NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2025

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YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL TO NEWBY WISKE

Year 6 had a wonderful time on their residential last week. They took part in activities such as abseiling, team building activities and raft building! They worked well together in their groups and we were very proud of them!

HARVEST DAY

Children can come to school wearing **autumnal colours** and the day will be spent learning about and celebrating Harvest. Parents/Guardians are invited to come into school from 2.00pm till 3.00pm to join in with some of our Harvest activities.

This year we will be supporting 'The Bradford Food Bank', a charity which offers food parcels to people in crisis from the Bradford area. They provide three days' nutritionally balanced emergency food and support local people in food crisis. They are part of the Trussell Trusts nationwide network of foodbanks, working to combat poverty and hunger across the UK. Due to a large increase in demand recently they are appealing for food donations to aid their project. We are asking if you would be kind enough to send a contribution of any of the following items, in support of our Harvest celebrations, which will then be collected and used by the Bradford Food Bank .

These are some of the urgently needed items:

- Washing Up Liquid
- Toilet rolls
- Toiletries (Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Deodorant)
- UHT Milk
- Tinned Meat
- Cereal
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Soup
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Tinned Custard

Bradford Central foodbank

SPOTLIGHT ON SEND

Each half-term, I write a section on our school newsletter to keep parents and carers of pupils on the SEND register 'in the loop' about all things SEND related. I highlight support available in school and also resources and workshops available in the local area.

Mr George

Assistant SENDco

Keep updated with all things SEND at Swain House. Click here or scan the QR code.

Bradford Science Festival

During half term, there will be nine days of exciting events with locations across Bradford exploring the future of technology, fashion, climate, sound, and food. From catwalk shows to multi-sensory sound experiences, Bradford Science Festival has something for all ages and needs to explore.

Bradford Local Offer

The SEND Local Offer website provides valuable information and resources for parents and carers. There is a useful list of support groups available in the local area. Scan the QR code to see the support group list.

In their monthly newsletter you will find out about the latest useful SEND news, information, stories, upcoming events, consultations, holiday activities and much more inside every issue.

SENDiVERSE Festival

A whole week dedicated to imagination, creativity, and the incredible talents of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) across Bradford!

From Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October, the district will come alive with colour, music, movement, and creativity—all led by and for SEND children, young people, and their families.

Whether it's painting, performance, poetry, puppets—SENDiVERSE Festival will shine a spotlight on the voices and visions of SEND communities, bringing together families, artists, schools, health and care professionals, and cultural organisations in a joyful explosion of creativity.

World Mental Health Day - 10th October 2025

Every year, World Mental Health Day is celebrated on 10th October. World Mental Health Day is about raising awareness of mental health and driving positive change for everyone's mental health.

It's also a chance to talk about mental health, how we need to look after it, and how important it is to get help if you are struggling.

Please scan the QR codes below to access information and resources to support mental health.

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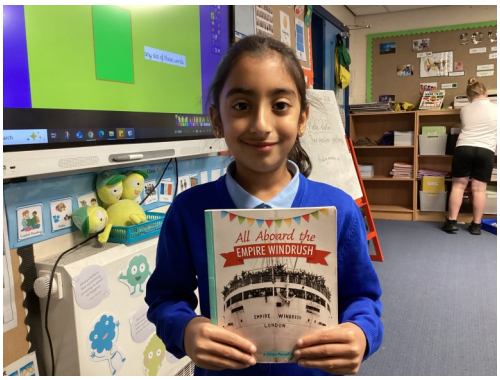
RECEPTION OPEN DAYS 2026

READING PLANET REVIEWS!

As part of our Key Stage 2 reading scheme, we would like to use our weekly newsletter to help promote and share some of your children's favourite stories that they have read. Each week, we will be sharing book reviews that have been written by your children. Hopefully these reviews will inspire our children to read one of the books when they choose their next one.

All Aboard the Empire Windrush

Level –Earth



I liked this book because it tells you about the past. The first journey on the Empire Windrush was in 1948 and there were 194 passengers on board. The books tells you about life on the ship and the famous people on board. I found it really interesting. You will like this book if you are interested in books about black history.

Amyrah — Year 4

SHARING YOUR NEWS!

