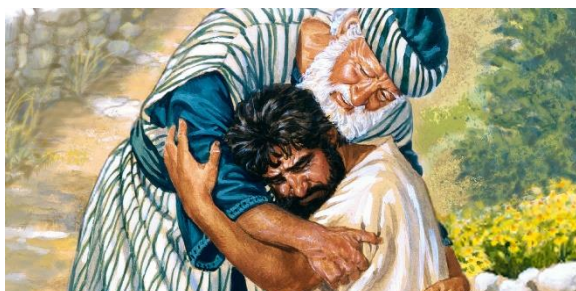




HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE BOARD

4th Sunday of Lent

In this week's Gospel, we read Luke's account of Jesus' parable of the Prodigal Son.



The younger son asks for his share of his father's wealth without any further thought of his father or brother and wastes the money to enjoy himself. Having spent his money foolishly, it wasn't long before he had nothing. He found himself far from home, in a country where there was a famine and no-one who cared for him. Realising what a huge mistake he has made, he decided to return home and ask for his father's forgiveness; **'I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants'. (LK 15:18-20).** His father had been watching and hoping for his return. He was so pleased that his beloved son had come home that he was ready to forgive him. The older son had remained loyal to his father and worked hard to please him. He had not behaved selfishly or wasted his father's hard-earned fortune; he was jealous and angry to see what fuss his father made of his irresponsible and self-centred younger brother. His father reassured the older son of his love but insisted on celebrating his wayward, younger son's return and change of heart.

This parable reminds us that whatever mistakes we make, however selfish and self-centred we might be, God will always welcome us back to His love. Our expression of regret and desire to return and be close to God's love give Him cause for great celebration. Let us use this Lent, as a time to say sorry to God, for the times we have not followed God's will and to turn back to God's warm, loving welcome.

Let us pray:

Loving Father, in your patient love, hear the prayers of your children.

**Make us grow in love for you and for one another.
Amen.**

Food Waste

In school we monitor the eating habits of the children very closely and I am very grateful for the support and help that Emma and the kitchen staff provide during our lunchtimes. We never expect children to eat things they do not like but like any good parent, we encourage them to try new foods and make sure that they eat enough to help them have the energy to concentrate in the afternoon and to play outside. The teachers share the menu each day to the children and then when they go into the dining hall, at lunchtime, they choose what they want from the serving area, where all the food is open and ready to be served to them. Emma, has to ensure that children on school dinners select enough food that is classed as a portion and provides a meal that is nutritious. We are aware that children will try to eat very little and waste food that they have hardly tasted or insist they will not eat. To avoid this, we have been speaking to the children and I ask all of you to speak to your child about the menu choices they are making. We regularly review the menu and Emma tries to ensure that the children's favourites are included. Mr Clayton spoke to the School Council about this matter as well this week and they all requested that they would like pizza and chicken nuggets – we have explained that these options cannot be included every day!! We want to help our children have a healthy relationship with food and a good understanding of a healthy diet and not waste food, when so many people are hungry in our city as well as throughout the world. Help us, by talking to your children about their school lunches, thank you.

Wedding Bells!



Congratulations to Miss Butterfield who gets married this weekend! We all wish her and Oliver every happiness on this very special day and every good wish for their married life together. When she returns to school we will all have to remember to call her by her new name, Mrs Smith!

UPDATE - Planned Incinerator Project - Duncombe Rd
Bradford Council refused to approve the initial permit application submitted by 'The End Journey Ltd'; the Company appealed against this decision by submitting an appeal to the Secretary of State. I can confirm at this moment in time, the appeal was also refused. Thank you for your support and to those who emailed your objections.



Catholic Care, The Good Shepherd Appeal Lenten Fundraising events below:

W/C 04/04/22 Ash Class – Decorate biscuits for sale & a Dance off (Miss Butterfield & Mrs Lyle will be performing their best 'Strictly Dancing' moves!!!)

W/C 04/04/22 A Whole School Easter Egg Raffle.

