



Friday News (on a THURSDAY)
24th March 2016

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We are a **“GOOD School with an OUTSTANDING Early Years Provision”**
Ofsted February 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs Harrison, Class 2 Teacher, who has recently announced that she is expecting a baby. The new arrival is due during September 2016.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Mrs Leak, our School Cook, who provided a very special Birthday Party lunch on the last day of term. Mrs Leak will be celebrating her 60th Birthday.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Miss Pearson, who will be celebrating her 30th Birthday over the Easter Holidays.

IMPORTANT DATES Can parents please ensure that they try their best to ensure that children are at school on the following assessment dates.

9th to 12th May 2016 Key Stage 2 SATS Week (Classes 3,4 and 5)
May 2016 Key Stage 1 SATS (Class 2)
13th to 24th June 2016 Year 1 Phonics Testing



EASTER EGG RAFFLE Thank you to everyone who supported our Easter Egg Raffle. We raised an astounding £192.00, all of which will go towards the cost of providing a gazebo/outside classroom area. Thank you to those parents who kindly donated an egg, along with members of the local community, including the WI, Booths, the Co-Op, Blossom and Co., Toobys and Bentham Golf Club.

AFTER SCHOOL AND BREAKFAST CLUB We offer excellent out of hours childcare at the school. Every weekday morning Breakfast Club runs from 8.00am. The cost per child per session is only £4.00 and this includes a delicious healthy breakfast.
Our After School Club runs from 3.30pm every day. Sessions include craft activities, sewing, outdoor play, computer access and much, much more. Early Bird costs £5.00 per child and runs from 3.30pm until 4.45pm, the price includes a healthy snack and drink. Full sessions run from 3.30pm until 6.00pm and are priced at £7.50 per child with a discount sibling rate of £6.50, this price includes a snack, drink and tea.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS During the week 14th March to 18th March class attendance was as follows:-

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| Class One | 96.36% | Class Four | 98.57% |
| Class Two | 94.29% | Class Five | 97.73% |
| Class Three | 98.241% | | |



The ‘whole school’ percentage for attendance since the start of the year is currently **96.53 %** (this **NEEDS** to improve). **For our school to have been judged as ‘Outstanding’** we needed to have an annual attendance percentage of **97% or above**.

GOODENBER Play area will be hosting lots of Easter Fun and Egg Games on Monday 28th March 2016 from 2.00pm onwards at Goodenber Play Area (off Wesley Way).
Why not go along and join in the fun and support your local Play Area.

REMINDER Can we just remind parents that if their child is off school for any reason to contact the school office to report their absence **as soon as is possible**. This ultimately avoids 'unauthorised' absences and the need for text messages to be sent to parents. It is also imperative that parents notify the school office if their contact details have changed, in addition, if a parent requires text messages to be sent to more than one mobile number the office will need details of the additional mobile number – thank you.

PLEASE CONSIDER when making doctors, hospital or dental appointments bringing your child into school first in order that they can register or collecting them after 1.00pm, ideally and where possible, please make appointments out of school time – although it is appreciated that this is not always possible.

SETTLE SWIMMING POOL We have been approached by Settle Swimming Pool requesting that we encourage parents of children to complete a short 'Settle Pool Survey'. The aim of this is to ensure that the pool can develop a five-year business plan. Paper copies of the survey are available at the School Reception, or can be completed on-line at www.settleswimmingpool.co.uk.



CONGRATULATIONS AND WELL DONE to AISHA STEELE from Class 4.

Aisha has just been awarded with the British College of Accordionists 'Solo Accordion Playing Introductory Level B **GOLD** Award. Keep up the good work Aisha.



JUDO On Friday 18th March, children were visited in assembly by Danny Harper, the Head Coach for Craven Judo Academy. Danny has kindly offered to provide several FREE Taster Judo sessions here at the school over the coming month. Following these 'taster' sessions, it is anticipated that Danny will start a weekly Judo Club in the School Hall commencing Monday 9th May 2016 from 5.30pm until 6.30pm and additionally from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Details of the cost of these sessions will be available shortly.

BE A LIFESAVER (CallPushRescue) : The British Heart Foundation will be providing two FREE training sessions at Bentham Town Hall on Saturday 9th April and Saturday 23rd April 2016 from 10.00 am to noon. Everyone is welcome to go along and learn CPR skills.

WE HOPE THAT EVERYONE HAS A WONDERFUL, HAPPY AND SAFE EASTER BREAK
School re-opens on Monday 11th April 2016 – We look forward to seeing you

HOCKEY Well done to Isabelle Laycock, Joseph Ellershaw, Cameron Askew, Amy-Jane Hodgson, Harry Wheildon, Harrison Pryce, Billy Metcalfe, Georgia Bentham, Bluebell Williams, Will Bentley, Finlay Rayner and Connor Partridge who all took part in a Cluster Hockey Event on the afternoon of Wednesday 23rd March. All the children were a credit to our school and local community.

At a glance..... the week ahead.....

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| 11/04/2016 | 0850 | School Re-opens | All |
| 13/04/2016 | All Day | Class Photographs | All |
| 14/04/2016 | 1530 | Parents' Meeting : Internet Safety | All Welcome |
| 14/04/2016 | 1300 | FLUTE LESSONS replacing morning session | |
| 15/04/2016 | 1200 | Johnny Walker Cup (Rugby and Netball) | Children Aware |

