



Friday News
29th April 2016

Building our future, step by step

<http://www.benthamcpschool.org.uk>

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

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. Did you know you may be able to get assistance with out of hours child-care. For more information please visit www.gov.uk .

WATER BOTTLES

Can parents please ensure that their child brings a water bottle to school every day. It is a scientific fact that children who are well hydrated have a higher concentration level. Water bottles can be topped up over the day using the school's drinking water taps. Please do not allow children to bring 'juice' to school in their drinking water bottles.



OPEN AFTERNOON

We are planning to hold an Open Afternoon on **Thursday 9th June 2016** from 1.00pm until 3.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and take a look at the excellent facilities and high standard of education delivered at our school. Please feel free to encourage relatives, friends and neighbours to come along and visit on the day. Refreshments will be available in the School Hall.

FRIENDS OF BENTHAM SCHOOL

Friends of Bentham School are holding a Countryside Festival on Saturday 25th June from 12.00 mid-day until 4.00pm. The FOBS are asking for donations of raffle and tombola prizes, also jumble e.g. clothes, shoes. There will be a box near reception to place prizes in. Could jumble be left at school on Friday 24th June. Any donations would be most appreciated. If you would like to reserve a 'stall' at the event, please request a booking form from the School Office.

GET WELL SOON Can we just wish Mrs Claire Steele, our wonderful Nursery teacher, a quick and speedy recovery from her recent knee operation. During Mrs Steele's absence, Mrs Wilson, who is very well known to all the children in the school will be teaching Nursery.

FOR MORE DETAILS and Pictures from Year 5's recent residential visit to Bewerley Park, please visit the School's Website at www.benthamcpschool.org.uk.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS During the week 21st March to 24th March class attendance was as follows:-

Class One	92.73%	Class Four	97.14%
Class Two	97.86%	Class Five	100.00%
Class Three	97.93%		



The 'whole school' percentage for attendance since the start of the new academic year is currently 96.59%.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB The new Scholastic Book Club catalogue has been sent home via children's book bags. Orders and payments should be handed into the School Office in a sealed envelope labelled 'Scholastic Book Club' by no later than **Friday 6th May 2016**. Cheques should be made payable to 'Scholastic Book Club'.

TRANSITIONAL DATES/TIMES CHILDREN WITH SEND

For parents of those children with Special Educational Needs who will be leaving Bentham School in July 2016 to continue their educational journey with Settle College in September 2016, Settle College have forwarded information about their SEND Department and some additional transitional dates/times they are providing in order to aid children who may find the transition to a secondary school difficult.

Monday 16 th May 2016	1.30pm to 3.00pm
Thursday 26 th May 2016	9.30am to 11.00am
Monday 20 th June 2016	1.30pm to 3.00pm
Tuesday 28 th June 2016	1.30pm to 3.00pm

Area Transfer Day : Thursday 7th July 2016

If you would like any further information, or would like to 'book' to visit Settle College on any of the above dates, then please contact Mrs Lodge on 01729 822451, ext 265 or e-mail jlodge@settlecollege.n-yorks.sch.uk.

DID YOU KNOW..... North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service provide a FREE fire safety service, this includes home visits by representatives of the Fire and Rescue Service in order to advise on Smoke Alarms, fire evacuation routes and much more.

For more information, or for further advice, please contact **Jeff Richardson** the Community Safety Officer on 01756 692560/07786 312731 or e-mail jeff.richardson@northyorkshire.gov.uk.

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

02/05/2016	ALL DAY	MAY DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED	ALL
03/05/2016	ALL DAY	SCHOOL OPEN	ALL
09/05/2016	Various	YEAR 6 SATS Week	Class 5/Year 6
16/05/2016	1800	Governors' Meeting	
17/05/2016	1600	Kwik Cricket Qualifier at Settle College	Years 5/6
25/05/2016	Residential	Edinburgh Residential Visit	Class 5/Year 6
27/05/2016	1530	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL – HALF TERM BREAK	ALL
06/06/2016	0850	SCHOOL OPEN	All

PARENTPAY Can parents please check their child's Parentpay account regularly and ensure that this is kept in credit for any services the school provides. Despite mentioning this matter in last weeks Friday News we still have an alarming number (**68**) parents with outstanding balances and debts that are owing to the school.

