

NEWSLETTER

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YEAR 3 RESIDENTIAL!

Year 3 had a fantastic time on their residential to Bradley Wood. It was our first time using this venue and we really enjoyed it. Lots of the children challenged themselves to do things they wouldn't usually do and we were so proud of all of them.

'My favourite activity was toasting the marshmallows to make smores' - Brannon

'I loved the archery and improved as I went along' - Olly

'I was worried about the crate stack being high, but I did it!' - Elsie

'I really enjoyed the climbing wall and got quite high up.' - Zach



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 - Juggling!



JUGGLING

Keep it off the ground!



HOW TO PLAY LET'S JUGGLE!

- > Put one ball in one hand and another ball in another
- > Throw one ball up in the air, and pass the other ball to the now empty hand
- > Try to catch the ball that's in the air with your spare hand
- > Do the same again
- > How long can you do it before a ball drops on the floor?

SUITABLE FOR: Ages 9-14
TAKES: 20-40 minutes

YOU WILL NEED:

- > 2 small balls - or things that can be used instead of balls, like a pair of rolled up socks

REMEMBER This is quite tricky! You might want to start by using only one ball, passing and throwing it from one hand to the other. When you get the hang of it, bring in a second ball!

SAFETY...
Make sure the balls you use aren't too big or heavy!

Why not try?

- > **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 #JUMPAthome

SHARING YOUR NEWS!

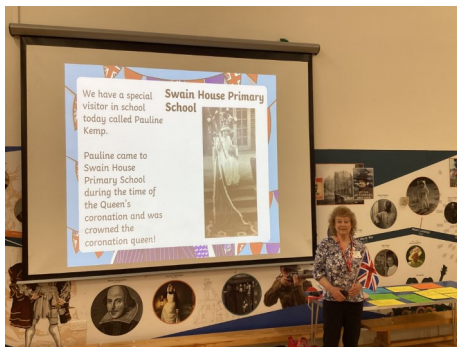
We would like to say a huge well done to Brooke in Year 3. After a year of attending choir practices at Bradford Cathedral as a probationary chorister, Brooke has become a full chorister. Here she is wearing her new uniform. Well done Brooke, we are very proud of you!



If you have any news about your child's achievements that you would like to share in our newsletter, please speak to your child's class teacher!

OUR SPECIAL, CORONATION VISITOR!

On Thursday 4th May, we had a special visitor in school. Pauline Kemp who was the 'Coronation Queen' when Queen Elizabeth II was crowned, came into school to talk to children in Reception - Year 6 all about the Queen's Coronation. She told stories and shared photos and the children enjoyed learning all about the Queen's Coronation.



OFSTED REPORT!

We are delighted to inform you that we have received our Ofsted report and can confirm that we continue to be a good school. Please follow the link below to read our Ofsted report. If you would like a paper copy, please ask for one at the school office.

[CLICK HERE!](#)



YEAR 4 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT!

Well done to our Year 4 footballers from last week. Despite losing 7-5, they put in an incredible performance and showed fantastic determination and teamwork.



READING PLANET REVIEWS!

Following the successful introduction of our new 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.

Monkeys and Apes

I have been reading the non-fiction book, *Monkeys and Apes*. I like this book because it tells you all about the different types of monkeys. It even shows you how to dance like a monkey! There are photos of cute monkeys. I like the fact that monkeys are the animals that look the most like humans. They can also do the same things as humans. Monkeys are very clever because they can complete activities that humans do!

Noah, Year 3



Farm Boy

I am reading *Farm Boy* by Michael Morpurgo and it is the sequel to *War Horse*, which we read in class during our World War topic. It is about a horse called Joey who gets sold to the army by his family. I am enjoying this book because it has great vocabulary, amazing illustrations and the author paints a picture for me of what life was like during the war. I would recommend this book to my friends because they enjoyed reading *War Horse* and this is just as good!

Hadleigh, Year 6

YEAR 6 SATS WEEK!

Next week, children in Year 6 will be taking part in their final, official SATS week. Please ensure your child comes to school on time and has had a good nights sleep. We want to wish all of our Year 6 children good luck for their SATs next week. Try your best and you will make yourselves proud!



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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 **05/05/23**.

