# NEWSLETTER

### FRIDAY 28TH MARCH 2025



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### COMIC RELIEF 2025!

We raised an amazing £285 for Comic Relief last Friday. We enjoyed a bun sale and coming to school dressed in red!























### **AN EGG-CITING ARRIVAL!**



We have had an exciting arrival in Reception class! The eggs arrived at the beginning of the week and we now have chicks! Come back next week to see more photos of the children holding them!



### YEAR 1 VISIT TO SKIPTON CASTLE

As part of their history and geography lessons, Year 1 have been learning all about castles. They visited Skipton Castle and looked at all the different features of a castle.







### **EASTER CRAFT SESSIONS!**

Thank you to all our family members that have attended our Easter Craft sessions so far!





















### **GREEN POWER PROJECT**

Some Year 6 pupils have been working with a local secondary school Hanson to build a racing car as part of the Green Power project. They made the car totally from scratch! They have built the frame, wired up the electrics, drilled together the body work and designed the paintwork. They are working towards an upcoming race in July where we will be racing our car against other schools. We were so proud of their efforts and determination when building this car - here are some pictures of us hard at work!













# **HISTORY IN ACTION**



History has always been held in high regard at Swain House Primary and we pride ourselves on creating a love for history through creative learning environments, theme days and real life experiences. We aim to inspire our pupils curiosity and

fascination about history that will remain with them for the rest of their lives; we want pupils to understand the past and how history will shape their future.

History is taught throughout the year, so that by the end of Year 6, children will have a chronological understanding of British history from the Neolithic Age to the





present day. In addition to this, we commemorate special historical occasions such as Black History Month and Remembrance Day every year in school to deepen our understanding of national historical events.

In Early Years, we explore different opportunities to learn about familiar situations in the past and listen to stories that tell us in-

formation about the past and present.

In Key Stage One, we learn all about changes within living memory of ourselves



and our family members in Street Detectives, this even includes a trip to Morrisons, to discover how shops have changed. In Year 2, we learn about the significance of Robert Peel, concluding in a visit to Peel Park named in his honour.

In Lower Key Stage Two, we learn about the important figure of Sir Titus Salt in our Proud to be from Bradford topic and we

visit Saltaire to experience what life was like then. In Year 4, we learn about the Roman Invasion of Britain through to the Battle of Hastings in 1066, including the



Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. This year we had a very exciting workshop to deepen our understanding further.

In Upper Key Stage Two, we learn about the Bradford City Fire in our Proud to be from Bradford topic and learn all about the

Victorian era, including a trip to the Industrial Museum. In Year 6, we learn about the ancient Greek civilization and we were visited by a Greek soldier to tell us all about life in ancient Athens!







### **50 THINGS TO DO BEFORE YOU'RE FIVE**

This weeks activity is #26 Splish, Splash, Splosh. Please have a go at completing the activity and send any photos to **50things@swainhouse.bradford.sch.uk** then we will share them in our weekly news-letter!



Click <u>here</u> to access the 50 Things website to find out more about the activity or scan the QR code below



#### How to do it

Make sure that your water play isn't stressful by choosing where you and your child explore water. Inside can be fine as long as you protect your floor with plastic, towels or bathmats. Outside is wonderful in any weather with the right clothing.

#### What you will need

Water in containers (baby baths, bowls, buckets, water trays are all good resources) and/or flowing water from hoses, garden sprinkles and taps. You can also use plastic cups, funnels and spoons.

### SPOTLIGHT ON SEND

#### (SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITIES)

Each half-term, we 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. We highlight support available in school and also resources and workshops available in the local area.

Mr George and Miss Broomfield Keep updated with all things SEND at Swain House. Click <u>here</u> or scan the QR code.



#### **Neurodiversity Celebration Week**

Neurodiversity Celebration Week is a worldwide initiative that challenges stereotypes and misconceptions about neurological differences .

We celebrated it in school with a whole assembly sharing information and awareness about neurodiversity. Scan the QR



#### Bradford SENDIASS

Bradford SENDIASS is for parents and carers of children and young people (0-25) with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in the Bradford area - and for their children too.



The staff help parents and children to work together with schools and the local authority so that they have a good understanding of what support is



needed and to make sure that it is put in place. We can also offer IASS around health and social care needs in relation to SEND.

