

NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 19TH APRIL 2024



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SWAIN HOUSE COMMUNITY LIBRARY



We are extremely pleased to announce that our Community Library is now open! Please help yourself to the books and enjoy reading them at home. Please remember to return the books once you have finished with them so we can all enjoy them!

Our lovely library would not have been possible without the very generous donation from the family of a former teacher that worked at Swain House Middle School.

We are so very grateful for this kind gesture and we know that the children will enjoy the opportunity to read lots of different books!

Please read below to find out more about Kathleen Kitchen

Mrs Kathleen Kitchen was an English teacher at Swain House Middle School in the 1980s. Her family circumstances were such that she had to leave school at fourteen without any qualifications. She was a cleaner and mill worker for many years but after having her family she returned to education in her late thirties by studying at Night School three nights a week in Leeds. Much later she was able to enrol at Margaret McMillan Teacher Training College in Bradford and qualified as a teacher. She began her first teaching job at the age of forty-four but continued studying part-time for further qualifications until her mid-sixties.

Kathleen was a teacher who took great pleasure in helping children to enjoy reading and going to the theatre. Many former pupils will remember squashing into the back of her very small car for trips to the Alhambra theatre in Bradford. Most of all she was a kind person who always watched out for the underdog or someone missing out on potential life chances.

Kathleen Kitchen - 1926-2013

A former teacher at Swain House Middle School



OUTDOOR PERFORMANCE AND MUSICAL AREA

The work has started on the new outdoor area in our back playground. This is going to be a performance and musical area for the children at Swain House Primary in memory of Mr North, because he loved music and singing.

The money was donated by parents, friends and family of Mr North. His family wanted the money to be used to create a special area in school that the children would enjoy, and all of the staff and Governors agreed that this area would be a fitting tribute to Mr North.

Have a look at the progress so far...

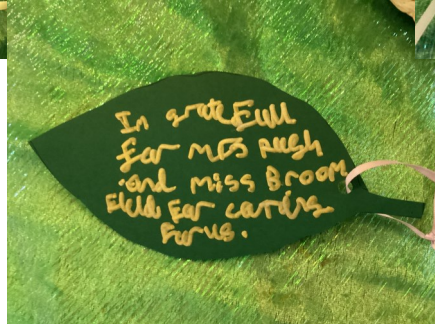
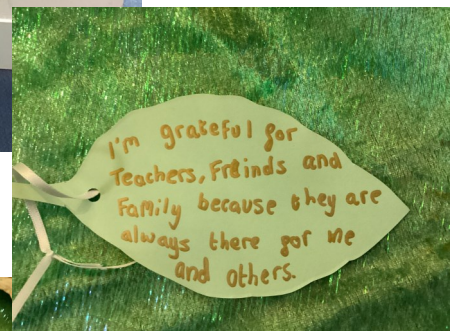
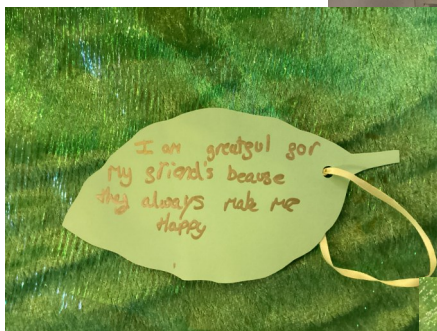


MYHAPPYMIND

We have a special tree in school, where the children are invited to write about what they are grateful for.

The children have enjoyed sharing their gratitude for an experience, a person or themselves.