Lily in Michael Morpurgo class has been attending kickboxing class for many years and has made great progress with it. This week, she has earned her half-red belt and brought it in to show us, along with her certificate. Well done Lily!

A SPECIAL VISITOR

We had a very special visitor in school this week! Mrs Butters and Luna came to visit us. Leo was particularly pleased to see them.

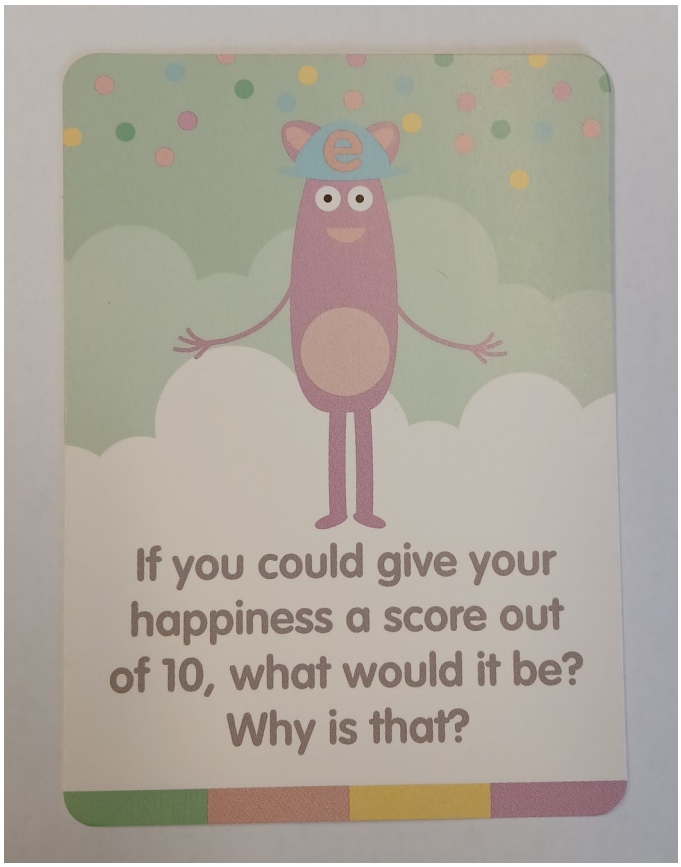
CLICK THE ICON TO SEE REGULAR UPDATES ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE!

MYHAPPYMIND

OUR CONVERSATION CARD OF THE WEEK

Enjoy a conversation!

Each week we will share a conversation card. These are to aid conversations about mental health and happiness.



WEEKLY UPDATES

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Here are this week's attendance and punctuality figures. There is a proven link between attendance and achievement and it is therefore very important that your child attends school and is on time unless they are too unwell to do so. Our doors open at **8.30am** and close at **8.40am**.

Please see the information below for our whole school and class attendance for the week ending **10/10/25.**

Early Years and Key Stage 1:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Elm	99.3%	0
Willow	95.0%	1
Kandinsky	93.2%	2
Matisse	95.4%	3
Lowry	98.4%	2
Van Gogh	98.1%	2

Key Stage 2:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Anne Fine	91.3%	2
Roald Dahl	96.3%	1
JK Rowling	96.3%	1
Michael Morpurgo	96.6%	1
Elgar	96.8%	1
Mozart	99.4%	1
Beethoven	94.8%	3
Vivaldi	91.3%	1

Congratulations to **Elm Class and Mozart Class** for having the **best attendance** this week.

Congratulations to **Elm Class** for having **no lates!**

Our whole school attendance this week: **95.9%**

COMMUNICATION SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER

These are the letters, messages and website updates that have been sent out this week. If you have not received any of these letters, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the office on **01274 639049**.

WEBSITE UPDATES:	National Online Safety - 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide from National Online Safety is about 'Dealing with traumatic & challenging events'.
LETTERS:	06.10.25 - School Photographs 09.10.25 - Roald Dahl Class Assembly
MESSAGES VIA PARENTAPPS:	08.10.25 - Bradford City penalty Shoot Out Sponsor Money 08.10.25 - School Meal Price Increase 09.10.25 - Nursery Grounds 10.10.25 - Extra Club 10.10.25 - Books

COMMUNITY NEWS

Bradford Children and Families Trust

Care for the Family

Time Out For Dads

This is an evidence-based programme that aims to enable dads to increase confidence in their parenting; learn how to develop the dad/child relationship now and for the future and work out strategies for dealing with anger and conflict. It will also give dads an opportunity to meet other dads and share experiences in a supportive and encouraging environment.

