

## THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL

On Wednesday, the whole school took part in a two minute silence at 11.00am to mark Armistice Day. This year, we thought not only about armed forces members of the past, but also those serving our country today. In Reception, the children were able to virtually meet Mrs Morgan's sister, who is currently stationed in Cyprus and in Collective Worship we thought about some of our ex-pupils who have gone on to join the armed forces.

Our first set of 'virtual parents' evenings' took place this week and we would like to thank all of the parents and carers who took part for their patience as we 'got to grips' with this new approach.

During the day on Thursday, the flu immunisation team visited school to vaccinate all those children for whom permission had been received. If your child did not receive a vaccination and you would like them to do so, then the vaccination team can be contacted on: 01274 221203

Thank you so much to you all for your generous support of our 'Children in Need' non-uniform day and 'Pudsey Raffle' today - we have raised an incredible £501! We also held our first whole school 'teams assembly' for 'Children in Need' this afternoon and the children were delighted by Mrs Adams' and Mr Gomersall's swimming competition in the KS1 playground!

'DJ Adams' will also be hosting our 'virtual disco' tonight at 6.00pm, please see the noticeboard overleaf for information about how to access the disco. Don't forget to tweet us with your best moves!

## NEXT WEEK

On Monday evening at 7.00pm, our PTFA will be holding their next committee meeting. If you would like a 'zoom link' for this meeting, then please contact the school office.

Our second set of 'virtual parents' evenings' are taking place next Wednesday and Thursday for RM, 1D, 2F, 3S, 4M, 5G and 6V. Please can we ask for your patience with this technology, which is very new for us all! Should the video call not work, then staff will contact you on either the mobile number you have returned on the reply slip, or on the number we have as 'Priority 1' in school. We also need to make you aware that the video system automatically terminates each call after 10 minutes and staff cannot override this.

Thank you to all those who have participated in our ballot for our two parent governor vacancies; the votes are being counted after school today and I will write to all parents on Monday to let you know the outcome. Our new parent governors will be invited to observe our next Governing Body meeting, which is taking place on Thursday evening at 6.00pm.

## VALUES FOR LIFE

On Wednesday, we were delighted to be able to welcome Canon Sandra into school to lead our Act of Remembrance with Year 6. During her worship, Canon Sandra talked to the children about the importance of striving for peace within our community and our world. This week, Miss Mullen has also led worship for us linked to our core value of 'hope'.

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT

This week, staff have received training on Subject Leadership from Mr Holliday, who is responsible for our curriculum across school. Each subject leader is currently reviewing the content of their curriculum in each year group to ensure that it meets the needs of all of our children.

## ★ BAILDON STARS ★

Congratulations to this week's KS2 stars!

3S: Oscar and Archie  
4M: Poppy and Naomi  
5B: Anya and Hetty  
6V: Lexi, Mia and Isobel

3HS: Madeleine and James  
4AW: Harry and Isabella  
5G: George and William  
6B: Chloe and Llewyn

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

**Mon:** BBQ Chicken/Margherita Pizza, or a Jacket **Tue:** Thai Chicken Curry, Quorn Korma, or a Jacket  
**Wed:** Salmon & Tomato Pasta Bake, Macaroni Cheese, or a Jacket  
**Thurs:** Pork Casserole, Spanish Omelette, or a Jacket  
**Fri:** Pasta Carbonara, Quorn Meatballs or a Jacket

# NOTICEBOARD

## PTFA Virtual Disco

To access the Virtual Disco, please log in to the school's VLE, which can be accessed through the school website, or by following this link and entering your child's login details.  
<http://disco2020.churchschool.learning.schooljotter2.com/>

## Alternative Christmas Cards - PTFA Appeal

Due to Covid-19, we will unfortunately be unable to support children in handing out Christmas cards this year, however, we understand that many children will still want an opportunity to wish their fellow pupils and teachers a Merry Christmas.

Therefore, the PTFA will be providing each class with a well wishes Christmas Tree and each pupil and teacher will be given a bauble to decorate and sign their name on in school time, which will then be added to the class tree. In return for a bauble, we would be delighted to receive a small donation of your choice to the PTFA, this may be around the price you would choose to spend on Christmas cards for your children to write. Donations can be made on 'School Money' - the default amount is £1, but this can be changed. Please note that this donation is not compulsory and all children will be offered a bauble.

## Virtual Open Evening for Prospective Parents

Due to the challenges of Covid19, we are unfortunately unable to hold a traditional open evening for prospective parents and carers. I am therefore very grateful to Mr Holliday for his work in creating a virtual presentation for us, all about our school, which can be found at the bottom of the home page of the school website. If you know of any prospective parents who may be interested, please do pass these details on to them. Copies of our Nursery and Reception Admissions Policies are also available on our school website.

## Internet Safety

Attached with this week's newsletter is a leaflet for parents all about ways in which you can support your child in staying safe online. Should you need any support or advice regarding e-safety, then please do not hesitate to contact Mr Van der Gucht, our E-safety Leader, through the school office.

## Covid Update

Please can we remind you that should your child be tested for Covid and the result then be positive, you should contact the school office immediately. During the school day, please can this be done by telephone where possible and out of hours (including weekends), please can you email [office@baildonce.co.uk](mailto:office@baildonce.co.uk) with the subject line 'Covid Test'. We would also like to remind parents or carers that the current government guidance states that if anyone within your household has potential Covid symptoms, then the whole household should self-isolate until a test has been carried out.

## Parish of Baildon Christmas Raffle

Attached with last week's newsletter was a flyer for the upcoming Christmas Raffle, which is being organised by the Parish of Baildon. The fundraising team have gathered a range of exciting prizes. Tickets cost £2 each and can be purchased through school. Please see the flyer for further details and information on how to purchase tickets.

## School Photographs

We are anticipating that the children's photographs will arrive in school early next week and should all have been distributed by next Friday.

## Message for Y6 parents/carers

On Tuesday and Friday, Y6 are going to begin filming WW1 movies in Computing lessons. Please can you make sure your child comes to school with a warm, waterproof coat and outdoor shoes / wellies as they will be working outside and also (if possible) a scarf to help make them look more "old fashioned". Thank you for your support in this.