Have a look at our lovely new 'Gratitude Tree'

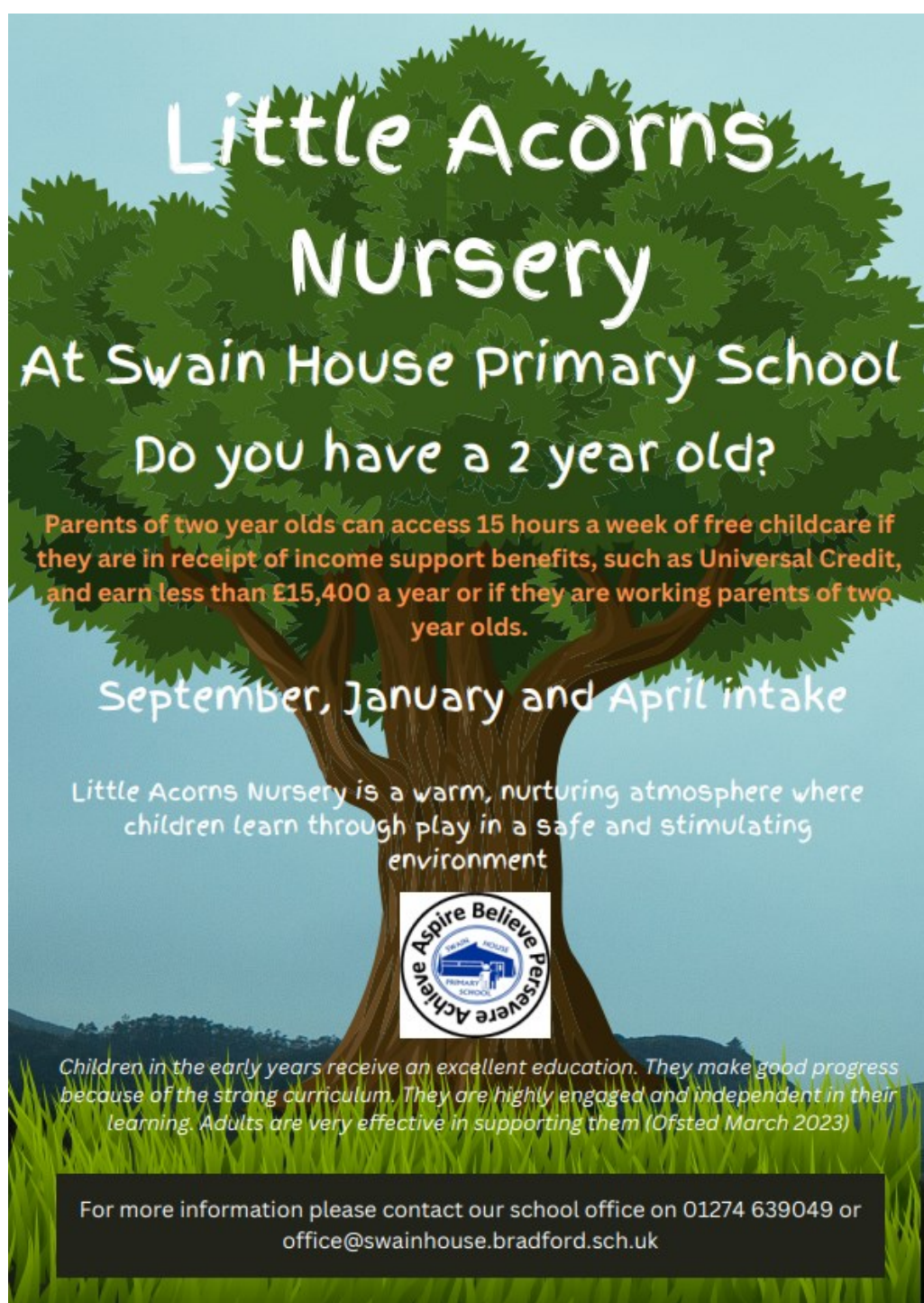


2 YEAR OLD FUNDED PLACES

WORKING FAMILIES 2 YEAR OLDS FUNDED EARLY EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE.

Did you know that working families are now eligible for 15 hours free childcare for 2 year olds?

We have places in our Little Acorns Nursery for 2 year olds. Please click on the link below to access the working families funded hours application form and contact us to book a place for your child. <https://fyi.bradford.gov.uk/information-advice/childcare-free-funding/funded-early-education-and-childcare/>



**Little Acorns
Nursery**


At Swain House Primary School

Do you have a 2 year old?

