



A Very Warm Welcome to Everyone -13 Sept 2022

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In respect, love and fond memory of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II

We have celebrated in school the wonderful life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and have reflected on the care, respect and love she showed everyone in the nations across the world. We have shared the lovely card and letter from her Lady in Waiting which arrived when we returned to school and thanked us for the cards and good wishes we sent to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee. We thank Her Majesty for a life well lived and for her service to us all – God bless the Queen. We have also offered prayers to His Majesty King Charles III and hope that he reigns with the same dignity, diligence and love that his mother did.

Following guidance from the DFE school will be closed on Monday 19th September for the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

It has been an absolute delight meeting and greeting many of you last week and seeing so many happy, smiley children, parents and grandparents 😊. I would like to offer a very warm welcome to all our new families and hope that you quickly feel part of our wonderful school community. We are all very proud of our school and believe it is a haven for caring and sharing and for inspiring everyone to try their best through our school vision of: ***Learning hand in hand together with God.***

Drop off and Pick up

Well done to everyone for navigating the drop off and pick up arrangements so seamlessly, I am sure you have now found the correct gates and exits to collect your children.

Parking

A **huge** thank you to everyone for keeping the school drop off zone free from parked cars this week, it has had a very positive effect on the safety of the car park. I fully appreciate the difficulty of parking near school with the council parking meters and permit places. Can we remind all parents/carers and adults to continue to follow the clear signage in the school grounds and that this information is passed onto anyone you ask to pick up your child;

- Please **do not park, wait in or block staff bays at ANY TIME** (particularly at drop off and pick up) - they may look free but staff arrive at different times and the spaces are needed.



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- Please do not park or wait in the drop off zone between 8.30 – 9.15am. This zone is NOT for parking and walking your child into school.
- Please do not park or wait in the disabled bays unless a badge holder/permitted user
- Please do not stop and drop off/wait/pick up in the turning circle

Uniform and Jewellery

The children look wonderful in their uniforms and the vast majority are in dark coloured school shoes. Also school permits watches to be worn and small plain stud earrings but no other jewellery including Loom Bands and friendship bracelets/necklaces should be worn in school. Please also ensure that your child comes with a coat every day as we try to go outside for all breaks and lunchtimes.

Dogs

Please can we remind you of the access for dogs within the school grounds;

- Well-controlled dogs on leads will be permitted only through the Easby Drive school entrance into the car park area of the school grounds
- Dogs must stay on their lead with their owner, using the area by the bins to stand if they wish to see their child/ren enter the playground
- Dogs **must not be left unattended at any time** - either in the school grounds or tied to any school gates, particularly Westville Road entrance
- Dogs are not permitted in any of the playground areas (even puppies being carried)
- Entrances must be kept well clear so that children can pass through freely and safely. Children should not have to interact with dogs, if they prefer not to.

Curriculum Information

The curriculum newsletters went out last week and will also be on the school website, please refer to these for curriculum coverage, helpful information about content and routines for your child this half term. Can I also remind you that children will need to come in their PE kit on the days they have PE and these are identified on your child's curriculum letter:

<https://www.allsaintsilkeley.bradford.sch.uk/class-information/>

Meet and Greet Visits Years 1-6 (Tue 13 and Thu 15 Sept)

Again, the information about the meet and greet evenings was sent out last week and we are looking forward to meeting many of you this week.

Key Stage 1	Lower Key Stage 2	Upper Key Stage 2
1MS Mrs McInnes/Schofield	3S Mrs Simmonds	6B Mrs Binney
1M Mrs Margerisson	3W Miss Wheelhouse	6Q Mrs Quinlan
2BK Mrs Brown/Miss King	4F Mrs Fox	6T Mr Thornton
2M Miss McMurrough	4H Miss Hetherton	Miss Jeffery-Y6 group

I would like to thank Mrs Brown for her first week as Acting Deputy Headteacher and also the staff for supporting her in this new role. School is definitely in very safe hands until the appointment of a new Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher.

Kind Regards
Mrs M Robinson



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OFFICE REQUESTS

Arbor

Thank you for your patience as we continue to get to grips with Arbor.

Foundation and New Parents/Carers – Please bear with us as we work through admission forms and add your contact details to Arbor. As soon as everyone is added we will send Arbor activation emails which will include a link to the online user guides for parents.

