

27th June 2025

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Message from Mrs Pearson

It was almost guaranteed to happen... the rain arrived supported by the wind on our scheduled sports day! This meant that I had to make an unfortunate decision to postpone the event, which will now, (hopefully), take place on the 'reserved' date, Tuesday 1st July 2025. So far, the weather forecast is looking promising!

The order of running and arrangements will be the same as those previously provided to parents/carers.

Earlier this week I sent an e-mail and some text messages encouraging parents/carers to re-consider making a voluntary contribution towards the cost of educational activities children have participated in over the past academic year. I would like to emphasise to parents/carers that these communications were also not in any way a 'demand' for payment, simply a request to reconsider making a voluntary contribution towards the cost of activities. As a school we heavily subsidise many of our trips, visits and experiences for children and I spend a lot of time applying for grants and securing donations towards the cost of these visits. I fully appreciate that finances are 'tight' for most of us at the moment, but I would also ask you to consider that school budgets are also extremely difficult to balance and as a school we are proud of the activities and opportunities we offer to our children. As a school we have a positive reputation for the offer that we provide our children and we would like this to continue so that children get the very best from their time with us. I am very pleased to say that a number of parents have thanked me for the reminder and a number of parents have made payments. I would still encourage everyone to log on to Parent Pay and make any payments that they can. Thank you.

Over the Summer Holidays, we will be helping to fundraise for Bentham Playing Fields by putting together a recipe book. Mrs Chapman has kindly agreed to co-ordinate the school's efforts and will be

sharing more information with families soon about how children can help. In the meantime, we would ask children to have a think about what their favourite baking recipe is that Mum, Aunt, Grandma uses!

As we head towards the end of term, our FOBS are extremely busy behind the scenes making arrangements for this year's Summer Fair, which will be taking place from 5.30pm onwards on Friday 4th July here at the school. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in the fun!

To help support this fundraising event, we are inviting all children in all classes to come into school wearing non-uniform on Thursday 3rd July in return for donating a bottle. The bottle can be a decorative empty bottle, a bottle filled with sweets, a bottle of sauce, a bottle of pop, or an adult-only bottle!!

There will also be a jumble stall at the fair. If you have any items of jumble that you would like to donate that can be sold on, then please drop this off into the school office any day next week. All items will be very gratefully received. What better opportunity to have a good clear out before the Summer Holidays?

On Monday, children in Years 1 and 2 will be taking part in a Mini-Olympics event at Settle College. Can parents please ensure children come to school wearing their PE kit, bringing with them appropriate clothing for the day, this could be a waterproof jacket, jogging bottoms, sun-cream or even a sun-hat – who knows what the weather has in store. Children will also need a healthy snack and a water bottle.

Also on Monday, children in Year 6 will be enjoying a full day of contemporary dance with the Blue Moose Dance Company. Can all children please remember to come to school wearing their PE kit and sensible shoes! Thank you.

On Wednesday morning children will be taking part in a transition morning and spending some time in their new classes for September 2025. Year 6 children will

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spend some time with Mrs Pearson brushing up on their rounders skills in preparation for the Year 6 vs Staff Rounders match.

To help with financial planning and to give parents of children who are currently in Year 5 and who will be moving up to Year 6 next academic year advance notice, school have already booked accommodation for a 'City Break' Liverpool residential during June 2026. This year the cost to parents was £320.00 per child. We would encourage parents of children who would like to take part in this residential experience next year, to perhaps start budgeting for this expenditure, which we anticipate will be slightly more than £320 due to inflation.

Finally, this week North Yorkshire have shared with us some information about Gas Appliances, more specifically around safety and servicing. Did you know if you own your own home and have a low income and/or a disability you might qualify for a hardship grant through North Yorkshire Council? More information can be found at the bottom of this newsletter.

Have a lovely weekend, fingers crossed sports day will go ahead this time, as planned!

Mrs C Pearson

Headteacher

Monday 30th June 2025

Italian Pasta Bake
Jacket Potato (v)

12.15 pm Mini-Olympics (Years 1/2)

All Day - Blue Moose Dance Company (Year 6)

3.30pm-4.30pm Blue Moose Dance Sessions (Ages 7-11) School Hall

4.30pm-5.15pm Blue Moose Dance Sessions (Ages 4-7) School Hall

Booking via following links :

Minis <https://forms.gle/kBeccYuePZHqal897>

Juniors <https://forms.gle/6nBzU4SMAvwCacDZ7>

Tuesday 1st July 2025

Beef Wedges
Veggie Sausage (v)
Jacket Potato (v)

Sports Day

1.15pm to 2.00pm Nursery, Reception and Year 1
2.00pm to 3.20pm Years 2-6

Settle College Transition Evening

Wednesday 2nd July 2025

Sausage and Mash
Pea-ter-Croquette (v)
Jacket Potato

1.00pm Forest School (Fox Class)

3.30pm to 4.20pm Ambitions Gymnastics After School Club (Years 1 -4)

Bentham C P School's Transition Morning

Settle College Transition Day
QES Transition Evening

Thursday 3rd July 2025

Chicken Korma
Veggie Korma (v)
Jacket Potato

NON-UNIFORM – BRING A BOTTLE DAY

1.00pm FOREST SCHOOL (Owl Class)

3.30pm Lego League Explore (selected children)

Friday 4th July 2025

Fun Day Friday – all children invited to join in and try a school lunch!