Parents of two year olds can access 15 hours a week of free childcare if they are in receipt of income support benefits, such as Universal Credit, and earn less than £15,400 a year or if they are working parents of two year olds.

September, January and April intake

Little Acorns Nursery is a warm, nurturing atmosphere where children learn through play in a safe and stimulating environment



Children in the early years receive an excellent education. They make good progress because of the strong curriculum. They are highly engaged and independent in their learning. Adults are very effective in supporting them (Ofsted March 2023)

For more information please contact our school office on 01274 639049 or office@swainhouse.bradford.sch.uk

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.



The World of Robots—Joe Craig

The book is about a girl and boy, called Jango and Izza. They are trying to build robots within a robot world. There is a lion in this book who is sneaky, he tries to catch the girl and boy and they get caught in a deadly game of cat and mouse! In the end they defeat the scary lion. This book is really exciting, I think you should definitely read it!

Roop—Year 3



SHARING YOUR NEWS!

Cooper in Year 3 was really excited to share another certificate from his rugby match last weekend. He received a 'Top Tackler' certificate—Well done Cooper!



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



JU:MP @ HOME!

Stuck for something to do? Want to play a game with your children and be active? Try out this week's JU:MP @ home activity - Crab and Bear-Walk Races!



CRAB AND BEAR-WALK RACES

Who won the race? The crab or the bear?

HOW TO PLAY WHICH WILL WIN?



What are you going to be?

- > Create a start and finish line somewhere in your home
- > Decide how you are going to race. Pick one of these or create your own:



- > **Crab:** Sit on the floor with your hands behind you and your knees bent, now lift up your bottom and move along the floor
- > **Bear:** Walk along the ground with both your hands and feet touching the floor

REMEMBER



Anyone can do this - The aim is to try and use as many objects as possible to make a fun and challenging course! If someone isn't racing, then they can be the umpire!

SUITABLE FOR: All ages

TAKES: 20-30 minutes



YOU WILL NEED:

- > Space to be a crab or a bear



SAFETY...

As with any activity consider the space and make sure you have enough room that is free of sharp edges!



Why not try?

- > Doing this activity with another person in the house
- > **For parents and children over 13 years of age:** Filming the activity on your phone and see what other families are doing. You can post on Twitter @JoinUsMovePlay or Facebook #JUMPathHome



DONATIONS!

We would like to increase outdoor learning sessions in school. If you have any wellies that are in good condition and your child has outgrown please could you donate them to school. Thank you for your continued support.



MYHAPPYMIND APP

The myHappyMind app has been updated and now includes some new features—kids zone, myHappyMind games and mini master classes for parents .



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



YOU WILL NEED THIS AUTHENTICATION CODE TO SIGN UP

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CLUBS AT SWAIN HOUSE



STREET DANCE
EXTRA CURRICULAR

SWAIN HOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL
RADCLIFFE AVE,
BRADFORD
BD2 1JL

EVERY TUESDAY
3.00PM-4.00PM

**FUN | ENERGETIC
CREATIVE SPACE**

£3.00 PER SESSION
CONTACT INFO@YACAD.ORG




Swain House Primary School and Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance Partnership