Early Years and Key Stage 1:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Elm	91.7%	1
Willow	87.5%	1
Kandinsky	95.8%	1
Matisse	87.1%	1
Lowry	94.0%	0
Van Gogh	97.8%	1

Key Stage 2:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Anne Fine	97.8%	2
Roald Dahl	92.8%	3
JK Rowling	94.3%	2
J Wilson	100%	0
Elgar	95.4%	0
Mozart	98.1%	2
Beethoven	98.4%	0
Vivaldi	94.4%	3

Congratulations to **Van Gogh Class** and **Jacqueline Wilson Class** for having the **best attendance** this week.

Well done to **Lowry Class**, **Jacqueline Wilson**, **Elgar Class** and **Beethoven Class** for having **no lates**!

Our whole school attendance this week:

94.3%

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 - Top Tips for using Smart Watches
LETTERS:	04.05.2023 - Year 3 Residential Assembly
MESSAGES VIA PARENTAPPS:	

MENU 08/05/23

Swain House Primary School

Week Commencing
17th Apr, 8th May, 19th Jun,
10th Jul, 11th Sep, 2nd Oct

MENU Week 1

Day	Choose from...	Desserts...
MON	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Ravioli Hotpot 2 Vegetarian Chilli & Nachos Garlic Bread, Freshly Prepared White Bread Sweetcorn, Assorted Individual Salads	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Panini Desserts... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Strawberry Ice Cream Tub & Strawberry Sauce 2 Freshly Prepared Fruit
TUE	Choose from... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katsu Chicken Curry 1 Halal Chicken & Spinach 2 Japanese Style Veg Rice Pilau Rice, Naan Bread, Freshly Prepared White Bread Assorted Individual Salads	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Panini Desserts... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Volcano Buns 2 Freshly Prepared Fruit
WED	Choose from... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Braised Sausage 1 Halal Chicken Roll 2 Braised Quorn Sausage Creamed Potatoes, Yorkshire Pudding, Freshly Prepared White Bread Seasonal Vegetables	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Panini Desserts... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Syrup Sponge 2 Freshly Prepared Fruit
THUR	Choose from... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Cheese & Tomato Pizza 2 Chips Assorted Individual Salads, Coleslaw	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Desserts... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Pinwheel Biscuit 2 Freshly Prepared Fruit
FRI	Choose from... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Fish Fingers 2 Southern Fried Quorn Burger New Potatoes, Freshly Prepared White Bread Sweetcorn, Assorted Individual Salads	Assorted Jacket Potatoes, Panini Desserts... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Chocolate Sponge 2 Freshly Prepared Fruit

Suitable for






A selection of additional options e.g. sandwiches, jackets etc. will be available each day






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go to the FM School Meals App:
<https://schoolmeals.bradford.gov.uk>

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.

DIARY DATES

ANY NEWLY ADDED ITEMS WILL BE IN BLUE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	11/05/23	2.30pm	Year 3 Residential
Monday - Wednesday	15/05/23 - 17/05/23	All Day	Year 4 Residential

COMING UP THIS HALF TERM

SUMMER TERM ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	11/05/23	2.30pm	Year 3 Residential Assembly
Thursday	18/05/23	2.30pm	Kandinsky Class Assembly
Thursday	25/05/23	2.30pm	Mozart Class Assembly
Thursday	08/06/23	2.30pm	Year 4 Residential Assembly
Thursday	15/06/23	2.30pm	Matisse Class Assembly
Thursday	22/06/23	2.30pm	Willow Class Assembly
Thursday	29/06/23	2.30pm	JK Rowling Class Assembly
Thursday	06/07/23	2.30pm	Elm Class Assembly

YEAR 4 RESIDENTIAL

Children in Year 4 will be attending their residential to Nell Bank. They will be going on 15th May - 17th May. Any questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

COMMUNITY NEWS

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Want to make new friends, learn new skills and have fun?

If you answer YES! Then we could be the choice for you! Sessions run term time weekly and also include lots of extra activities like camping, day trips and badge days!

We meet at St Andrews Church, Undercliffe, BD2 4QH, if you would like to find out more information on how to join us please email
group29thbradfordnorth@hotmail.com



It's great fun for the young people but it's also good for adults!

Do you have some spare time to give up? We are always in need of volunteers to help run our sections or offer support on nights to our already friendly leadership team!