School Meals

Your child must have school meals or packed lunches, they cannot have a combination of the two unless otherwise agreed with the school to accommodate special dietary requirements. If your child wishes to change their selection we normally require two weeks' notice, where possible

Children in Foundation and Key Stage 1 (Years 1 & 2) are eligible to receive a free school meal under the government initiative of Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM).

Absences

If your child is unwell please telephone school by 9.00 am to inform us. If your child's absence is prolonged please keep us advised as to their progress and estimated return. For safeguarding purposes, if we do not have a reason for absence the school office will make telephone calls home after 9.30 am.

Late Arrival/Early Departure

For safety reasons, if you arrive late or have to pick your child up early please use the main entrance where your child will be signed in/out. The perimeter gates are locked during school hours and the only accessible entry route is via Easby Drive.

Leave of Absence During Term Time

To request leave of absence during term time you will need to complete the "Application For Leave of Absence From School" form which you can get either from the office or download from the website and return it to school at least two weeks before the date of departure, where possible. In line with Bradford's Leave of Absence policy, leave of absence will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.

Medical/Dental Appointments

As far as possible, medical and dental appointments should be booked outside of school hours. Where this is not possible, a note/email should be sent to the school office informing them of the date, time and reason for the appointment.

Medicines in School/

Medication should not be brought into school unless as part of an ongoing long-term health care plan. The school requires parental consent to administer medication. Should a child need to take medicine during the school day then a form should be completed in line with the School Administration of Medicine Policy, and the medicine should be handed in to the school office.

School Clubs

We run a variety of clubs both during lunchtime and after school. We rely heavily on a wonderful team of staff and volunteers who give their free time willingly. A list of the available clubs running in school this term will be sent out shortly.

Contact Details

Data sheets will shortly be sent home for all children in Years R-6 for parents to check that the details we hold on our system are correct and up to date. Please make any necessary amendments, sign and return the form to the school office as soon as possible. Please also sign and return the data sheet even if no changes are required.



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Please find below forthcoming dates and events for your diaries. Please note that these may be subject to change and additional dates added.

DIARY DATES

DIARY DATES (Autumn Term)	Date
Meet the teacher – 3.20pm	13/09/22 & 15/09/22
Yr 5 Chess Event	16/09/22
EYFS Full Time	16/09/22
PTA School Uniform Sale	16/09/22
School closed for the funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II	19/09/22
EYFS – Zoom Phonics Training for Parents – 17.00pm	20/09/22
Cross Country – Westville House	01/10/22
Whole School – Individual School Photos	06/10/22
PTA – School Disco	14/10/22 (TBC)
Cross Country – Ashlands	15/10/22
Harvest Festival – All Saints’ Church	18/10/22
Yrs 5&6 Visit to Joseph at the Alhambra	19/10/22
School closes for October Half Term	21/10/22
School re-opens – 8.50am	31/10/22
Yrs 1-6 Parents’ Evening – Zoom	02/11/22
Yrs 1-6 Parents’ Evening – Zoom	03/11/22
EYFS – Stay and Play	W/C 07/11/22
KS1 Parent Book Look	07/11/22
3S Collective Worship	08/11/22
UKS2 Parent Book Look	09/11/22
LKS2 Parent Book Look	10/11/22
Cross Country – Ghyll Royd	12/11/22
Open Day	15/11/22 (TBC)
1M Collective Worship	18/11/22
The Plumber Drummer (in school)	28/11/22
6T Collective Worship	29/11/22
PTA Christmas Wreath Making	02/12/22
School Choir at Church	03/12/22
Two Rivers Band (in school)	07/12/22



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DIARY DATES Cont. (Autumn Term)	Date
Yr 1 Carol Service	08/12/22
EYFS Nativity	08/12/22
KS1 Nativity	09/12/22
PTA Christmas Fair	10/12/22
EYFS Christmas Party	13/12/22
UKS2 Christmas Party	15/12/22
KS2 Carol Service at Church 7pm	15/12/22
LKS2 Christmas Party	16/12/22
KS1 Christmas Party	16/12/22
School closes for the Christmas holidays	16/12/22
School re-opens – 8.50am	04/01/23