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Newsletter for 31st June 2016

**THE NATIONAL UNION OF
TEACHERS HAVE CALLED FOR
INDUSTRIAL ACTION ON 5TH
JULY.
SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED TO
ALL PUPILS ON THAT DAY.**

We wanted to let you know that the IGS concert last night, with the transition choir participating (including 21 singers from BRPS) went really well. The transition choir, with singers from All Saints, Ashlands & BRPS sang 'Skyfall' in front of a packed hall.

Eva Bechelet played a violin solo - 2 folk tunes - and she was brilliant. She was nervous beforehand but rose to the occasion and gave a flawless performance with great confidence. The IGS hall was overflowing with parents plus students from IGS, Ashlands and All Saints. (There was only one other solo in the concert and that was a Y13 female vocalist.)

Well done to all our musicians, and especially Eva.

We have a very busy 3 weeks coming up. The dates for events are in the panel on the right to ensure you are kept informed. We look forward to seeing you at the various events we have planned.

Thank you for your ongoing support, it really does make an enormous difference.

Ali Carrick, Interim Head Teacher

DIARY DATES:

Wednesday 5th July - School closed to all pupils due to industrial action.

Tuesday 5th July Y6 Welcome morning at IGS. Pupils go directly there and need to be collected by their parents as arranged.

Wednesday 6th July—Year 3 trip to Bradford Media Museum.

Thursday 7th July—new Reception starters visiting school.

Friday 8th July—Year 6 Transition Sports Day at IGS school field.

Sunday 10th July - Summer Fair

Wednesday 13th July—Sponsored bounce.

Wednesday—Friday 13th—15th July am: class transitions

Tuesday 19th July - open afternoon from 1.30pm

YEAR 6 PRODUCTION

Wednesday 20th July- house trip

Thursday 21st July - Road to Rio Olympic Dance workshops

Friday 22nd July - school closes for the summer holidays.



LEARNING HEROES

Reception
Tom Moffat

For coming up with good ideas.

Year 1

Evelyn Kennedy

For being confident, respectful and hardworking and for sharing ideas to help others.

Year 2

Audrey Home

For being resilient, considerate and making us laugh.

Year 3

Tiarna Monteiro

For being kind, helpful and always trying her best.

Year 4

Francesca Macina

For being resilient and continuing to put in 100% despite having a broken arm.

Year 5

Matthew Lambe

For setting a fantastic example to others with his super attitude to learning.

Year 6

Archie Fletcher

For being focussed and knowledgeable during a Year 6 trip to Airedale Hospital.

House Points Table

WEEKLY LEADERBOARD:

Buckden = 410
Ingleborough = 360
Pen-y-Gent = 297
Whernside = 272

OVERALL LEADERBOARD

Pen-y-Gent = 15,552
Ingleborough = 14,994
Whernside = 14,551
Buckden = 14,461

Well done to Buckden for having the highest number of points this week.

PTA update...

As we come to the end of the academic year the PTA would like to welcome new members. They constantly need people who can help out in a wide variety of roles not just on the committee. If you can offer any time please let them know, as the saying goes "Many hands make light work" and this truly is the case with an organisation like the PTA.



P.S. Don't forget the Summer Fair on Sunday 10th July - it's going to be fantastic!

This week the 'Caretakers Tidy Classroom Awards' goes to

EYFS and KS1—Year 1

KS2—Year 5

Well Done to everyone in those classes!

Polite reminder.

Children must wear school shoes, trainers are not acceptable as School Uniform. Thank you.



We are trying to win a competition for a class to go climbing at Clip 'N Climb Ilkley Ltd. All you need to

do is go to their Facebook page, look for the competition, go to comments, go to the very first comment where you will see our school logo then 'like'. The school with the most 'likes' will win a climbing activity for 30 children. We are doing well but are not quite in the lead. Any help would be appreciated.

Share with your friends too.

REMEMBER TO FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY AND LIKE OUR FIRST COMMENT.

THANK YOU!

Playground Rules

Do not climb or lean over the top of play equipment to avoid falling.

