



Bentham Community  
Primary School

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Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents

This letter is quite a long one so please sit down with a cup of tea (and maybe a chocolate biscuit!), as there is a lot of information about important events coming up over the next few weeks for parents and children who are currently in our nursery, or who will be joining us in September.

Firstly, I would like to welcome your family to our school. It may be that we already know you as you have another child in our school or, it may be that this is the first time you will have a child with us here at Bentham CP School. Either way, we look forward to welcoming your son/daughter into our nursery as they begin their education with us.

Starting 'big' school is an exciting time in any child's life, but there can also be a little anxiety and nervousness for both children and adults! We aim to make the start of your time here at Bentham as welcoming as possible so we would like to invite you to a few events over the next few weeks.

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June at 3.30pm** we would like to invite parents to a **Nursery Parent's Welcome Meeting**.

This meeting will be for new and current nursery parents who will have a child in Nursery from September 2018. This will be an opportunity to meet your child's Nursery teacher and also meet other adults who will be working in the Nursery classroom. There will be information about the school day, school uniform and the first few days in September. If you need to bring your child/children along with you, that is absolutely fine, we will have some adults available to look after them. At this meeting, we will also arrange a home visit for any new nursery children starting in September. On the day, please enter school by the main entrance. Home Visits will take place between Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July. These are nothing to be concerned or worried about, they are simply to give members of staff an opportunity to meet with children, prior to them starting Nursery, in their home environment where they are most comfortable. The home visit also gives parents an opportunity to raise any further questions they may have.

In addition to the transition day, there will also be opportunities for your child to attend up to 2 Nursery morning sessions before the Summer holidays. These will be arranged with you during the Home Visit.

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June from 1.30-3.30pm** is our Open Afternoon. You are invited to come and look around school, join in lessons and meet school staff. This is an opportunity to see the school 'in action' during the school day.

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July** is our **Transition Day** in school. This is when all the children in the whole school spend a day in their new class with their new teacher. We would like to invite Nursery children to spend the morning in school on this day, arriving anytime **from 9.00am**. Parents are welcome to stay a while if they wish. All children will need to be collected at **12 O'Clock**. Please enter school from the playground and collect your child from the main entrance. More information will be given out at the meeting above on the 19<sup>th</sup>.



On **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July from 11.30am – 12.30pm**, we would like to invite current and new Nursery children to a Teddy Bear’s Picnic Lunch with their parents. Please bring a picnic lunch for yourself and your child and don’t forget a Teddy Bear! Please enter school by the main entrance.

You are welcome to attend any or all of the above. We realise that life can be very busy sometimes and you may already have other commitments but it would be great if you could come to one of them. Please can you complete the slip below and return it to school so that we know who to expect. If you wish, you can telephone Sally in the school office to let her know which events you are able to join us for or you can email [admin@bentham.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@bentham.n-yorks.sch.uk)

As you may be aware, the school does now offer a 30 hour extended provision; however, due to demand, Nursery places are limited. It would be very much appreciated if you could complete and return the attached form by no later than Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2018, indicating if you will be accepting the offer of a place at our Nursery and if you are intending to use our extended 30 hour provision. A stamped addressed envelope is provided for this purpose.

If you have any questions about any of the above, then please do not hesitate to contact the school. The whole staff team and I look forward to meeting you over the next few weeks.

Many thanks

Mrs C Pearson  
Headteacher

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***Nursery Events for New and Current Nursery children and their families***

Child’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	3.30pm	Nursery Parent’s Meeting	YES/NO
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	9.00am – 12 noon	Transition Morning	YES/NO
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	11.30-12.30	Teddy Bear’s Picnic Lunch	YES/NO

Please return this slip to the school office.  
Many thanks

