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I, and all the staff at St. William's School want to wish you all a very safe and healthy 2022. I hope you and all your families have had a lovely Christmas and holiday-time, together.



The Feast of the Epiphany



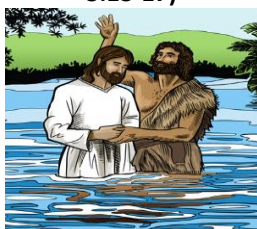
Yesterday, we celebrated the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord, together; this celebration marks the end of the Season of Christmas and focuses on the Wise Men who travelled, following a star in the sky, to see baby Jesus, Mary and Joseph during the First Christmas. The word 'Epiphany' means 'showing' or 'revelation' and we celebrated, that on this very day it was revealed to the world, that Jesus Christ, is God; and that He came into our world to save all people from sin. It is a time to reflect on Jesus the King, Jesus, the Lord, God and Jesus, our Saviour (making the ultimate sacrifice to suffer and die for all humanity). The Wise Men brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh and yesterday we reflected that today we can give Jesus, the greatest gift of all, the gift of ourselves to God.

Loving Father,

**Watch over your children as we journey through life.
Keep us close to your love, so that others may know you.
Grant this through Christ, Your Son.
Amen.**

The weekend is another special celebration, **The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.**

'This is my Son, with whom I am very pleased'. (Matthew 3:13-17)



John the Baptist, had been preparing the people for the coming of the Saviour, God had promised to send. As a sign of their sorrow, for their sins, they came to the River Jordan to be publicly baptised by John. Jesus was the Son of God and John knew that He did not need to be baptised since Jesus was sinless and did not need forgiveness. Jesus wished to be baptised to show the people that He was one of them and to help Him prepare for the task of preaching the Good News. Here, the Holy Spirit came down like a dove and settled on Jesus, and the voice of God proclaimed that Jesus was His Son. Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was ready to begin His work teaching His Gospel of love and forgiveness to the people. On this Feast Day, it reminds us of our own Baptism and the blessing we have in knowing, it is the same Holy Spirit, within us all, to help us to follow Christ's loving path through our own daily lives.

Loving Father,

through your baptism you fill us with your life and love. May that love grow stronger and keep us close to you. Make our prayers through Christ, Your beloved Son. Amen.

Advance Notice: Parent Consultations

On Monday, 7 February, 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 **for Monday, 14th & Wednesday, 16th February 2022. See diary of events (overleaf) for timings.**

Keeping children safe online



Free Online Safety Guide

What parents and carers need to know about

Fortnite Chapter 3

Fortnite is one of those rare titles which breaks through from the gaming world to create a wider cultural impact. This success was swiftly monetised, of course, leading to Fortnite action figures, plush toys, branded clothing, stationery, bedspreads and the like. The nature of these products hints at a sizeable proportion of the game's fans being below the recommended age limit of 12.

So how much of a danger does Fortnite pose to its younger players? For starters, the game is fundamentally about using an array of weaponry to eliminate a stream of enemies. As our #WakeUpWednesday guide outlines, however, on-screen violence is far from the highest concern – with potential issues over in-app purchasing, scams and toxic behaviour from other players.

Read on to access your free guide and catch up on the latest online safety news ...



Do you know who your child is talking to online?

useful websites for further information:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk> ,
<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> ,
<https://childnet.com> ,
<https://www.internetmatters.org>



Bradford City Football Club have match day tickets at an exclusive price of £2.50 per ticket for the following matches

Bradford City vs Salford City Sat 15 January 3pm kick off.

If you would like to attend, please see Mrs Gadd at the school office before noon on Monday 10 January and confirm how many tickets are required along with your full payment in cash. Thank you.

COVID – 19

The Risk Assessment has been updated and is available for you to view on the school website. We must all continue to work together to ensure we keep our selves safe and that the school can remain open - we do not want to have to close to school to classes!

As a result, only one adult on the school playground at any one time and I recommend adults wear a face covering as they bring and collect their child(ren), as it is not always possible to maintain safe distances at the

bottom gate. **Any adult coming into the school must wear a face covering to see any member of staff.**

If you suspect you have Covid-19 or your child is showing symptoms you need to arrange a PCR Test as soon as possible and self-isolate until you receive the result. If a child tests positive they must **self-isolate for 7 days and on days 6 and 7 have a Lateral Flow Test (2 negative results mean they can attend school from day 8).** **If they do not have a Lateral Flow Test on days 6 & 7, then they must self-isolate for 10 days and return from day 11.**

Confirmatory PCR tests following a positive lateral flow device (LFD) test result are to be temporarily suspended from **Tuesday 11 January**. This will mean that anyone **who receives a positive LFD result will be required to self-isolate immediately and will not be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.**

Adults and children aged between 5 & 18 years of age that have close contact with someone who tests positive **must take Lateral Flow Test for 7 consecutive days and if they get negative results every day and DO NOT show symptoms of Covid-19 they can attend school.**

Remote Learning will be provided via Class Dojo for those pupils who cannot attend school because they have tested positive for Coronavirus. Please contact school staff if you have any issues, as we want all our pupils, to be able to access the same learning that their peers are having in class. This will support your child's progress and development. I thank you for your continued support with implementing our safety measures and checking your child is completing the learning that is on Class Dojo.

