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October, the month of Mary, the Mother of God.



Mary is honoured in the Catholic Church as the mother of Jesus, the Saviour. Mary said 'YES' to God and we too are called to respond to God's call in the same way. Mary is an example to us all, to gently and humbly follow God's commandments. Your child will have the opportunity to take home a prayer bag during the month of Mary

and spend some time with their family in prayer and quiet reflection. Mary, hears all our prayers and takes these to Our Lord, Jesus.

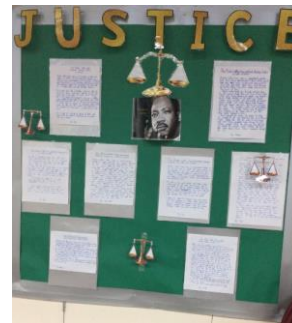
*Hail Mary, full of grace, The Lord is with thee,
blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the
fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of
God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our
death. Amen.*



Mary, mother of God, pray for us all.

Our Amazing Learning Environments

Once again, the pupils' work and the adults' commitment to show case this work, to create the best possible effect, is truly outstanding! I am very proud of the effort and high standard of work displayed in our hall, about Justice and in Year 6 writing about Earnest Shackleton. Well done to all our pupils and staff for their excellent efforts!



Parents' Workshops

Thank you to everyone who managed to attend the Reading/Phonics workshops this week. We hope you found this experience useful.



Swimming Lesson – Holly Class



The children are trying extremely hard at their swimming lessons and the swimming teacher, Mrs Welsh, is astounded by the children's determination!

Resilience Workshops for pupils and staff



On Wednesday, the children and adults in school participated in RESILIENCE workshops with Mr Brealey! Ask your child (ren) about what they did and have learned! Mr Brealey was very

impressed with the resilience demonstrated by pupils and staff.... congratulations and remember, 'WE CAN DO IT, WHEN WE PUT OUR MINDS TO IT!'



This autumn as you know, we are helping the CAFOD charity by raising money to tackle poverty caused by the climate crisis. As part of our fund raising, the children took part in 'Wear it Green Day'. Thank you to everyone for taking part and for your kind generosity, amount raised will be shared in next week's newsletter.



Harvest Celebration Assembly

Thank you to our Mini Vinnies for hosting the Harvest Assembly on Thursday morning.



Parent Consultation Letters

On Monday, 11 October, a parent consultation letter will be sent home with your child (ren), please check book bags and return slips as soon as possible, to request a date and time.

Free Online Safety Guide

What parents need to know about Tinder

Since its launch in 2012, the mobile dating app Tinder has recorded more than 340 million downloads globally. More than half of those users fall into the 18–25 age bracket ... and a study by modemdelvingmyths.com revealed that 95% of couples who match on Tinder meet in the real world within a week of making initial contact.

So Tinder is quick, it's convenient and it's hugely popular with young people (especially young men, who outnumber women on the app by more than three to one). Even though Tinder takes users' safety seriously, the inherent risks it poses are clear. This week's #WakeUpWednesday guide has everything that parents and carers of older teens need to know about Tinder.

More than 1.6 billion swipes are registered on Tinder every 24 hours. A typical Tinder user, meanwhile, logs in an average of 11 times each day, with a daily spend of around 90 minutes on the app. There's no denying Tinder's incredible – if you'll excuse the pun – pulling power. Any dating app, however, comes with an element of jeopardy, and Tinder is no exception.

Quite aside from the potential perils that could arise from meeting up with someone they've only briefly spoken to online, young people enticed by the thrill of Tinder could find themselves at risk from users with fake profiles, from inappropriate or offensive messages and from damage to their self-esteem. Our #WakeUpWednesday guide has some helpful safety tips and advice.



Happy News to celebrate!

Many congratulations to Mrs Sandhu, her husband and all her family on the wonderful news of the birth of their baby son, Arjan! Mum and baby are doing very well and we wish them every happiness at this special time.





BRADFORD CITY FOOTBALL CLUB COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

OCTOBER HALF TERM FOOTBALL CAMPS
10AM-3PM

Venue	Dates	Camp No.	Days	Cost
Crawshaw School, Pudsey	25-27 Oct	47E	3 days	£20 per day
Goals Soccer Centre, Bradford	25-26 Oct	48E	2 days	£20 per day
Marley Stadium, Keighley	27-29 Oct	49E	3 days	£20 per day
Ben Rhydding Sports Club	28-29 Oct	50E	2 days	£20 per day

Secondary School Applications.