**CONTEMPORARY
DANCE CLASS**

**A SAFE, ACTIVE
CREATIVE SPACE
LET'S DANCE!**

£3.00 PER SESSION

TUESDAYS
4.00PM-5.00PM

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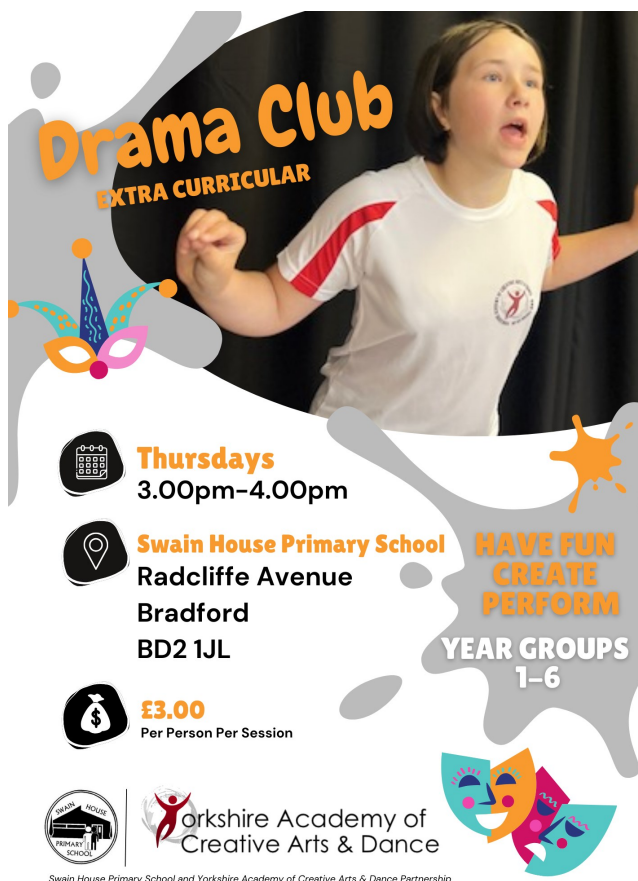
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SCAN ME




Swain House Primary School and Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance partnership



Drama Club
EXTRA CURRICULAR



Thursdays
3.00pm-4.00pm

Swain House Primary School
Radcliffe Avenue
Bradford
BD2 1JL

**HAVE FUN
CREATE
PERFORM**

**YEAR GROUPS
1-6**

£3.00
Per Person Per Session

Swain House Primary School and Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance Partnership



**MUSICAL
THEATRE**

**Learn the best moves from your
favourite musicals**

Every Thursday 4.00pm - 5.00pm
£3.00 per session

Swain House Primary School
Radcliffe Ave, Bradford BD2 1JL

Contact Info@yacad.org
Tel | 01274 955130



SCAN ME




Swain House Primary School and Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance partnership

COMMUNITY NEWS

TOGETHER TRUST
charity

Sleep Chat for parents/carers

Parents/carers of children aged 2-11 years across **Bradford and Craven** districts are invited to have a 20 minute phone call with a qualified Sleep Practitioner to discuss any sleep issues their child may be experiencing

Sleep Chat sessions will take place on the following dates between 10-12am:

Monday	27 November	2023
Thursday	14 December	2023
Tuesday	9 January	2024
Tuesday	6 February	2024
Tuesday	12 March	2024
Wednesday	17 April	2024
Thursday	9 May	2024
Tuesday	11 June	2024
Wednesday	10 July	2024
Monday	5 August	2024

If you would like to speak to someone, please email your full name, contact number and preferred date to:
admin@togethertrust.org.uk

You will receive an email to confirm your allocated phone slot and the practitioner will call you

Presented by
The Together Trust's
Specialist Sleep Practitioners

Programme of activity number: 000000

TEA & TOTS TUESDAYS
AT THE GATEWAY
10AM-12PM
REFRESHMENTS AND TOYS PROVIDED

ASPIRE PRO

ASPIRE PRO DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

- TUESDAY EVENINGS
- GOALS SOCCER CENTRE
- 5:00PM - 6:00PM
- AGES 5-12
- TERM TIME ONLY
- FA QUALIFIED COACHES

PLEASE CONTACT US VIA
FACEBOOK/INSTAGRAM ACCOUNTS OR VIA
EMAIL
ASPIREPROCOACHING@GMAIL.COM



GOALS

ASPIRE
PRO COACHING

Wednesday Wellbeing

Shipley Wellbeing Hub

A **FREE** group for anyone who is feeling low. Come along and chat, or offer a non-judgemental ear to others. Wednesday Wellbeing offers emotional support for people with low mood, kindness and shared experiences. Tea & coffee provided.

Shipley Library 1.45pm-3.15pm

Call the Shipley Well being Hub team for more information.