Fish Fingers

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Cheese Whirl (v)
Jacket Potato

QES Induction Morning

10.30 Year 4 Children in BADGER Class Swimming lessons FINAL LESSON

NO CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

School Reports sent home to parents/carers.

FOBS SCHOOL FAIR – everyone welcome 5.30pm

Day	Class
Monday	Rabbit
Tuesday	Rabbit Badger
Wednesday	Butterfly Hedgehog
Thursday	Hedgehog Fox
Friday	Badger (Year 4 Swimming) Owl



Safeguarding Information – Keeping Children Safe

This Week, Wake-up-Wednesday is all about Nintendo Switch 2.

Breathe easy

“ He would have been much too young and would have been much too weak to release himself. ”

Coroner's report, blind cord strangulation

Such a scary thought that something could stop your child breathing. But, the steps to stop that happening are simple and make sense.



Window blinds – It can take just 15 seconds for a toddler to lose consciousness if a blind cord is caught around their neck – and they can die in just two to three minutes.

- Fit a cleat hook or tensioner to keep blind cords and chains safely away and always use them. New blinds should come with these
- Consider cord free blinds for children's rooms
- Remember children may climb and get higher than you think. Move bedroom furniture away from cords and chains
- Make sure the cords on the back of Roman blinds are connected using a device that breaks under pressure.

Sleeping and slings – babies can be suffocated by things they can't push away.

- A clear cot is a safe cot – avoid duvets, pillows and cot bumpers
- Don't sleep on the sofa with your baby as it increases their chances of suffocation massively
- If you're exhausted or have been drinking or smoking, or if they are premature or low birth weight, don't sleep with your baby in your bed
- Follow the T.I.C.K.S advice for slings or carriers www.babyslingsafety.co.uk

Nappy sacks – young babies naturally grasp things and pull them to their mouths, but aren't able to pull them away. They can suffocate on flimsy nappy sacks.

- Store nappy sacks well out of reach of babies
- Never store nappy sacks under the cot mattress.

Choking – babies and young children are still learning to chew, swallow and breathe in the right order. There's no sound to warn you. But there are simple ways to stop it happening.

- Don't prop a baby's bottle up to feed them
- Cut round food like grapes, tomatoes and big blueberries in half lengthways or quarters, not just across
- Cut hard food like carrots, apples, sausages and cheese into thin strips, and chop nuts up small
- Avoid popcorn, marshmallows and hard round sweets like mini eggs or boiled sweets
- Put small parts from older children's toys out of reach
- Watch the Chokeables film for first aid advice www.sja.org.uk/thechokeables

www.capt.org.uk

[@ChildAccidentPreventionTrust](https://www.facebook.com/ChildAccidentPreventionTrust)

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Bentham Community
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LUNE VALLEY SWIMMING POOL

SUMMER INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS

Speed up your child's swimming progress with our 5-day half hourly 'Children's Intensive Swimming Lessons'.

MONDAY 25TH - FRIDAY 29TH AUGUST

Whether you are looking to give your child's swimming ability a real push, focus on a particular area of weakness, boost confidence, gain water skills or improve stamina and technique, then our intensive lessons are ideal for you!

Don't miss out on helping your child progress with their swimming this coming summer!

GROUP LESSONS £36.00
1-2-1 LESSONS £93.50

1:45PM - 2:15PM
2:15PM - 2:45PM
2:45PM - 3:15PM

Non-swimmers, Beginners and Intermediate welcome!
Children 3+ years

For more information or to book your lessons, please email poolmanager@lunevalleypool.com or call one of our team on 01524 805666.

SOCCER HUB

Summer CAMPS

From **£15** per day

SANDYLANDS, SKIPTON
Monday 28th July - Friday 1st August
Monday 11th August - Wednesday 13th August

MARLEY, KEIGHLEY
Monday 4th August - Friday 8th August
Thursday 14th August - Friday 15th August

GOAL KEEPER CAMPS
Wednesday 30th July - Sandylands, Skipton
Wednesday 6th August - Marley, Keighley
Wednesday 13th August - Sandylands, Skipton

Individual Days Available
Early drop off / late pick up etc

For bookings visit
www.soccerhub.org.uk/camps/

 

SOCCER HUB WEEKLY COURSE
A GREAT WAY TO LEARN NEW SKILLS, HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS & PLAY FOOTBALL

SOCCER HUB

Cross Hills, South Craven School (indoors)
Tuesdays (term time only)
4-7 Years old 5:30pm-6:30pm
7-13 Years old 6:30pm-7:30pm

Keighley, Marley Stadium (outside on 4G pitch)
Thursdays (term time only)
4-7 Years old 5pm-6pm
7-13 Years old 6pm-7pm

Skipton, Sandylands Sports Centre (outside on 4G pitch)
Fridays (term time only)
4-7 Years old 5pm-6pm
7-13 Years old 6pm-7pm

Booking Details - soccer-hub.classforkids.io
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