



Baildon Church of  
England Primary School  
and Nursery  
**NEWSLETTER**  
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## Religious News

On Thursday we explored Mark 7 where Jesus cured the deaf man. We discussed how, despite the fact that he was asked not to talk about anyone, he told his story.

We have chosen the Christian Value of 'Peace' for this term's work and we will introduce this to children next week to coincide with the International Day of Peace. This theme will continue into next term when we will be remembering the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War 1.

Classes throughout school are busy learning songs and hymns for our Harvest Festival which will take place on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> October. Once more, we are asking parents to send in donations of tinned or dry food so that we can help those who are less fortunate than we are. These will be donated to the food collection which is organised through the three churches in the parish. These donations all go to Abigail Housing which is a charity which supports asylum seekers. Unfortunately, due to the fact that the whole school attend this festival, we are unable to invite parents to this service.

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*When we put our problems in God's hands, He puts His peace in our hearts.*

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### PTFA NEWS

The PTFA are a voluntary group who meet at least half termly to plan a number of events for children and families. All classes throughout school benefit from the money which is raised in the form of providing subsidies for school trips, supporting residential and, in recent years, funds have been used to fund ipads, geocaching equipment and library resources.

In addition to the money raised, the Christmas and Summer Fairs are always fun and social activities and children also enjoy attending the bi-annual discos. A number of people who have been heavily involved in running the PTFA have stepped down from their posts due to a number of reasons and we need some volunteers to put themselves forward to take over the role of Chair and Vice Chair. In addition, we would love it if more parents could attend the meetings and take on organising some of the events so as to share out the tasks.

The AGM for the PTFA will take place on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> September at 7.15pm in the staffroom and we hope that you will be able to join us to find out more and to support this group moving forward. Please do give this some serious consideration.

Achievers of the week for 14<sup>th</sup> September.

On Tuesday, Mrs Adams led an assembly to introduce independence, our second characteristic of effective learning.

### Independence

This has been introduced to Key Stage 1 as 'I know when and who to ask for help when I am stuck. I can think for myself and want to learn.' In Key Stage 2 this is explained as to attempt set tasks without reassurance and support. Congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates this week for demonstrating independence in school:

FS2 Tristan R, Noah M

Y1 Benjamin B, Ellis P

Y2 Hollie I, Matilda A

Y3 Hannah A, George S

Y4 Chloe H, Matilda T

Y5 Max G, Summer H

Y6 George B, Katie J

### SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Thank you to everyone who participated in our reading challenge.

Congratulations to Rosa N, Otto W-S, Sebi L-O and Nathaniel B who won a £10 Amazon voucher. Congratulations to Scarlet N who won the Kindle. We hope that you have many happy hours reading!

## ATTENDANCE Week of 3<sup>rd</sup> September

As Nursery and Reception had staggered intakes, we are not including their attendance in this newsletter.

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| Y1M  | 99.33% |
| Y1S  | 98.67% |
| Y2F  | 97%    |
| Y2D  | 98%    |
| Y3HM | 98.62% |
| Y3W  | 99.33% |
| Y4HW | 96.90% |
| Y4M  | 99.33% |
| Y5B  | 98.62% |
| Y5G  | 97.67% |
| Y6B  | 98.97% |
| Y6V  | 99.67% |

Congratulations to Y1M who are the attendance winners in Early Years and KS1 with 99.33%. Well done!

Congratulations to Y6V who are the first winners of the year of the KS2 attendance cup with 99.67%. Well done!

Parents are reminded that they need to give two weeks' notice to swap from school dinners to packed lunches.

**PLEASE CHECK YOUR LABELS AGAIN ON CLOTHES.....MANY OF THOSE WRITTEN IN BIRO ARE ALREADY DIFFICULT TO READ.**

### SPORTING UPDATE-

A number of our sporting clubs have started again for this year. We were delighted to welcome Tatty Bumpkin back on Tuesday to run our Yoga before school prior to starting with our Reception and Morning Nursery children. This is a 6 week course which is funded through the PE Grant. It was great to see the number of children who availed of the cross country lunch time practices this week and also the huge turnout at rugby. Following the completion of the lease, we returned the minibus before the holidays and we are awaiting a new bus which we hope will not be too long as the competition season starts next week!



I was delighted to receive a letter from the RSC Associate Schools Programme in the holidays complimenting the work which Miss Melvin and Mrs Adams undertook last academic year where they were 'wonderful ambassadors for the school and for Shakespeare, and a real inspiration to the pupils.' Following the success of the programme last year, both Mrs Adams and Miss Melvin were asked to lead a drama after school group for 10 children from Baildon, Titus, Shipley and Low Ash which started on Monday. In addition to the drama workshop, there are some exciting opportunities for some of the children to engage with the work of the RSC this year in Comedy or Errors, Romeo and Juliet and also in Matilda! We look forward to hearing more about the programme in weeks to come.

### RECEPTION OPEN EVENING 2019

We will be holding our Reception Information Evening for the 2019 Intake on 30<sup>th</sup> October at 6.15pm. The Afternoon session will take place at 1.45pm on 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### CURRICULUM EVENT

It was great to see so many parents at the Curriculum Evening on Wednesday. The presentations used at the evenings are now saved in the Parent Section of the Website-Parent Workshops.

If you were unable to attend, you should have now received a copy of the handouts which we produced for each class. If you did not receive this, please contact the school.

### OUTDOOR LEARNING WEEK

Teachers have been busy planning a lot of exciting activities to incorporate into Outdoor Learning Week which will take place next week. Individual classes will be notified by teachers if they require wellingtons/outdoor clothing on different days but please can we remind you to send coats with children. We look forward to an exciting week of exploring the grounds and the environment.