Secondary School Applications to be completed by **31 October 2021** online. If you require any help, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

Warning: No Holidays in Term Time

Please book holidays for when school is closed. We do not authorise any holidays in term time **and fines will be issued for taking your child/children out of school during term time.**

Attendance and Punctuality is a HUGE part of Keeping Children Safe

Staff in school have a **legal duty of care** for all pupils in

school and it is the law that children attend school **every day**. Parents/carers must contact school on the 1st day of their child's absence by either telephoning 01274 545743 or by text message on 07624806369. We expect pupils **to arrive on time, ready for learning**. Punctuality is an essential life skill needed for the world of work. **Please understand that there is a child-care fee of £1, per child, for every 5 minutes pupils are collected late at the end of the school day. Thank you for your support to be on time.**

Attendance & Punctuality

Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts!

This week's Trophy Winners!

Class	%	Number of Lates per class	Time lost through lateness	Number of pupils on time
Ash	92%	1	55m	25
Oak	93.8%	2	15m	24
Beech	92.7%	5	1hr 40m	20
Lime	98.4%	2	25m	24
Holly	95.2%	2	25m	27

94.4% Overall school attendance

93.9% Overall school attendance to date

Congratulations...Bravo...Well done!!!



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners: **Connor, Fariya, Karolina, Anna, Mia, Suzanna, Ayra, Emilia, Patryk and Sofia**

Hot Chocolate Friday:

Juraj, Raheem, Vivienne, Ralfs, Konrad, Helena, Iylah, Fabian, Filip and Ushara

Virtue Certificates this week:

Harley – Love, Amelia – Love, Vinny – Love, Kevin – Simplicity and Rayhan - Love

Golden Table Monday:

Prince, Kiamy, Kathrine, Kevin and Ushara

'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Yusuf, Daniel, Dennis, Anna, Nicola, Sofia, Faiza, Klaudia, Adam and Colin.



Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,
happy birthday dear

Connor, Prince, Fariya, Zdenko, Daniel

happy birthday to you! Hope you have a special day.

Dates for your diary:

13.10.21	Lime Class – Homework Project to be returned
18.10.21	Oak Class – Homework Project to be returned
18.10.21	Holly Class – Homework Project to be returned
18.10.21	Parents' Consultation Evening 3.00-6pm
20.10.21	Parents' Consultation Evening 3.30-5.30pm
20.10.21	Beech Class – Homework Project to be returned
22.10.21	School Closes at 3.15pm and re-opens on Tuesday, 2 November 2021

After School Clubs

Monday's **Mindfulness Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Beech Class**

Tuesday's **Minecraft Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Lime Class**

Movie Club 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Ash Class

Thursday's **Team Games 3.15pm – 4.15pm Outside/Hall**

Homework Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in Lime Class

Friday's **Choir Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in the Hall**

Risk Assessment and Contingency Planning for any Covid-19 outbreak – where we are now?

Unfortunately, Covid-19 has not gone away and we must all continue to work together to protect our children and ourselves as much as possible to reduce the risk of this in our school family. Please visit the school's website to view the current Risk Assessment and the Contingency Plan for any

outbreaks of Covid-19. Face coverings/masks are not required to be worn by adults on the playground, however, if you feel safer and more secure wearing one, then please do so.

Equally, the rules on social distancing have also relaxed but please be respectful of others and observe the personal space of those around you. There are no longer any staggered starts/finish times for classes – all pupils need to arrive at 8.45am to start at 8.55am and all pupils finish at 3.15pm every day.

It is essential that those pupils who have tested positive or are showing symptoms of Covid-19 DO NOT come into school. Parents must organise a PCR test for their son/daughter with: a high temperature (this means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back), a new & continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual), a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Only when a pupil has tested positive, themselves, must they self-isolate for 10 days. If a member of their household tests positive they do not need to self-isolate unless they start to show symptoms of Covid-19 (and then the parent must arrange a PCR Test for them asap). **When a child is absent**

because they have Covid-19, teachers will provide remote learning for them, via Class Dojo.

Have a lovely weekend and see you all Monday, at 8.45am



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Use **class dojo** to send home learning work back to your child's class teacher to be checked.

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