If you are interested in lending a hand please email us
group29thbradfordnorth@hotmail.com



NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

This week, our 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide from National Online Safety is about using Smart Watches!

10 top tips for safely using SMARTWATCHES

Kids love gadgets, and smartwatches – available to buy from as little as £20 online – make a tempting gift. As with any type of mobile technology, though, smartwatches can pose risks to children unless they're used safely. Receiving unwanted calls, cyber-stalking and distracting a young person when they're crossing the road are all known risks associated with smartwatches. However, these devices can bring plenty of benefits for children and parents alike – so let's examine the pros and cons of smartwatches.

AVOID CHEAP OPTIONS

A quick search online yields a torrent of cheap smartwatches for kids, costing as little as £20. It's wise to avoid this bargain basement tech: It tends to deliver a poor experience with inferior battery life, and it's hard to have faith in the software's safety. There have been cases of smartwatches being hacked to track or contact children; stick to known brands who have a reputation to protect.

CONTROL CALLING

Many smartwatches have the facility to make or take calls. As with a phone, you may want to restrict who your child can call – or be called by. On Apple Watches, you can select trusted contacts who are allowed to ring your child, while other watches' controls vary hugely. Some need to connect to a linked phone for calls, so you may be able to block unknown contacts via that device instead.

BEWARE HIDDEN COSTS

For a smartwatch to allow calls independently (that is, without being connected to a phone via Bluetooth), it will need its own mobile data plan. This might take the form of a tiny SIM card that you slot into the watch – or an eSIM, where the physical card is replaced by software settings. Either way, this will incur an additional monthly cost that you'll need to factor into any buying decision.

ENABLE FAMILY SHARING

Apple Watches aren't cheap, but they do offer superb safety features – allowing parents to control calls, messages and emails on the device, as well as a location tracking system that can send alerts if kids wander beyond pre-set boundaries. Their SOS function enables children to contact emergency services instantly if they're in trouble, which simultaneously also alerts parents and carers.

MAKE THEM COOL FOR SCHOOL

Some schools have banned smartwatches, as pupils have been using them as substitute phones. If your child's school does permit them, some devices can be set to prevent distractions in class. For example, Apple's Schooltime feature turns their watches into ordinary time-keeping devices during school hours. The display changes in this mode, showing teachers that it isn't being used for other purposes.

TRACK ITS LOCATION

Both Apple and Android devices have apps which allow you to track a smartwatch's location. They can also initiate an audio alert – avoiding those cushion-hurling panics when a treasured device can't be found at home. If you're planning to track your child's location via their watch, make them aware of that in advance. You could even make it a condition of them getting the watch in the first place.

THINK 'SAFETY FIRST'

Smartwatches are often worth hundreds of pounds, which can make young people wearing one a target for thieves. Advise your child to keep the watch hidden in public (when possible) and not to resist if muggers demand their watch. If you manage to track a stolen device, pass that information to the police: location data isn't always accurate, so you could end up wrongly accusing someone.

STORE MEDICAL INFO

Devices including the Samsung Galaxy Watch and Apple Watch can store the owner's medical details (such as their blood group and any pre-existing medical conditions), potentially giving emergency services access to vital information in a crisis. These devices also have 'hard fall' detection, which sends a text message to selected contacts along with a map showing the wearer's location.

USE THEM AS MOTIVATION

If you're worried your child's spending too much time slumped on the sofa staring at screens, smartwatches are great fitness trackers and can be a powerful incentive to get moving. Some devices will alert the wearer if they've been inactive for a long time and encourage them to do some exercise. Many watches record the user's daily step count and measure other health metrics.

BE MINDFUL OF BEDTIME

Many smartwatches offer sleep tracking, which some (usually older) children use to justify wearing them to bed. However, that also presents a temptation to message friends or check social media late at night, even if their phone is downstairs. Unless there's a valid reason not to, you could encourage your child to remove the watch in the evenings and ensure the charger stays in a different room.

Meet Our Expert

Barry Collins has been a technology journalist and editor for more than 20 years, working for titles such as the *Sunday Times*, *Which?*, *PC Pro* and *Computeractive*. He's appeared regularly as a technology pundit on television and radio, including on BBC Newsnight, Radio 5 Live and the *ITV News* at Ten. He has two children and writes regularly about internet safety issues.

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