





St. William's Weekly News Round 22 September 2023

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

Next week we will focus on the virtue: Thankfulness and children will be able to say: I can say thank you to God. I am thankful for all the gifts in me and around me. Let us pray on the following scripture:

"I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds." (Psalm 9:1) "Rejoice always, pray continually, and give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).



The feast day for the patron saint of charitable societies, St. Vincent de Paul, is 27th September. He is recognised for his charity and compassion for the poor and dedicated his life to servicing those in need. Today, the St. Vincent de Paul Society continue this vocation in their work to offer love and hope to those most in need. Our very own Mini Vinnies are an example to us all and they do daily acts of kindness to help others and pray for the needs of the world.



Church News

Well done to the children and parents who attended the 1st Sacramental Reconciliation Meeting last Saturday and a special mention to Alan who impressed the catechists with his attentive attitude! Next Meetings:

29th Sept & 6th Oct at 4:30-5:15pm at St. William's School.

13th Oct & 17th Nov at 4:30-5:15pm at St. Matthew's School.



On Friday 29 September we will be taking part in the Macmillan Coffee Morning. It begins at 9.05am and you can join us

in the school dining room. 50p for one child and £1 per family, donations of cakes and buns would be gratefully received. Our community event will also take place that morning, you can expect to see the children participating with their stalls, Ash: Will sell their decorated biscuits Oak: Will have a chocolate tombola, Beech: Will sell something they have made e.g. bookmark Lime: Guess how many items are in the jar, Holly: Will have a tombola. Spec Savers Opticians, Pearl Dental and PCSO Joe Allot will also be there. PCSO Joe will have information for both pupils and parents regarding Online Safety. We look forward to seeing you all.

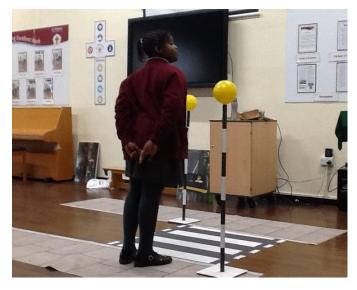
Road Safety

Thank you to Mrs Smith from the road safety team, the children found her presentation informative, and they enjoyed leading the demonstrations & quizzes last Monday.









Art Morning:

Lime Class had a wonderful art morning on Wednesday with Mr. Bullock.



Kooth



Thank you, Nadia, from Kooth, who came on Tuesday to lead KS1/KS2 Mental Health and

Wellbeing assemblies to our pupils and reminded them to speak up, speak out when they have worries. Nadia was very impressed with the pupils at St. William's and commented on how well they participated in the sessions. For more information see their website www.kooth.com



Holly Class School Mass:

Thank you Fr. Darren for a holy Class Mass, on Tuesday 19 September - the children read beautifully.



Catholic Care – Coffee Afternoon

Catholic Care

Thank you to those parents who were able to make the tea/coffee & cake afternoon

with Lesley from Catholic Care; and to meet with other parents who may have shared or raised similar issues they have experienced as a parent. I hope you found it informative. If you would like to access this service for yourself or your child(ren), please contact Miss Parker.



Home/School Communication



Last week we held a prize draw on Friday, 15th September for all children whose parent/carer viewed the newsletter via class dojo.

Congratulations to the winners Ewa, Jethro, Faith, Ishioma, Suzanna, Joel, Dennis, Riley, Korneliuz & Oliver.

Weather



Please send your child/children prepared for our ever-changing weather conditions. Children must have a coat, preferably with a hood, everyday and

suitable outdoor shoes. All children



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

Please clearly mark your child(ren)'s uniform/P.E.kit with their name, this will help to eliminate lost items.

Immunisation Team

Our team has recently opened a new Facebook Page where we share all our information and upcoming news and updates regarding our campaigns/Services. Here's our Link:

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=615502254 04219

Don't forget.....

Dear parent,

Your child is now eligible for their Flu vaccination, as part of the National Programme for Vaccination.

Please click the following link to complete an E-Consent form for your child to receive this vaccination:

www.bradfordschoolimmunisations.co.uk/forms/Flu

And this is the School code you will need: BF148102

The online consent form link will close 3 working days before your school's session date. (21st Nov)

Many Thanks School Immunisation Team

Keeping Children Safe in Education Sept 2023

All members of staff and governors complete annual safeguarding training but safeguarding children is everyone's business and I ask all of you to make it a priority to know how to protect and safeguard your child(ren). Read Part One and Annex Five of the document https://www.gov.uk.

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. Home visits are part of our Attendance procedures to check and do not be alarmed if safeguarding staff appear at your door. 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.

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 to collect the children from school at 3:15pm to collect other 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.

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, a late taxi, forgetting the time, having a hair colour on at the hairdressers are not acceptable reasons to be late for 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.

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

Arriving on time is an essential life skill and for

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



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners: Tymon, Julian, Marcella, Eliska, Ramina, Lidiya, Alan, David, Shalom and Oliwia.

Hot Chocolate Friday:

Adriana, Doretta, Jason, Fariya, Daniel, Kacper, Hadassah, Darina, Hashim and Enoch

Virtue Certificates this week:

Semilore, Destiny-Rae, Kaima, Hoorain, Dennis, William, Lola-Mae, Amelia, Cassidy and Win.

Golden Table Monday:

Tymon, Eliska, Daniel, Darina and Oliwia.

'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Ewa, Adriana, Marcella, Fariya, Kacper, William, Lola-Mae, Amelia, Enoch and Win.



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, happy birthday dear Lemuel, Emmanuel and Isabella 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:

25/09	2.50 – 3.05pm Beech Class –Reading
	Workshop for Parents
26/09	Lime Mass in church 10am
26/09	09.05 – 09.25am - Reading Workshop for Lime
	Class Parents
26/09	2.50 – 3.05pm Holly Class – Reading
	Workshop for Parents
27/09	8.45 – 9.00am Ash Class – Phonics Workshop
	for Parents
27/09	2.50pm – 3.05pm Oak Class –
	Phonics/Reading Workshop for Parents
29/09	you are welcome to join MacMillan Coffee
	morning and community event in school

03/10	10am Beech Class Mass in church
15/10	Sunday Family School Mass 11am in (readers etc)
16/10	Oak Class – Homework Projects to be handed in
16/10	Beech Class - Homework Projects to be handed in
16/10	Parent Consultation Evening
16/10	Holly Class - Homework Projects to be handed in
17/10	Lime Class - Homework Projects to be handed in
18/10	Parent Consultation Evening
20/10	School Closes at 3.15pm and Re-Opens on Tuesday 31 October 2023

Please come along to the phonics/reading workshops for parents next week!

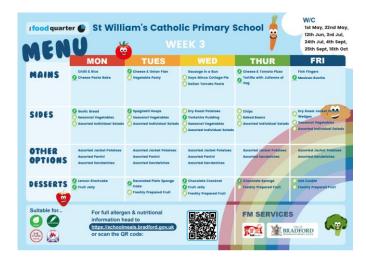
P.E. Kits / Lessons

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 25/09/23



Have a lovely weekend, See you all on Monday 25 September 2023 at 8.45am.

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Remember, it's COOL to be in SCHOOL!