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**St. William's Weekly News Round 26 January 2024**

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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

Jesus said in a firm voice, 'Be quiet, spirit, and leave this man in peace'.



In this weekend's Gospel reading Jesus' teaching is interrupted by a man, troubled by an evil spirit, shouting at Him. Jesus was not angry, and He did not panic. In a firm voice Jesus ordered the spirit to leave him in peace and that's just what it did! The people present were astonished when they caught a glimpse of Jesus' power. Without being sure exactly of who Jesus was, the people worshipping in the synagogue couldn't wait to tell the others what they had seen.

**Loving Father,  
Unite us in love and fill us with Your life to share  
with the world today and every day.  
Amen.**

### Church Information

First Holy Communion Preparation The course for those preparing for their First Holy Communion will begin shortly after Easter at a date still to be decided. All those preparing to receive their First Holy Communion will do so at the **11am Solemn Mass at St. William's Church on Sunday 2 June 2024** – which is the solemnity of **The Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Corpus Christi**.

### An invitation to you and your family:

Please join us at the School Family Mass at St. William's Church at **11am Sunday 28 January 2024**. It will be a wonderful occasion for our pupils to lead our parish in worship. Thank you for your support in advance.

**Pupils, wear your uniform with pride!**

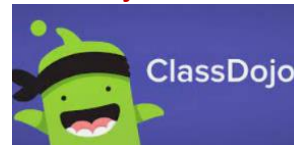
## Parents' Consultations – 5 & 7 February 2024



An appointment slip will be in your child's book-bag today, 26 January, please return to your child's class teacher by Thursday 1 February with your preferred day/time. Class teachers are

looking forward to meeting with you to share your child's work and discuss their achievements and targets for further progress.

### Class Dojo



If you do not have access to our Dojo platform, please ask Mrs Gadd in the office, for your child's login

and password on 01274 545743. This is a useful tool we use to keep parents up to date with important information. It can be used to contact all teachers, including Miss Parker. **Please speak to your child's class teacher if you need any help accessing this during parents' evenings on 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> February.**

### Parent Pay



The school uses the ParentPay payment system which enables parents to make secure on-line payments for school

meals using their credit or debit card. Please speak to Mrs Gadd in the office 01274 545743 who will be able to request a log-in password. Once your account is activated you will be able to start making payments and you will be able to view your balance and transactions at any time.

### Healthy Packed Lunch Ideas



## Lime Class Mass

A wonderful class Mass at church on Tuesday 23 January, the readers were excellent, well done everyone!



## PCSO Joe Allatt

PCSO Joe Allatt came into school on Tuesday to speak with both KS1 & KS2 pupils, about keeping themselves safe, whether it be stranger danger, face to face or online (age-appropriate content given).



## Holly Class

Last week, Holly Class loved looking at the contents of blood and they even made blood in a bottle!



Holly Class investigating variables in games in their Computing lesson.



## Weather



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



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

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.



**Contact details for parents/carers.**

**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.

**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.

Did you know....		
If in a school year, a child is late every day by...	A child would have lost approximately...	or they would have missed 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

**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 **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 matter.

Have you logged on to the National Online Safety website 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:  
Ewa, Semilore, Marcella, Pola, Daniel, Oracle, Arzo, Alan, Romana and Kayla.

### Hot Chocolate Friday:

David, Korneliusz, Amaan, Hoorain, Isabella, Lidya, Danielle, Danish, Amaya and Win.

### Virtue Certificates this week:

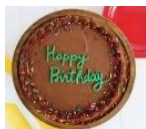
Destiny-Rae, Shawna, Fariya, Muhammad, Zidan, Raheem, Danish, Mia, Faith and Oliwia

### Golden Table Tuesday:

Julian, Lemuel, Kacper, Arzo and Delvin

### 'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Daniel, Michael, Alexis-Marie, Juraj, King, William, Eva, Sarina, Ranaya and Nicola.