Aimed At: Suitable for dads/stepdads of children 0-19
Course Duration: 2 hours a week for 5 weeks

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

- Parenting goals, the impact of our own fathers and aspirations of being a dad.
- Children's temperaments and needs along with building emotional security.
- The importance of time and family life. The power of words and recognising children's feelings.
- Discipline and setting boundaries. Different parenting styles and positive parenting.
- The importance for time for yourself, letting off steam and handling conflict

COURSE DETAILS

Date: TBC
13th January 2026
6pm to 8pm
Venue: Bradford City Club
Contact Details:
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COMMUNITY NEWS

MYHAPPYMIND APP

The myHappymind app includes lots of fantastic features such as—kids zone, myHappymind games and mini master classes for parents .

myHappymind

Download your FREE myHappymind Parent App

...An online resource to support you and your family to learn more about how you can use myHappymind to support your child.

myHappymind for Parents

Exclusively for parents with children at a myHappymind School or Nursery.

Learn all about what your children are learning in school

myHappymind
Parent App

YOU WILL NEED THIS AUTHENTICATION CODE TO SIGN UP

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REMINDERS

BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club opens at 7.30am at a cost of £2.40 each per day or at 7.45am at the cost of £1.90 each per day. Children from Nursery to Year 6 can attend.

If you would like to book your child into Breakfast Club, please use ParentPay.

We have a free Breakfast Club 8.00am—8.30am

If you would like to book this please use ParentApps

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Our After School Club is available until 4pm at a cost of £2.50 each per day.

If you would like to book your child into After School Club, please use ParentPay.

EXTRA CLUB

We also offer an Extra Club service that runs until 6.00pm at a cost of £4.50 per day.

If you would like to book your child into Extra Club, please use ParentPay.

Please can you ensure that Extra Club places are booked and paid for in advance - by Monday morning. This ensures registers are accurate and places are booked and guaranteed.

If you have any problems booking any of our before or after school clubs, please contact Miss Armitage, one of our learning mentors.

DIARY DATES

ANY NEWLY ADDED ITEMS WILL BE IN BLUE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday	**17.10.25**		**Harvest Day**

COMING UP IN AUTUMN TERM

AUTUMN TERM ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	16.10.25	2.30pm	Roald Dahl Class Assembly
Thursday	23.10.25	2.30pm	Michael Morpurgo Class Deepawali Assembly
Thursday	13.11.25	2.30pm	Beethoven Class Assembly
Thursday	27.11.25	2.30pm	JK Rowling Class Hanukkah Assembly
Thursday	11.12.25	2.30pm	Vivaldi Class Assembly

DATES TO REMEMBER!

The photographer Sarah Fearne will be in school on **Tuesday 21st October and Wednesday 22nd October 2025** to take individual portrait photos.

Please see letter for more details

Halloween Disco

Thursday 23rd October 2025

5:00pm - 6.30pm

More details to follow!

Fluoride varnish—Monday 20th October 2025

MENU 20/10/25

Homemade bread, selection of seasonal vegetables or fresh salad served daily

Swain House Primary School

Wk 1 - 21st Apr, 12th May, 2nd Jun, 23rd Jun, 14th Jul, 1st Sep, 22nd Sep, 13th Oct
Wk 2 - 28th Apr, 19th May, 9th Jun, 30th Jun, 21st Jul, 8th Sep, 29th Sep, 20th Oct
Wk 3 - 5th May, 26th May, 16th Jun, 7th Jul, 28th Jul, 15th Sep, 6th Oct, 27th Oct