#### Holiday Activities and Food

Children on free school meals are eligible for a free place at a HAF holiday club during the Easter, sum-



mer and Christmas school holidays. HAF clubs provide free, fun activities and a healthy meal for eligible children, including children with SEND or additional needs.

Places are limited on the clubs so please book early to avoid missing out. Bookings are now open for the Easter holiday.

If your child is not on benefits-related free school meals, but has special educational needs or disabilities (SEND), then you will need to contact a club directly to ask if they have places available.

Details of all clubs and how to contact them, are on this link: https://www.bradford.gov.uk/education-and-skills/haf-holidayactivities-and-food-programme/find-holiday-activities-and-foodsessions-in-your-area/



#### Updated IEPs in School

Some children have an Individual Education Plan (IEP) in our school.

This IEP will be updated termly by their class teacher.

You will receive an updated copy shortly during parents' evening in Summer 1 term.

#### Speech and Language

We are aware of the waiting lists for speech and language sessions via the NHS.

Please <u>click here</u> to access NHS resources to support your child at home.

If you are concerned about your child's communication skills, you can refer them for support using this link - <u>Click here</u>

### **ASDA CASHPOT**

We raised a fantastic £295.64 for the Asda Cashpot for Schools scheme. Thank you to everyone who supported this scheme.



# **NEW GEOGRAPHY MURAL**

We are very excited to share our new geography mural in the small hall. We have included key locations from across our geography curriculum including Skara Brae, the pyramids of Giza and Antarctica. This will support children with map skills and their understanding of where places are in the world.





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 designed to help you have meaningful and fun conversations with your child and aid discussions about mental health and happiness.



# EASTER CRAFT SESSIONS



### Easter Craft Sessions

Year 1	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025	2.00pm – 3.00pm
Year 2	Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2025	2.00pm – 3.00pm
Year 3	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	2.00pm – 3.00pm
Year 4	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2025	2.00pm – 3.00pm
Year 5	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	2.00pm – 3.00pm
Year 6	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	9.00am – 10.00am



### 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.

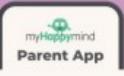


#### myHappymind for Parents

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



Learn all about what your children are learning in school



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YOU WILL NEED THIS AUTHENTICATION CODE TO SIGN UP

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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 **28/03/25.** 

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CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES		
Elm	88.0%	1		
Willow	99.0%	2		
Kandinsky	93.4%	2		
Matisse	98.8%	3		
Lowry	93.8%	1		
Van Gogh	90.9%	1		

#### Early Years and Key Stage 1:

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CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Anne Fine	96.7%	0
Roald Dahl	95.8%	2
JK Rowling	96.2%	1
Michael Morpurgo	94.1%	0
Elgar	95.6%	2
Mozart	98.8%	0
Beethoven	100%	0
Vivaldi	98.2%	0

Congratulations to Willow Class and Beethoven Class for having the best attendance this week.

Well done to Anne Fine Class, Michael Morpurgo Class, Mozart Class, Beethoven Class and Vivaldi Class for having no lates!

95.6%

### 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 'Bluesky .
LETTERS:	25.03.25 – Easter Chocolate Raffle Reminder 25.03.25 – Year Tropical Butterfly House Trip 25.03.25 – Reception Thornton Hall Farm Trip 26.03.25 – Decorate an Easter Egg Competition (GO, Rec, Yr 1 & Yr 2) 26.03.25 – Decorate an Easter Egg & Card Competition (Yrs 3 – Yrs 6) 26.03.25 – Change of Menu Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2025 26.03.25 – Year 2 Church Visit 27.03.25 – Mozart Class Easter Assembly
MESSAGES VIA PARENTAPPS:	25.03.25 – Non Uniform Day Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 27.03.25 – School Meal Price Increase 27.03.25 – Picking up from the Piazza (Yrs 5 & Yrs 6) 28.03.25 - Drop off at the Start of the Day/Breakfast Club

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### RAVENSCLIFFE YOUTH CENTRE



### **COMMUNITY NEWS**





Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance (YACAD) Co-op Academy Parkland Old Park Road Bradford BD10 9BG

Dear Parent/Guardian,

During the easter holidays Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance are delivering an Easter Camp at Co-op Academy Parkland. We believe your child may be eligible for a FREE place.