Martin House



Thank you for your generosity to help us support Martin House Hospice! All contributions have been gratefully received. You have raised a staggering **£420** for this wonderful charity. Congratulations to our Mini Vinnies and all our pupils who have put their faith into action! Tremendous!!!

Proposed Incinerator Duncombe Road

Thank you to all those who have already emailed stephen.waterfield@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

To object to this project – please do so, if you haven't and before 10th January. I extend my appreciation to our parishioners, colleagues within the BCWCAT and all those colleagues in Bradford who have also registered their objections to support us here. Thank you!

No Dogs Allowed



A polite reminder that ONLY assisted dogs (to support those with specific disabilities) are allowed on to the school grounds. Please do not bring your pet on to the site, even if you are carrying your dog in your arms. Thank you for your support to respect all our school family.



NHS
Bradford District Care
NHS Foundation Trust

"Raising Yorkshire Puddings" Parent Support Group

About Us:

The Parent Support Group is an online support group, facilitated by NHS mental health practitioners. The group is a safe space for parents to get together, share their experiences and build positive relationships. A different subject is discussed each month and parents will receive useful information and strategies around the chosen monthly topic.

Next Parents Support Group details: Tuesday 18th January 2022
Topic: "Supporting your child: Low Mood"

Third Tuesday of every month
Tuesday 18th January
10:30am or 7:30pm

Supporting Your Child: Low Mood
Parent Support Group
'Raising Yorkshire Puddings'

This group is facilitated by our Senior Mental Health Practitioners, Education Mental Health Practitioners and members of our parenting steering group. It is a safe space for parents to get together, share their experiences and build positive relationships. Parents will also have the opportunity to offer peer support.

Running Time: 90 minutes
The session this month will cover information about low mood, how low mood is maintained and how to support your child if they are experiencing low mood.

Email below for Zoom link or for more information:
mhstparentsupport@bdct.nhs.uk

better lives, together
W: www.bdct.nhs.uk @BDCT

Winter Weather & School Closure

We have a text messaging system in school as well as Class Dojo which we use to contact you with any important messages. This will include any school closures due to bad weather conditions. You can also hear the school closures on Pulse Radio or by visiting Bradford Schools Online (emergency school closures). Always assume we are open unless you receive a text or class dojo message saying the school is closed.

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. Please be mindful of the travel restrictions in place and the need to self-isolate after visiting certain countries.

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	95.4%	3	30mins	24
Oak	86.2%	3	25mins	25
Beech	84.8%	6	1hr 25mins	22
Lime	87.2%	3	45mins	20
Holly	88.8%	2	25mins	28

88.5% Overall school attendance

93% Overall school attendance to date

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



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners:
Enoch, Abubakar, Moyin, Kacper, Amanda, Zion, Ayra, Fabian, Samica and Filip.

Hot Chocolate Friday:

Abdul, Abubakar, Amelia, Hakeem, Wojtech, Oliwia, Ali, Ingrid, Tiana-Marie and Jaden

Virtue Certificates this week:

Abul – Love, Anna – Love, Amaya – Kindness, Klaudia – Love and Samica – Love.

Golden Table Monday:

Kacper, Moyin, Danish, Hashim and Nikoletta

**Harper, Yusuf, Pawel, Jeremiah, Keyaan, Megan,
Muntaha, Harvey, Fatima and Zain**

07.02.22	Oak Class – Homework Project due in
07.02.22	Parent Consultation Letters sent home to parents/carers
14.02.22	Parents' Consultation Monday, 14th 3.30-6pm & Wednesday, 16th February 3.30-5.30pm
14.02.22	Lime Class – Homework Project due in
14.02.22	Holly Class – Homework Project due in
16.02.22	Parents' Consultation Evening 3.30-5.30pm
18.02.22	School Closes for half term & re-opens 28.02.22

P.E. Lessons

Oak Class – Monday's and Thursday's
Beech Class – Tuesday's and Thursday's
Lime Class – Thursday's
Holly Class – Friday's Swimming

Monday	Music Club – 3.15 – 4.00pm in Oak Arts & Craft Club – 3.15 – 4.15pm in Pine
Tuesday	Minecraft Club – 3.15 – 4.00pm in Lime
Thursday	Board Games 3.15pm – 4.00pm in Holly Homework Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in Lime
Friday	Choir Club 12.25pm – 12.55pm in the Hall



School Dates 2021-2022



**Have a lovely weekend and see you
all Monday 10 January 2022, at
8.45am**



HOW TO CONTACT US



<https://twitter.com/SWCPSBradford>
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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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Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you,
happy birthday dear
CASSIDY
happy birthday to you! Hope you have a special day.