

Happy Friday!

Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed the **half-term break**. Earlier this week, we welcomed **Mrs Black** back after her **maternity leave**. Mrs Black has spent the last few months away from school with her little **baby boy** but is now back in school full time which we are delighted with. We also hosted a **work experience** placement for a young man called **Tom Robinson** who comes from an **illustrious family of teachers** you may be familiar with! A big thanks to Tom for **getting stuck in** with everything a busy school week has to offer. A reminder that next **Friday** will be **Black and White Day 2.0**. Children are invited to wear a **Newcastle shirt** or something black and/or white ahead of the League Cup Final. For now, I hope you all have a lovely weekend, Mr Routledge



World Book Day

Yesterday, we marked **World Book Day** in school. We were blown away by the **amazing outfits** on display - from staff as well as children. I wondered whether a new headteacher was due to take over when **Miss Trunchbull** turned up but, much to my relief, she didn't show up today. Children took part in activities throughout the day related to **WBD**. **Mrs Robinson** shared her favourite story in **assembly** and children across school took part in a live lesson delivered by local author, **Simon Bartram**. Simon's book, '**Rufus**', which features a **friendly monster** is available to **purchase online** if any of your children have mentioned it to you!



Girls Football Event

Earlier today, Girls from **Years One to Six** took part in a football event alongside players and staff from Cramlington United. Around **70 girls** in total took part in **drills** and **games** organised by external coaches. Despite the mud and a few passing showers, the girls had a brilliant time. We hope that some of our girls might join a football team on the back of the event! Thanks to **Mr Shepherd** for putting everything together ahead of the day.

Glasshouse Visit

On Tuesday, **Year Four** visited the **Glasshouse** in **Gateshead** to listen to the **Royal Northern Sinfonia** perform music from the **BBC Ten Pieces** programme. They were transported back in time as far as **1100** (listening to a choral piece of music by **Hildegard**) all the way through to a futuristic piece of music composed for the video game **Plants Vs Zombies**. We also took the opportunity to point out some of the



landmarks in **Newcastle** and **Gateshead** including the **River Tyne** as this links to their future work in science. Feedback from staff was extremely positive. A big thank you to **Miss Andrews** for **orchestrating** (ba-dum-tsss) the event.

Footwear

A reminder of our **school uniform** expectations. We ask that children wear **plain black shoes, boots or trainers**. All footwear should be plain with minimal logos or markings. Footwear should also be **flat** without a **wedge** or **heel**. We aim to ensure that our children are **smartly presented** and have a **sense of belonging** without the added **pressure** of feeling the need to **conform** to fashion trends. We appreciate your support with this.

Year Five 'Back on Track' Project

On **Tuesday**, Year Five had a visit from **PC Robson** and **PC Mulligan** as part of a six week project relating to antisocial behaviour. They came to talk to us about the dangers of **illegal motorbike** use and how to report anti-social bike use in our area. Over the next **five weeks**, children will be working with other **emergency services** including **fire** and **ambulance** crews. The children listened well and had some very **interesting questions**!



Beach

Despite the bus being slightly **delayed** in coming back after some **repairs**, we still managed to squeeze in **three visits**! On Tuesday, **Year Five** visited **Blyth Beach**. Children took in the **sights, sounds** and **smells** in preparation for our return visit in a few weeks where we will be performing some **poetry**. They enjoyed a nice long walk along to **Seaton Sluice**, sketching some of the sights along the way. As ever, children also did their bit for the environment by doing some **litter picking**.

Attendance

This week, I handed out **certificates** for children who recorded attendance of **96%+** last half-term. We had fewer children than usual but this wasn't a surprise after the **horrendous bug** we had in school! Children with **96%+** earned a **Bronze Certificate**, 98%+ earned a **Silver Certificate** and children with 100% attendance received a **Gold Certificate**. As we do for every half-term, children with **100% attendance** will also receive an extra prize in the form of a **film afternoon**! For this half-term which runs from now until **Easter**, children with **100% attendance** will receive an **Easter** themed **treat**! We accept that, at times, children can't help being off but over the course of the year, there are **six separate opportunities** to earn an extra special prize. If your child didn't quite get a prize this time, there are still plenty more chances to come! Well done to Years **One, Two, Three, Four** and **Six** for recording particularly **impressive attendance figures** this week. Keep up the good work.

Reception - 92.67% **Year One** - 96.67% **Year Two** - 97.86% **Year Three** - 97.86% **Year Four** - 95.71%
Year Five - 91.72% **Year Six** - 96.30%

On the Menu Next Week . . .



Beaconhill Primary School Autumn One 2024 Menu WEEK THREE



Homemade Dish

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Choices	Pizza Wrap Fishfingers Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Tuna & Mozzarella Melts Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	Mince and Dumplings Tomato and Basil Pasta Sandwich with a Choice of fillings 	Gammon dinner/Quorn Fillet with Yorkshire Pudding Chicken Goujons Jacket Potatoes with a Choice of Fillings 	Fish Fingers Sausage/Vegetarian Sausage Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings
Potatoes Pasta / Rice	Oven Baked Potato Wedges	Pasta Crusty bread	Mashed Potato Crusty Bread	Roast Potatoes	Chips
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Baked Beans
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads	Seasonal Salads
Starters or Sweets	Marshmallow Crispy Squares	Strawberry Delight 	Cheesecake 	Homemade Biscuit Glass of Milk or Juice 	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.