Camp	Ages	Time	Location
Mini Camp	5-7	10.00am-3.00pm	Co-op Academy Parkland, Old Park Road, BD 10 9BG
Main Camp	8-15	10.00am-3.00pm	Co-op Academy Parkland, Old Park Road, BD 10 9BG

Mini Camp will run for two days per week, Tuesday and Thursday: Week 1: Tuesday 8th April and Thursday 10th April only. Week 2: Tuesday 15th April and Thursday 17th April only.

Main Camp will run for 4 days per week, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: Week 1: Monday 7th April - Thursday 10th April Week 2: Monday 14th April - Thursday 17th April

To see if your eligible for a FREE HAF place, please register through the HAF portal below: https://bradford.haf.fun/login

If you are eligible, you will need to register your child to a club. Please choose **Co-op** Academy Parkland for Mini Camp and Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance for Main Camp. A member of our team will be in touch regarding the next step.

Every child must have an annual membership with us. This costs £10.00 and is valid till April 2026. You can pay for this on our website and fill in our membership form either before or on the first day of camp.

#### Kind Regards,

#### Jessica Leeming

Programme Development Manager (jess@yacad.org)

#### Easter Activities - Co-op Academy Parkland



Tuesday 8th April	Thursday 10th April	Tuesday 15th April	Thursday 17th April
Beginners taster Ballet class	Dance Acro	Drama Workshop 'Smurfs'	Music Madness
Lunch 12.30pm-1.30pm	Lunch 12.30pm-1.30pm	Lunch 12.30pm-1.30pm	Lunch 12.30pm-1.30pm
Aerial Silks	Aerial Hoop	Easter Baking	Arts & Crafts Easter Bonnets Competition Bunny Wooden Puppets

The following activities are for children aged 5-7. These sessions are run at Co-op Academy Parkland. The day runs from 10am-3pm (Lunch included). All attending must have a valid membership with Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance. **Book Now:** <u>www.yacad.co.uk/book-now</u>.

<b>COMMUNITY NEWS</b> Easter Activities - Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance					
	Monday 7th April	Tuesday 8th April	Wednesday 9th April	Thursday 10th April	
AM - Applied Art	Animal Drawings	Rice Maps	Lino Printing	Lino Printing	
AM - Aerial	Aerial Silks	Aerial Silks	Aerial Hoop	Aerial Hoop	
PM - Dance	Cheerleading	Contemporary	Jazz	Dance Acro	
PM - Creative Science	Melting Rabbit	Playdough Volcano	The Boat Challenge	Human Body	

The following activities are for children aged 8+. These sessions are run at Co-op Academy Parkland. The day runs from 10am-3pm (Lunch included). All attending must have a valid membership with Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance. **Book Now:** <u>www.yacad.co.uk/book-now</u>.

# Easter Activities - Yorkshire Academy of Creative Arts & Dance

	Monday 14th April	Tuesday 15th April	Wednesday 16th April	Thursday 17th April
AM - Arts & Crafts	Catapults	Ceramic Bird Feeders	Arts & Crafts Easter Bonnets Competition	Clay Modelling
AM - Baking	Easter Biscuits	Easter Egg Cups	Lemon Cupcakes	Easter Egg Nests
PM - Performing Arts	High School Musical HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL	High School Musical	Annie Annie Annie	Annie Annie
PM - Music	Singing	Percussion	Ukulele	Carousel

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# COMING UP THIS TERM

# SPRING TERM ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	03.04.25	2.30pm	Mozart Class – Easter Assembly

Year 4 Nell Bank parents meeting will be at 3:15pm

on Tuesday 1stApril in the main hall.



## REMINDERS

# BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club opens at 7.30am at a cost of £3.00 each per day or at 7.45am at the cost of £2.50 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 £2.50 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 6pm 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.

### **COMING UP THIS TERM**

#### ANY NEWLY ADDED ITEMS WILL BE IN BLUE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Tuesday	01.04.25	3.15pm	Year 4 Residential – Parents meeting
Thursday	03.04.25		Chocolate Raffle
Friday	04.04.25		Non Uniform Day
Friday	04.04.25		School closes for half term
Monday	21.04.25		Bank Holiday
Tuesday	22.04.25		School Reopens

# MENU 31/03/25



# NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

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