01274 271088/ 07908 631068

HALE Health Action Local Engagement
Healthy Living Charity
Charity Number: 1123542 Company Number: 6443243

HALE 1 Westgate, Shipley, BD18 3QX
Telephone: 01274 271088
Email: info@haleproject.org.uk

www.haleproject.org.uk

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facebook.com/HALECharityBfd/

BLOOMIN BUDS

crafty classes

Families can get crafty every week, check our facebook for each weeks theme!

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Rockwell Community Centre
Every Saturday
10.30am - 12.30pm

Bloomin' Buds
Theatre Company

COMMUNITY NEWS

DAY

ON THE

PITCH

BRADFORD CITY
FOOTBALL CLUB
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION



SUNDAY

28TH APRIL 2024

9:30AM-2PM

**THE UNIVERSITY OF
BRADFORD STADIUM
BD8 7DY**

**Come and play on the pitch where the
Bradford City first-team play their home games,
practise your skills, play games and have fun!**

Ages 5-14, all abilities welcome.



Full details and book:

<https://www.bcafc-portal.co.uk/event-details/bradford-city-afc-camp-day-on-the-pitch>

MOVING UP YOUTH CLUB

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CURRENT SCHOOL YR 6'S

Starts 23rd April 2024
Monthly Sessions + Moving Up

Team Building

Summer Camp

Positive Activities

Confidence

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Peer Support

Make Friendships

Transitional Support



Ravenscliffe Youth Centre, Roundwood Ave, BD10 0LL
For more details, call Nicky Lannen on 07582102432

COMMUNITY NEWS

SEARCH JOIN US MOVE PLAY ON FACEBOOK



ju:MP

DANCE



JU:MP IS HERE TO INSPIRE, ENERGISE AND SUPPORT OUR CHILDREN WITH FUN DANCE SESSIONS. WORKING ON A DIFFERENT RANGE OF DANCE STYLES TO GET YOU GROOVING!

Saturday Mornings During
Term Time Only

WHERE: Bolton woods Community Centre, 71 Livingstone Rd,
Bradford, BD2 1BD

TIME: 10.00am – 11.00am **AGES:** 5 - 14



FIRST SESSION IS FREE, £2 per session after

WEAR COMFORTABLE CLOTHING, bring your own WATER BOTTLE

For More **INFO** call **LAURA LIDDON** on 07719801013
or email **LAURA.LIDDON@BRADFORD.GOV.UK**



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Instagram **@2021JUMPANCE**, Twitter **@JUMPANCE2021**



Great Oak Nursery

at

SWAIN HOUSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Now enrolling for our September,
January and April intakes!



IS YOUR CHILD 3 OR 4 YEARS OLD?

We have full & part time places available in our well-equipped Nursery class run by an experienced, fully qualified teacher and Early Years Practitioners.

CALL NOW TO SCHEDULE A TOUR!

01274 639049

office@swainhouse.bradford.sch.uk

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 **19/04/2024**

Early Years and Key Stage 1:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Elm	95.2%	0
Willow	95.2%	1
Kandinsky	91.5%	2
Matisse	95.0%	2
Lowry	97.5%	2
Van Gogh	91.4%	2

Key Stage 2:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Anne Fine	97.1%	0
Roald Dahl	92.6%	1
JK Rowling	95.7%	4
J Wilson	98.3%	1
Elgar	97.4%	1
Mozart	96.0%	1
Beethoven	96.8%	0
Vivaldi	96.3%	1

Congratulations to **Lowry Class, Anne Fine Class, Jacqueline Wilson Class, Elgar Class, Mozart Class, Beethoven Class** and **Vivaldi Class** for having the **best attendance** this week.

Well done to **Elm Class, Anne Fine Class** and **Beethoven Class** for having no lates!

Our whole school attendance this week:

95.4%

COMMUNICATION SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER

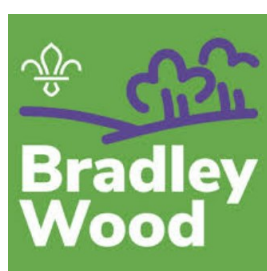
These are the letters, messages and website updates that have been sent out this week. If you have not received any of these letters, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the office on **01274 639049**.

