

Happy Friday!

Hello everyone, I was disappointed to miss the performances at the start of this week as I was unwell and had to work from home. The feedback from staff and parents was really pleasing and the **children performed beautifully**. It is always a **highlight** in any **school calendar** and I am sure your children have created **lasting memories** for you all. I thoroughly enjoyed the **Key Stage Two** performances though and the staff and children deserve a huge amount of credit for putting them together. A big thanks to **Miss Andrews** and **Mrs Carrick** for all of their work during the singing **assemblies** every **Wednesday**. Thanks also to **Mrs Cragg** for putting the Key Stage Two performance together - the flying feathers were amazing!



All in, the **collections** during the performances raised around **£500** for school funds so thank you all for your **contributions**. Thanks also to our **kitchen staff** and **Miss Wilkinson** for making the **festive biscuits** and **mulled wine** - they seemed to have gone down a storm! We are now on the **home straight** and we are all looking forward to the **Christmas break**. Next week we will try to ensure that we keep to **normal school routines** as much as possible to provide children with some structure. We do have **festive activities** lined up however so I am sure it will be another enjoyable week. We're nearly there! Enjoy the weekend, Mr Routledge

Christmas Lunch

Our **Christmas lunch** this year was a massive success. The **food** was **delicious** and the children all seemed to enjoy it enormously. Being from Leeds, the **yorkshire puddings** were a personal highlight! A big thank you to **Miss Luke** and **Mrs Walton** for putting it all together. We were also grateful for the **very kind donation** of **Christmas crackers** from one of our parents which the children pulled with a friend during their meal. This is only my second **Christmas** at **Beaconhill** but this dinner was definitely the best one yet!

Winter Bugs

As we move into the final week of term, it is particularly important for us to all be vigilant around general **winter** and **tummy bugs**. We will be encouraging all children to be particularly thorough when **washing hands** and to be careful when **coughing** and **sneezing**. It would be very helpful if you could **reinforce** this **message** at home and ensure hands are **thoroughly cleaned** before school. **Attendance** has been very impressive this year and we want to ensure we **end** the **term** on a **high note** so everyone can enjoy Christmas in good health.

Holly and Ivy

On Wednesday, we were treated to another **fantastic performance** from the **Holly and Ivy** team. **David, Laura** and **Stuart** helped to get everyone in the **festive spirit** with some **traditional festive music**. The children joined in brilliantly and could **remember** many of the **songs** from hearing them in **previous years**! The musicians were extremely **complimentary** about our **school** and **children** and are already **in the diary** to return this time next year!



2023 Poppy Appeal

On Wednesday a volunteer from the **Royal British Legion** delivered a card to let us know that we raised **£264.84** for the **Poppy Appeal** this year. Very well done to all. I am sure the **money** will make a **big difference** to many people - especially at this time of year.

Multiskills competition

This half term, **Year Three** have been practising their multiskills for a competition that took place last week. We are **delighted to announce** that they came **first place** and will **progress** to the next part of the competition which will be held in **January**. A huge congratulations to all of Year Three on their achievements!

Friday 22nd December

A reminder that parents/carers are invited to pick their children up at **1:30pm** on the **last day of term** from their **normal class entrance** should they choose to. Otherwise, pick up time will be at **3:15pm as normal**. Children who remain in school in the afternoon will enjoy **Christmas themed activities**.

Christmas Parties

Next week we will have our class **Christmas parties**. On the day of their party, children from **Years One to Six** should come to school in their **normal school uniform** with **party clothes in a bag** to get changed into. Please can you ensure that **shoes** (and **clothes**) are appropriate for a school setting. School will provide party food for the children.

Years One and Two - Monday 18th December

Years Three and Four - Wednesday 20th December

Years Five and Six - Wednesday 20th December

Early Years - Wednesday 20th December (*Children in Early Years **only** to come to school in their party clothes to save time getting changed)

OOSC

Bookings for **breakfast** and **after school** clubs are open on the **School Money App**. We are looking forward to hosting our themed days - **Mario Kart Monday**, **Small World Wednesday** and **Friday Film Night!** For further information, contact oosc@beaconhill.northumberland.sch.uk



On the Menu Next Week . . .

Beaconhill Primary School Winter 2023/2024 Menu

Week Three

Homemade Dish



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Choices	Meatballs In Tomato Sauce Fish Fingers Sandwiches with a Choice of Fillings	Roast/Veggie of the Day with Yorkshire Pudding Tuna Mozzarella Melt Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Cowboy Lunch Vegetarian Cowboy Lunch Sandwiches with a Choice of Fillings	Roast/Veggie of the Day & Yorkshire Pudding Chicken Goujons Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Oven Baked Sausage Tomato and Mozzarella Pizza Sandwiches with a Choice of Fillings
Potatoes Pasta/Rice	Oven Baked Potato Wedges Pasta	Roast Potatoes	Hash Browns	Creamed Potatoes	Chips Pasta
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad
Starters or Sweets	Apple Crumble with Custard	Rice Pudding with Fruit Sauce	Chocolate and Banana Marble Cake	Chocolate Brownie	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.