

### Good Afternoon from Miss Marwood

#### Events in School

It's been a busy start to our final half term of the academic year. We finished last half term with our Year 6 residential visit to Buckden House. The weather was glorious, the children were amazing and the food was excellent. It is one of my favourite experiences of the year; getting to see children outside of a school environment, working together with their friends, encouraging one another to try new experiences and staying away from home. None of this is possible without our staff volunteering to work additional hours and giving up their own time to enable our pupils to have such an amazing experience – thank you.

We have our school camp visit next week for our Year 4 and 5 pupils. Miss Haigh has been working hard organising the activities and equipment we need – fingers crossed that the weather stays dry!

Some year groups have also had some road safety lessons this week and next week classes are taking part in STEM activities – please talk to your children about what they have done in school.

Members of our school council in Year 4 and 5 visited London this week to learn about democracy. We visited the Houses of Parliament and learnt about the House of Commons and House of Lords. We then made our way to Downing Street and had our photo taken outside number 10. Various landmarks were visited including Buckingham Palace – we even managed to find time for an ice cream by the River Thames.

#### Dates

**I would like to draw your attention to a couple of changes in dates for this final half term. Our summer fair will be held on Tuesday 11th July at 2pm and sports day for Years 3 and 4 is now on Tuesday 4th July and Years 5 and 6 is on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Please see diary dates below or the calendar on Weduc.**

Several parents have been to see me with concerns about the increased use of gel pellet guns in the local area. Please make sure you are aware of the dangers of using these guns and the potential injuries that can be caused. We are aware of several eye injuries and significant bruising that has occurred whilst children are playing unsupervised with these guns.

#### Attendance

I am so pleased to tell you that our school attendance is improving and would like to thank parents and pupils for doing all they can to make sure they attend school every day. Our attendance last week was 94% which is a 5% increase on the same week last half term. This is nearly 100 hours of extra learning which is amazing – well done.

A reminder that it is a parents' responsibility to contact school by 9am if your child is going to be absent from school. This must be done for every day they are absent. If you do not contact school to report a child's absence this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and may result in penalty notices being issued by Bradford Council Education, Attendance and Safeguarding Team.

A reminder - if you are considering taking a period of extended leave you must book a meeting with a member of the leadership team before booking any tickets. We want to help explain the impact that extended leave has on your child's education and make sure you are fully aware of council process involving fines of up to £2,500 and in some cases prosecution.

#### Packed Lunches

Please remember that we are a **NUT, MELON & PINEAPPLE** free school. This means that children are not able to bring these foods into school in their packed lunches. This includes Nutella which has hazelnuts as an ingredient.

A reminder also that packed lunches from home need to help children maintain a healthy diet. Please do not send chocolate, or sweets in your child's packed lunch. Healthier alternatives include yoghurt, fruit, or cereal bars.

If you are sending grapes in as part of a packed lunch please remember to cut them in half so they are not a choking hazard.

# Attendance



## This term's attendance

We are trying really hard to be **above 96%** for this year for the whole school, unfortunately no classes reached this target this term.

Nursery		AM— 90% PM – 88%	
RG	89%	RS	89%
1A	92%	1P	92%
2P	93%	2S	90%
3B	92%	3C	89%
4M	91%	4S	89%
5A	92%	5H	94%
6A	94%	6M	88%

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# Diary Dates

Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	STEM workshops in school – Y3,4,5 and 6
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	STEM workshops in school – year group to be confirmed
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	School Camp Group 1 leave school Years 4 and 5 STEM workshops in school – year group to be confirmed Tuck shop at break time
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	School Camp Group 1 return to school Yr4 and 5 School Camp Group 2 Leave school Year 4 and 5 STEM workshops in school – year group to be confirmed Reception visit to Hesketh Farm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	School Camp Group 2 return to school Year 4 and 5
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Westbourne Governor's meeting 6pm
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	New to Reception parents' meeting 9.15 and 2.15
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuck shop at break time
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	9am Parent Partners – all parents welcome to attend
<b>July</b>	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 4 Forest School
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	SEND coffee morning
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Tuck shop at break time <b>Transition afternoon - Children spend time with their new Teacher</b> <b>Year 6 Transition day to secondary school</b> 9-10am Toddler Group

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Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day Year 1 and 2- weather permitting!
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>9am Parent Partners – all parents welcome to attend</p> <p>Bake Sale</p>
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day Year 5 and 6 weather permitting!
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 Forest School
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fair 2pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>Tuck shop at break time</p> <p>9-10am Toddler Group</p>
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>House rewards afternoon</p> <p>Year 6 visit to Lightwater Valley</p>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>9am Parent Partners – all parents welcome to attend</p> <p>End of Year Reports to Parents</p>
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>Nursery Graduation 10.30am and 2.15pm</p> <p>Year 6 Forest School</p>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception performance 9.15 and 2.15
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	<p>Y6 Performance 1.30pm</p> <p>Tuck shop at break time</p> <p>9-10am Toddler Group</p>
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	<p>9am Parent Partners – all parents welcome to attend</p> <p>Class parties- party clothes / non uniform</p> <p>School Closes for the end of term</p>
<b>September 2023</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Teacher training Day – School closed to pupils
5 <sup>th</sup> September	School reopens to pupils