WEBSITE UPDATES:	National Online Safety - Stay Safe on new Devices
LETTERS:	17.04.24 - Play Bradford 18.04.24 - Parking Concerns at School Drop Off and Pick Up 19.04.24 - Lowry Class Vaisakhi Assembly
MESSAGES VIA PARENTAPPS:	15.04.24 - Rescheduled Year 4 Nell Bank Parents Meeting 18.04.24 - Our New Outdoor Performing & Musical Area 19.04.24 - Parents Evening Reminder 19.04.24 - Our Swain House Community Library

COMING UP IN SUMMER TERM

SUMMER TERM ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	25.04.24	2.30pm	Lowry Class Vaisakhi Assembly
Thursday	02.05.24	2.30pm	Mozart Class Assembly
Thursday	09.05.24	2.30pm	Van Gogh Class Wesak Assembly
Thursday	16.05.24	2.30pm	Year 3 Residential Assembly
Thursday	06.06.24	2.30pm	Year 4 Residential Assembly
Thursday	13.06.24	2.30pm	Matisse Class Assembly
Thursday	20.06.24	2.30pm	Willow Class Assembly
Thursday	27.06.24	2.30pm	Elm Class Assembly
Thursday	04.07.24	2.30pm	Kandinsky Class Assembly
Thursday	18.07.24	1.45pm	Year 6 Leavers Production



YEAR 3 RESIDENTIAL

This half term, children in Year 3 will be attending their first residential to Bradley Wood. They will be going on 2nd May - 3rd May. Any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.



YEAR 4 RESIDENTIAL

Children in Year 4 will be attending their residential to Nell Bank. They will be going on 8th May—10th May. Any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

REMINDERS

BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club opens at 7.30am at a cost of £2.50 each per day or at 7.45am at the cost of £2.00 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.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Our After School Club is available until 4pm at a cost of £2.00 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 5.30pm at a cost of £4.00 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.

COMING THIS HALF TERM

ANY NEWLY ADDED ITEMS WILL BE IN BLUE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday	23.04.24	3.15pm	Year 4 Nell Bank Parents Meeting
Thursday	25.04.24	3.00pm - 6.00pm	Parents Evening
Thursday - Friday	02.05.24 - 03.05.24	N/A	Year 3 Bradley Wood Residential
Wednesday - Friday	08.05.24 - 10.04.24	N/A	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential

MENU 22/04/24

Swain House Primary School WEEK 3

W/C
22nd Apr, 13th May,
3rd June, 24th June,
15th July

MENU

For full allergen & nutritional
information head to
<https://schoolmeals.bradford.gov.uk>



in **foodquarter**

Choose from...

MON

- ✓ Homemade Cheese & Onion Pasty
- ✓ Savoury Roll
- Jacket Potato with Cheese & Tuna
- ✓ Jacket Potato with Cheese
- ✓ Cheddar & Mozzarella Hot Baguette



Roast Potatoes
Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Individual Salads

Desserts...

- ✓ Iced Bun
- ✓ Freshly Prepared Fruit

Choose from...

TUE

- Meat Lasagne
- ✓ Halal Pasta Bolognese
- ✓ Aubergine Pasta
- ✓ Cheddar & Mozzarella Hot Baguette
- Jacket Potato with Cheese & Tuna

Garlic Bread
Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Individual Salads

Desserts...

- ✓ Banana Mousse
- ✓ Freshly Prepared Fruit

Choose from...

WED

- Braised Sausage
- ✓ Halal Cottage Pie
- ✓ Cheese & Potato Flan
- ✓ Cheddar & Mozzarella Hot Baguette
- Jacket Potato with Cheese & Tuna

Creamed Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding
Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Individual Salads

Desserts...

- ✓ Syrup Sponge
- ✓ Freshly Prepared Fruit

Choose from...