Do not ride bikes or scooters in the playground

If we have afterschool activities please do not allow children to play in their space.

Thank you for your support.

We have decided to hold a Sponsored Bounce to help raise funds for a new reading scheme. Letters and sponsor forms went home on Thursday. This is a fun event which will be held in the school hall. We hope children will have lots of fun bouncing as many times as they can in one minute and we will be able to start researching a more effective reading scheme.

"The Daily Mile is not PE, cross-country or sport. It is physical, emotional, social and mental health and wellbeing" <http://thedailymile.co.uk>. The Daily Mile is an innovative way to enhance the health and wellbeing of all children. Following its inception in one school in 2012, the Scottish Government now formally recommends the Daily Mile for all of its primary schools. It is now implemented in a growing number of schools across the UK.

Ben Rhydding Primary School is implementing the Daily Mile as a non-competitive, inclusive and supportive way for children to improve their health and help them focus within the classroom. The Daily Mile will take place for 15 minutes every day, regardless of the weather. Children will walk/jog around a set course within the school grounds with their class peers. There is minimum fuss as children do not get changed and no equipment is needed. The basic formation of a daily physical activity habit for children is an invaluable mental skill and obvious physical benefit. The evidence shows that this is an enjoyable part of the day for children who within four weeks will see improved stamina and fitness. Teachers report that children return to the classroom refreshed and ready to concentrate. The success of the Daily Mile lies in the simplicity!

Staffing September 2016

Reception	Mrs Alston	Mrs Head, Ms Shaw
Year 1	Miss Bibby	Mrs Hennessey
Year 2	Miss Kelly	Mrs Armitage, Mrs McNee will work in Year 1 and 2
Year 3	Mrs Leach/Mrs Seton	Mrs Jacques, Ms Leafe, Mrs Simpson
Year 4	Mr Fletcher	Mrs Benson, Mrs Simpson
Year 5	Ms Stephenson	Mrs Wilcock, Mrs Chapman
Year 6	Mrs Cumberland	Mrs Robinson

Mrs Armitage and Mrs Jacques are our Higher Level Teaching Assistants (HLTAs) who provide cover for teachers when required. Mrs Armitage will work as part of the EYFS/KS1 team whilst Mrs Jacques will work as part of the KS2 team.

Depending on the needs of pupils staff may work in more than one class. The information above shows where they will be based on a regular basis.

Following recent Governing Body meetings we have been asked to review our charging and remissions policy. As a result there are a number of changes we are introducing:

Due to the significant reduction in our school budget we have had to take the decision to reduce the amount we subsidise school trips and visitors. We will still provide support to families who qualify for some government benefits (if you are unsure please speak to one of the ladies in the school office. However, if we don't receive sufficient voluntary contributions trips or educational enhancements may have to be cancelled. We are keeping the cost as low as possible. Thank you.

As part of the review we have looked at our charging policy for external agencies to use the school premises. This has led to an increase in the charge to Playstation and Pre-school. Charges for these groups have not been increased since they were introduced in 2011/12. We have also taken the decision to charge providers who run clubs for children during or after the school day—activities that you are already paying for. This is because the school incurs costs for cleaning, repair and redecoration when rooms are used. In some cases we have also been responsible for the payments, adding to the workload of the office staff. We have kept our charges in line with educational establishments in general.

We are committed to working with all groups who want to provide activities for our pupils but cannot continue to use the school budget to subsidise these events.

E-safety workshop delivered by the PCSO **(Police Community Support Officer)**

Do you know what your children are watching online?
Is Penguin Club TOTALLY safe for your children?
Are your children aware of 'stranger danger' online?
Are your Internet filters set up correctly?
Do you know how to access the internet history?



If the answer to any of these is NO then this workshop is for you.

7th July @ 7.30pm @ Ben Rhydding Primary School

ADULTS ONLY—OPEN TO PARENTS, CARERS, GRANDPARENTS AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS.

Steve is a PCSO working in this area. He is very experienced and extremely knowledgeable in e-safety.



If you would like to know more about this workshop please speak to Mrs Wilcox or Mrs Robinson who are co-ordinating the event.