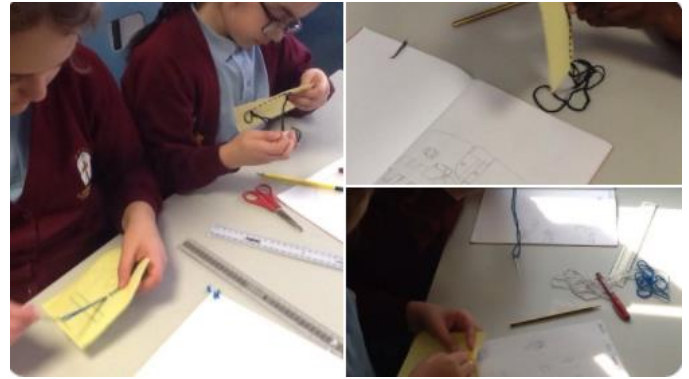
Ash Class - completed a number bond pair up challenge – well done!



And are exploring the number 10 by making their own 10s frame.



Lime class - as part of their learning on castles, they are sewing their own tapestry for display.



Holly class - used their inference skills to analyse stills from Shaun Tan's The Arrival, some fantastic responses and amazing writing.



Keeping children safe online



Free Online Safety Guide

What parents need to know about phone scams

Financial Fraud Action estimates that, in the UK, a financial scam is committed every 15 seconds. Some of these dishonest schemes continue to take the traditional route through our letterboxes or onto our doorsteps – but an increasing majority now target that commanding gateway to our attention that's with us throughout our waking hours: our phone.

From bogus bank personnel to counterfeit couriers, scammers now adopt a whole gallery of convincing aliases from behind a keyboard. In this week's #WakeUpWednesday guide, we profile some of the most frequent attempted cons, highlight ways to avoid them and suggest what to do if you or someone in your family does inadvertently fall foul of a phone scam.

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



Here are some useful websites for further information: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk> , <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk> , <https://childnet.com> , <https://www.internetmatters.org>

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 & 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	83.7%	3	1hr 20m	27
Oak	91.3%	2	40m	28
Beech	91.9%	3	1hr	24
Lime	91.4%	0	0	21
Holly	93.0%	2	35m	28

90.1% Overall school attendance

92.4% Overall school attendance to date

**Breakfast Club opens every day at 8am,
50p per child per day.
A lovely way to start the day!
Please arrive before 8.30am.**

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



Class teachers' Achievement Awards:

Congratulations to these fabulous award winners:
David, Enoch, Dennis, Kacper, Vania, Amaya, Ayra, Iylah, Amaira and Sofia

Hot Chocolate Friday:

Lochlan, Raheem, Connor, Diego, Danish, Elise, Ahmad, Brendon, Amaira and Filip.

Virtue Certificates this week:

Abubakar – Love, Oskar – Love, Konrad – Love, Kevin – Simplicity and Julia - Faith

Golden Table Monday:

Raheem, Isla-Grace, Ranaya, Iylah and Shanel.

'Golden Mention to our lunchtime stars'

Victoria, Eyimofe, Riley, Zoe, Romana, Jakub, Ruby, Muntaha, Nina and Jaden.

Bradford Girls' Choir

Last Saturday, the Bradford Girls' Choir sang in a concert of Bach's St Mathew's Passion with full period orchestra. It's not an easy piece, but they engaged well with the harder repertoire. Well done Eleanor with your contribution to the Choir!

Dates for your diary:

29/03/22	Ash & Oak Classes 'I am sorry' Lenten Reflection with Fr Michael & Sacrament of Reconciliation for KS2 pupils
W/C 04/04/22	Ash Class Lenten Fund Raising Decorate biscuits for sale and a Dance off
04/04/22	Homework Projects to be handed in this week
W/C 04/04/22	Easter Egg Raffle Tickets go on sale
13/04/22	School Closes for Easter and re-opens 25 April 2022

P.E. Lessons

Ash Class – Monday's

Oak Class – Monday's and Thursday's

Beech Class – Tuesday's and Thursday's

Lime Class – Friday's Swimming

Holly Class – Friday's

After School/Lunchtime Clubs

Monday **Computing Club 12.20pm – 12.55 in Holly**

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



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

Amanda, Kacper and Rumaisah

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

School Dates 2021-2022

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Have a lovely weekend and enjoy spoiling
your Grandmas, Aunties and Mums on
Mothering Sunday!



See you all Monday 28 March 2022, at
8.45am



British Summer time begins....



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