THUR

- ✓ Cheese & Tomato Pizza
- Assorted Sandwiches

Jacket Potato Wedges
Baked Beans, Assorted Individual Salads

Desserts...

- ✓ Individual Ice Cream Tub
- ✓ Freshly Prepared Fruit

Choose from...

FRI

- Fish Fingers
- ✓ Vegetable Pakoras
- ✓ Cheddar & Mozzarella Hot Baguette
- Jacket Potato with Cheese & Tuna

Chips
Seasonal Vegetables, Assorted Individual Salads

Desserts...

- ✓ Chocolate Sponge
- ✓ Freshly Prepared Fruit



NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

This week, our 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide from National Online Safety is all about 'Township'.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about TOWNSHIP

Despite launching in 2011, Township remains popular with children and adults alike. A city-building game with farming elements, it tasks players with developing their settlement and unlocking new features along the way. Aimed at the more casual gamer, it's mostly child friendly – but there are still some related risks to be mindful of.

AGE RESTRICTION
4+
(on the App Store 'Everyone' on Google Play)

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MISLEADING PUBLICITY

Township's developers have previously faced criticism for advertising the game on social media by using clips of gameplay which can't actually be found in the final product. This may well lead to a child or young person downloading the game with severely misaligned expectations of what they'll be playing.

IN-GAME ADVERTS

While it's common for mobile games to feature in-game advertisements for other products and services, Township employs a particularly egregious strategy seen in several similar products. It offers users in-game currency in exchange for watching such adverts, which can obviously encourage young people to willingly expose themselves to marketing material.

IN-GAME PURCHASES

The game's core concept of building up a settlement to increase its population and income can feel slow paced at first – and players are incentivised to spend real-world money to move things along more quickly. That can mean handing over anything from £1.99 to £19.99 for these in-game boosts: amounts that can rapidly add up to a considerable sum if left unchecked.

TIME-CONSUMING GAMEPLAY

Township's gameplay loop of acquiring resources and reinvesting them into your little community is a fun one – but this rewarding sense of making progress can lead to players spending far more hours staring at the screen than they realise. There are also special in-game events which run for a limited time, designed to entice players into even longer gaming sessions.

ONLINE MULTIPLAYER MODE

After reaching level 18, players in Township can form a 'co-op' and unlock the option to exchange goods with up to 30 other users. Online multiplayer modes are nothing new, of course – but neither are the potential risks they pose to children and young people. Chances are, youngsters will be interacting with complete (and possibly much older) strangers within the game environment.

Advice for Parents & Educators

DISCUSS THE GAME IN ADVANCE

While older children may notice and understand that Township might be marketed in a potentially misleading way, it could be worth explaining to prospective younger players how and why the game differs from what's been advertised. This will help them to manage their expectations and avoid any possible disappointment if they do decide to download and play it.

MONITOR SPENDING AND SCREEN TIME

More modestly priced in-app bundles can be a welcome treat for a child wanting to speed up their progress in Township, but it's wise not to leave a linked payment method active in case a youngster gets carried away. Likewise, to prevent Township from causing an increase in screen time, parental controls on most devices allow limits to be placed on how long a game can be played each day.

BE WARY OF EXTERNAL SITES

Township's makers state that all in-game ads are age-appropriate: children won't be shown adverts recommending more violent titles, for instance. Even so, clicking on these adverts can take players out of the game and onto external sites that have nothing to do with Township or its developers: this raises the risk of children encountering inappropriate content or being tempted by online purchases.

TALK ABOUT ONLINE STRANGERS

Township's online multiplayer mode (as with any game which includes that functionality), is an avenue through which a child could be contacted by people who they don't actually know. It's worth reminding young Township fans, therefore, not to give out any personal information to strangers online – whether that's within the game itself or in the social networks associated with it.

Meet Our Expert

Editor in Chief of gaming and esports site GGRecon, Lloyd Coombes has worked in the games media industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new games and tools, he's also a parent who prioritises online safety. Writing mainly about tech and fitness, his articles have been published on influential sites including IGN and TechRadar.

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