

## Happy Friday!

As always, it has been a busy week in school. On Thursday, we welcomed **Claire Williams** into school. Claire is our new **School Improvement Partner** who works for **Northumberland County Council**. Claire has taken over from **Jane Kennedy** who has supported the school over the last **two years**. I'd like to thank Jane who has been a huge **advocate of Beaconhill** and always offered **purposeful** and **insightful** feedback to help us improve as a school. Claire's visit this week provided her with an opportunity to get to see **what we do well** and our **next steps** going forward. Claire comes with a wealth of **knowledge** and **experience** and we look forward to working closely with her. A huge thanks in advance to **Mr Shepherd** and **Mr Wright** who will be accompanying some of our **Year Five children** to the '**Thunder in the Valley**' basketball competition in **Newcastle**. Best of luck, everyone - I am sure you will make us proud. See you all soon, Mr Routledge

## OOSC

As you may already know, from **Monday**, we are extending our **Wraparound care**. Our provision will start at **07:30** and run until **18:00**. This adjustment offers more **flexibility** for parents/carers who may need care for a longer period after the school day finishes. The **pricing structure** is outlined below but please rest assured that we have done what we can to limit cost and ensure that it is in line with other schools within **Cramlington**.

**Breakfast Club** will be open from **07:30** at a cost of **£3.50** per session

**After School Club** runs from 15:15 until 18:00

**15:15 – 16:15:** £4

**15:15 – 17:15:** £7

**15:15 – 18:00:** £9



## MP Visit to Beaconhill

On **Friday**, we welcomed our local MP, **Emma Foody**, to **Beaconhill**. Emma took time out of her schedule to visit us and was keen to learn more about our school and the **issues** that **affect** both our **students** and the **wider community**. Emma was given a **tour of the school** and had the opportunity to see firsthand the **wonderful work** of our **pupils** and **staff**. She was also eager to hear from our **school council** about the **successes** as well as **challenges** that our school faces. Emma answered some **insightful questions** from the **School Council** about her role as an **MP**. Emma then took the views of our councillors to **Westminster** (see facebook and the link below).



<https://hansard.parliament.uk/Commons/2024-11-14/debates/24A092DC-5CE1-49A3-B886-815E3431C8CA/details#contribution-779B7CC1-C505-4C1A-8C3A-B0F621465BB1>

## TTRS Rematch (Students vs Adults)

Today, 'Battle Of The Bands 2.0' begins! Last time, the children were narrowly defeated by our 'competitive' adults. However, this time I know for certain the children will be doing all they can to ensure they win this time around. As before, the **winning team** and **top scoring players** will receive a **tasty treat** as a reward for their hard work in answering the most times tables questions. The competition runs from today until **Friday 22nd**. Daily competition time will be between **7am** and **8pm**. Best of luck everyone!



## Children in Need

Today we marked **Children in Need**. Our children all looked **bright** and **cheerful** with children in their **spotty outfits**. Earlier in the week, one of our very creative Year Four girls created a miniature teddy out of pipe cleaners which looked an awful lot like Pudsey himself! We will keep you **informed** as to how much **money** you helped to raise for a **brilliant cause**. Thank you all very much for your **contributions**.



## Anti-Bullying Week

This week, schools nationally marked **Anti-Bullying Week**. The **theme** for this year was '**Choose Respect**' which links nicely to our **core values**. Claire, our School Improvement Partner, praised the excellent working environment that she witnessed in classes. She spoke to the school council to gather views from the pupils and they



## Remembrance Day

On Monday morning, the whole school went onto the yard at 11am to mark **Remembrance Day**. Four of our **Year Six** children read a **poem** in **tribute** before we observed **two minutes of silence** and **reflection**. As always, the children **observed** the **silence impeccably** and showed great **respect** to those who have **fought** for our freedoms in times of **conflict**. Thank you to **Mrs Carrick** for organising this on behalf of the **school community**.



## Playground Project

On **Monday**, **Years Two** and **Five** were treated to a session each delivered by Alex from **Northumberland County Council Sports Development Team**. These sessions are planned to develop skills such as **respect**, **communication** and **teamwork** through games and sport. The children **spoke positively** about these sessions and have started **coaching** some of our **younger children** during lunchtimes. We look forward to developing these **leadership skills** throughout the year.



## Attendance

Very well done to **Year Three** who have **recorded** the **highest attendance** for two weeks in a row! **Attendance** has been challenging this week throughout school. **Winter bugs** are doing the rounds so we are encouraging children to be thorough when **washing hands** and to be careful when **coughing** and **sneezing**. If you could reinforce this at home too we would be grateful! We continue to work closely with our **Education Welfare Officer** to challenge **concerns** around **attendance**. Good attendance is proven to make a huge difference to **academic outcomes** so please work with us to ensure that your child is **in school, on time, every day**.

**Reception** - 88.67% **Year One** - 90.67% **Year Two** - 93.93% **Year Three** - 97.86% **Year Four** - 93.67%  
**Year Five** - 92% **Year Six** - 92.50%

## On the Menu Next Week . . .

### Beaconhill Primary School

### Autumn One 2024 Menu

**WEEK TWO** 🏠 **Homemade Dish**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Choices	🏠 Cowboy Lunch 🏠 Vegetarian Cowboy Lunch 🏠 Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings	🏠 Chicken dinner/Vegetarian 🏠 Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta 🏠 Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	🏠 Bolognese pasta 🏠 Cheese Melt 🏠 Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings	🏠 Turkey/Quorn Dinner with Yorkshire Pudding 🏠 Salmon Bites 🏠 Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	🏠 Chicken Goujons/Quorn Nuggets 🏠 Oven Baked Fish 🏠 Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings
Potatoes Pasta / Rice	Hash Browns	Roast Potatoes Crusty bread	Crusty Bread Smiley Faces	Mashed Potatoes	Chips
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Beans
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad
Starters or Sweets	🏠 Jammy Cake	Ice Cream	🏠 Homemade Shortbread	🏠 Fruit Jelly	🏠 School Pudding of the Day

**Fresh fruit and a selection of breads are available at every meal.**  
**Drinking water is also provided on dining room tables.**  
**Menus are subject to change.**