass at St William's Church all
welcome
10am Holly Class Mass at
St William's Church
Oak Class Art Morning with Tony Bullock
08.45 – 09.05 Parents Reading Workshop
with Ash Class

11.00am Family Mass at St. William's Church – All Welcome
11.30 Chess Tournament at SBSJ (Invited pupils only)
Parent Consultation Evening
Safer Internet Day
Oak Class Homework Topic
to be returned
Beech Class Homework Topic
to be returned
Lime Class Homework Topic
to be returned
Ash Class Art Morning with Tony Bullock
Parents Consultation Evening
08.45 – 09.05 Parents Reading Workshop
with Ash Class
School Closes at 3.15pm and
Re-Opens Monday 19 February 2024

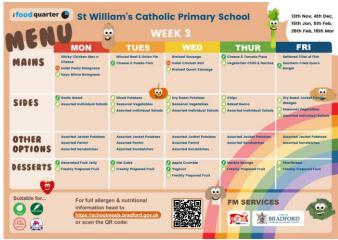
## P.E. Kits / Lessons

Please keep P.E. kits in school during term time, they will be sent home at the end of each term for washing.



Oak Class Friday's Beech Class Wednesday's Lime Class Thursday's Holly Class Friday Swimming

## Lunch Menu – Week Commencing 15/01/24.





Sleep Workshop for parents of children 2-11 yrs with sleep difficulties in Bradford & Craven.

Tue 16 Jan 2024. 10.00am - 2.30pm

TFD Family Centre, Broadstone Way, Bradford, BD4 9BU

TO BOOK: Send your full name & contact details to:

admintss@togethertrust.org.uk



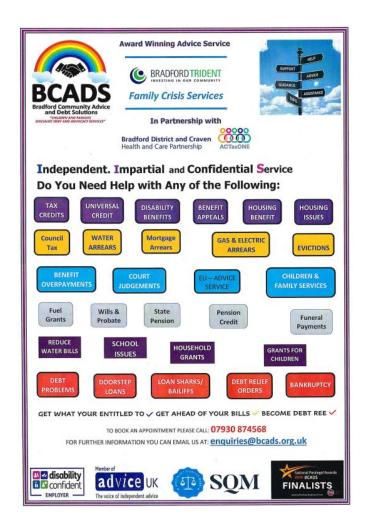
Presented by The Together Trust's Specialist Sleep Practitioners



# **Money Problems** Are you in Debt?

Do you want to become DEBT FREE in 3 Months? For further information and to make an appointment Contact BCADS - 07930 87456





Have a lovely weekend, See you all on Monday 15 January 2024 at 8.45am.



Remember, it's COOL to be in SCHOOL!

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