	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
WEEK 1	Cheese Flan (Served with Paprika Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables or Salad) Fajita Pasta Bake (Served with Crusty Bread, Salad or Seasonal Vegetables) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Apple Cake (Baked Vanilla Sponge with Blended Apples & topped with Icing Sugar) Freshly Prepared Fruit	Chicken Tikka Masala (Served with Rice & Salad) Halal Chicken Korma (Served with Naan Bread & Salad) Vegetarian Mince Lasagne (Served with Garlic Bread & Salad) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Flapjack Freshly Prepared Fruit	Roast Dinner (Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy) Halal Roast Chicken Tikka Dinner (Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy) Veggie Mince Shepherds Pie (Served with Yorkshire Pudding & Seasonal Vegetables) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Cornflake Tart (Served with Custard) Freshly Prepared Fruit	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (Served with Jacket Wedges & Beans or Salad) Mini Meatless Ball Pizza (Served with Jacket Wedges, Baked Beans or Salad) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Selection of Sandwiches Marble Sponge (Served with Chocolate Sauce) Freshly Prepared Fruit	Southern Fried Chicken Goujons (Served with Chips, Salad or Seasonal Vegetables) MSC Battered Fish (Served with Chips, Salad or Vegetables) Vegetable Dippers (Served with Ketchup, Chips, Salad or Seasonal Vegetables) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Selection of Sandwiches Ice Cream Tubs Freshly Prepared Fruit
WEEK 2	Homemade Cheese & Onion Pasty (Served with Seasoned Potatoes, Salad or Seasonal Vegetables) Bombay Veg Biryani (Curried Vegetables & Rice served with Naan Bread & Salad) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Chocolate Crispy Crunch Freshly Prepared Fruit	Spaghetti Bolognaise (Spaghetti Bolognaise, served with Garlic Bread & Salad) Halal Spaghetti Bolognaise (Spaghetti Bolognaise served with Garlic Bread & Salad) Arrabiata Pasta (Served with Crusty Bread & Salad) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Volcano Buns (A Sponge-like Biscuit with a Jam / Lemon filling) Freshly Prepared Fruit	Roast Dinner (Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy) Halal Roast Chicken Tikka Dinner (Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy) Savoury Veggie Mince & Tatties (Soya Mince & Vegetables served in a Yorkshire Pudding) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Old School Sponge Cake (Served with Custard) Freshly Prepared Fruit	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (Served with Chips & Beans or Salad) Savoury Rolls (Served with Chips & Salad or Beans) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Selection of Sandwiches Chocolate Sponge (Served with Chocolate Sauce) Freshly Prepared Fruit	All Day Brunch (Traditional Breakfast Items: Sausage, Egg, Toast & Beans) MSC Fish Fingers (Served with Jacket Wedges & Salad or Seasonal Vegetables) All Day Vegetarian Brunch (Quorn Sausage, Scrambled Egg, Baked Beans, Chips & Bread and Butter) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Selection of Sandwiches Oat Cookie Freshly Prepared Fruit
WEEK 3	Mac & Cheese (Served with Crusty / Garlic Bread & Salad) Veg Jambalaya (Seasoned Vegetables & Rice, served with Crusty Bread & Salad) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Jam Sponge (Served with Custard) Freshly Prepared Fruit	Chicken Pie (Served with Seasoned Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables) Halal Keema & Peas (Served with Pilau Rice & Salad) Cheese Roll (Served with Seasoned Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Fruity Flapjack Freshly Prepared Fruit	Roast Dinner (Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy) Halal Roast Chicken Tikka Dinner (Served with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy) Quorn Roast (Served with Yorkshire Pudding & Seasonal Vegetables) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Hot Sub Roll Fruit Jelly (Fruit Jelly topped with Cream) Freshly Prepared Fruit	Cheesy Beef Taco Pasta (Served with a side Salad) Cheese & Tomato Pizza (Served with Chips & Beans or Salad) Loaded Vegetable Pizza (Served with Chips & Salad) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Selection of Sandwiches Chocolate Sponge (Served with Chocolate Sauce) Freshly Prepared Fruit	MSC Fish Fingers (Served with Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables) MSC Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake (Served with Creamed Potatoes & Seasonal Vegetables) Breaded Cheese & Vegetable Grill (Served in a Bun with Salad & Optional Coleslaw) Assorted Jacket Potatoes Selection of Sandwiches Vanilla Cookie Freshly Prepared Fruit

the food quarter
FM SERVICES

For full allergen & nutritional information head to our app

City of BRADFORD METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

This week, our 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide from National Online Safety is about 'Dealing with traumatic & challenging events'.