



Friday News  
10<sup>th</sup> June 2016

67 parents still have  
outstanding DEBTS at school.

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

#### FAIR TRADE AWARD

After lots of hard work, evidence collating and Fair-Trade events, we are very pleased to be able to announce that Bentham C P School has received their ‘Fair-Aware Award’ from the Fairtrade Foundation for Schools.

Special thanks to Mrs Helen Harrison and Mrs Helen Jarvis, both of whom have worked exceptionally hard to achieve this status.



**The Friends of Bentham School Countryside Festival** On Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June the FOBs will be holding a Countryside Festival here at the school. Promotional leaflets advertising this event have been sent home in children’s book bags. Please help promote this fundraising event by displaying the leaflet in your house window or your car.

**SCHOOL UNIFORM** As a school, and no doubt as a parent/carer we want to see our children looking smart with a sense of belonging. With this in mind, can we just remind parents about our School Uniform, which should consist of:- (for more details visit the school’s website)

Green Sweatshirt/Cardigan with School Logo

Grey or Black Skirt or Pinafore

Bottle Green/White Striped Check Dress

Grey or Black Plain Trousers (**Not Leggings, Jeggings, Jeans or other fashion styles**).

Grey or Black Shorts (Summer)

White or Bottle Green Polo Shirt or collared shirt/blouse

Suitable seasonal waterproof outdoor coat

**Shoes should be black and FLAT.** Sandals should not be open toed or open backed. No fashion shoes or boots should be worn in school, neither should slippery soled shoes, crocs or flip flops.

Trainers should only be worn during PE. **PE Kits should be at school AT ALL TIMES.**

#### DRESS UP AND DANCE

We will be hosting a ‘Dress up and Dance’ day on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016.

For a small voluntary contribution of £ 1.00 children are invited to come to school dressed in their colourful costumes.....

All monies raised will be donated to the wonderful Macmillan Cancer Support.



**DRAWING COMPETITION...** All children are invited to draw a character or scene from ‘Alice in Wonderland’ using either pencils, crayons or felt tips. Entries will be judged by Mrs Harrison, who will have the difficult, if not impossible task, of announcing a winner of the best drawing. Not only will the winner of the competition receive a ‘tasty’ prize, but their drawing will also have the honour of featuring in the school’s end of year production of ‘Alice in Wonderland’s’ official Programme.....

Drawings should be no larger than A5 in size (half A4 sheet of paper) and need to be handed to Mrs Harrison (Class 2 Teacher) by no later than **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016.**

**ATTENDANCE MATTERS** During the week 16th May to 20th May 16 class attendance was as follows:-

Class One	94.55%	Class Four	96.07%
Class Two	93.57%	Class Five	99.55%
Class Three	96.21%		



The 'whole school' percentage for attendance since the start of the new academic year is currently 96.66%.

**OUTSTANDING DEBTS** We still have 67 parents with monies owing to the school. Can parents please ensure that these outstanding debts are cleared as a matter of urgency. As we approach the end of the academic year, it is imperative that all accounts are cleared. Any children with funds in credit on their account will have these automatically transferred into the next academic year. Parents of children who will be leaving the school in July 2016 will have any credits refunded.

Unfortunately, and due to the high number of outstanding debts, we have been informed by North Yorkshire County Council that any outstanding debts at the end of the academic year should be referred to their debt collection service.

Naturally, as a school we appreciate that financing a family can be extremely difficult at times. If you have any concerns about repayment of debts, please, please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Boocock.

**INTERNET SAFETY** Can we just remind parents about the importance of protecting their child from the dangers of the Internet. Whilst at school children are protected by a variety of safety measures, including lessons about the importance of keeping safe on the internet. However, can we just remind parents about the importance of keeping their children safe whilst at home. Sites such Instagram, Facebook and Kik Messenger are getting very popular with children, and what might seem like innocent 'posts' to children, could prove interesting to internet predators.

**OPEN EVENING : GIGGLESWICK SCHOOL** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June : Giggleswick School will be holding an Open Evening . Giggleswick offer independent education for boys and girls aged 3 to 18 years of age. For more information, please contact the school on 01729 893 000 or visit

**SUMMER TERM** Whilst all of our terms at school are busy, the Summer Term sometimes appears to be the most onerous of all! With this in mind, can we just remind parents to check their children's book-bags for correspondence from the school, visit the web-site to keep up-to-speed with dates of events taking place at the school, and also check, where appropriate, children's Planners. Thanking everyone for their continued support.

**SWIMMING 2016/2017**

Thank you to all those parents who recently completed the KS2 Swimming Questionnaire. Following analysis of responses, and liaison with Settle Swimming Pool, it is anticipated that we will be offering children in Classes 3, 4 and 5 ten weeks' worth of lessons during the new academic year. There will be a small cost to parents. Further details about this provision will be confirmed in September 2016.



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

14/06/2016	0915	Mini Olympics Event	Year 2 Children
15/06/2016	All Day	Book Fair	All Welcome
17/06/2016	All Day	Dress Up and Dance for Macmillan	Everyone
24/06/2016	All Day	First Aid Training Day	Year 6
25/06/2016	1200	Countryside Festival	All Welcome
01/07/2016	0930	Parents' Coffee Morning	All Welcome