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

**Nicola, Emilia, Bella, Doretta and Julian**

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:

28/01	11am Family Mass at St William's Church all welcome
30/01	10am Holly Class Mass at St William's Church
30/01	Oak Class Art Morning with Tony Bullock
01/02	08.45 – 09.05 Parents Reading Workshop with Ash Class
05/02	11.30 Chess Tournament at SBSJ (Invited pupils only)
05/02	Parent Consultation Evening

06/02	Safer Internet Day
06/02	Oak Class Homework Topic to be returned
06/02	Beech Class Homework Topic to be returned
06/02	Lime Class Homework Topic to be returned
06/02	Ash Class Art Morning with Tony Bullock
07/02	Parents Consultation Evening
08/02	08.45 – 09.05 Parents Reading Workshop with Ash Class
09/02	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.



**Ash Class Monday's,**

**Oak Class Friday's**

**Beech Class Wednesday's**

**Lime Class Thursday's**

**Holly Class Friday Swimming**

### Lunch Menu – Week Commencing 29/01/24.

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WEEK 2					
	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
<b>MAINS</b>	Mild Chicken Curry Spaghetti Marinara	Quorn Sausage in a Roll Hotol Keema Roll Mac n Cheese	Roast of the Day Hotol Chicken Hugel Soya Mince Cottage Pie	Cheese & Tomato Pizza Mascarpone Pasta	Battered Fillet of Fish Salmon Fishcakes Savoury Roll
<b>SIDES</b>	Rice Garlic Bread Assorted Individual Salads	Herby Potatoes Crusty Bread Seasonal Vegetables Assorted Individual Salads	Dry Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables Assorted Individual Salads	Chips Crusty Bread Baked Beans Assorted Individual Salads	Dry Roast Jacket Potatoes Wedges Seasonal Vegetables Assorted Individual Salads
<b>OTHER OPTIONS</b>	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Sandwiches
<b>DESSERTS</b>	Jam Pile Bar Freshly Prepared Fruit	Fragrant Freshly Prepared Fruit	Individual Ice Cream Tub Freshly Prepared Fruit	Chocolate Sponge Freshly Prepared Fruit	Butterfly Buns Freshly Prepared Fruit
Suitable for... For full allergen & nutritional information head to <a href="https://schoolmeals.bradford.gov.uk">https://schoolmeals.bradford.gov.uk</a> or scan the QR code: FM SERVICES BRADFORD					

**Have a lovely weekend,**

**See you all on**

**Monday 29 January 2024**

**at 8.45am.**



**Remember, it's COOL to be in SCHOOL!**



## Parent/Carer Support Group

### About Us:

The Parent Support Group is an online support group, facilitated by NHS mental health practitioners. The group is a safe space for parents to get together, share their experiences and build positive relationships. A different subject is discussed each month and parents will receive useful information and strategies around the chosen monthly topic. For an invite, please email: [mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com)

Next Parents Support Group details: Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024  
Topic: "Supporting your child: Self Esteem".

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## Parent/Carer Support Group

Supporting Emotional and Mental Health

Tuesday  
20th February

10:30am or  
7:30pm

Held on Zoom  
Please email the  
address below

### THIS MONTHS TOPIC: SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD: SELF ESTEEM



In this months Parent Support Group, we will be discussing self esteem. During the session, we will think together about what self esteem is, what can impact self esteem and how to build and support building positive self esteem.

✉ [mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com](mailto:mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com)



My Living Well  
@MyLivingWell1

There are many ways to boost your child's brain development. Like helping them to ask questions, so they can grow their understanding of the world. Visit Start for Life for more tips and advice.

[nhs.uk/start-for-life...](https://nhs.uk/start-for-life...)

#LittleMomentsTogether

Better Health  
Start for Life

NHS

LOAD THEM UP...



90% of brain growth happens before the age of five.

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## Online gaming and keeping children safe

Do you know your whispers  
from your skins? Your Fortnite  
from your EA Sports FC 24?

GamCare will be sharing expert  
advice, and you'll hear directly  
from young people.

As part of the NSPCC  
Game Safe Festival, we're  
encouraging parents,  
carers and those working  
with children and families  
to have conversations  
about online gaming.

Our webinar will help you:

- understand how young people game online.
- learn about tools and resources that support safe play.
- gain the knowledge you need to keep children safe.



GAME SAFE  
FESTIVAL

7 February 2024, 7pm-8pm, via  
Zoom. Book your place via this link:  
[nspcc.org.uk/gamesafe/tickets](https://nspcc.org.uk/gamesafe/tickets)

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR

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