

Happy Friday!

The school term is now in full swing. Children have settled in really well and I have enjoyed seeing how much they're enjoying their new classes. This week, we welcomed members of the **Yamaha Music School** to **Beaconhill** to deliver one of their very **popular assemblies**. We are keen to support links to the **music school** which is in Blyth. Letters went home this week with children who expressed an interest. I look forward to hearing about their lessons soon. A big 'well done' to everyone who took part in the **Great North Run** weekend. It was lovely seeing many of our children showing off their medals in school. Well done to **Mr Shepherd** who cruised through the **13.1 miles** in an impressive **1 hour 50 minutes**. I hope you all enjoy the weekend! Thanks, Mr Routledge



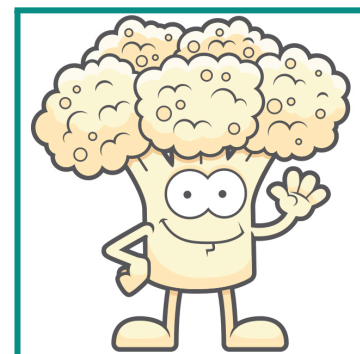
Chess Club

Mr Gray launched our **Chess Club** on Monday lunchtime for our **Year Four, Five** and **Six** children. I must confess that my own chess knowledge is limited (and that's being polite) so I may have to pop along next week to try to learn something new. Keep up the good work, everyone!



Cauliflower Cards

Children will bring home their **Cauliflower Christmas** design project sheets today. The items you can order will feature your child's artwork and make lovely keepsakes for family and friends. We have been **fundraising** using **Cauliflower** for a number of years now and families have been very happy with the **mugs, cards, notebooks** and other items that have been produced from the children's **creative designs**. All orders should be returned to your child's classroom or the school office by **Monday 30th September** at the latest please. Payment and ordering this year will be **online**. Information regarding this is on the form. Please visit the link below for **inspiration!**
<https://www.cauliflowercards.co.uk/christmas-artwork-guidelines>



Head Lice

We have had a couple of cases of **head lice** in school this week. Head lice and nits are **very common** in young children and their families and are picked up by **head-to-head** contact. Staff are not able to search children's hair for live lice, but if any are spotted we will **inform parents immediately** so that treatment can be started at once. Please remember to check and treat the whole family to avoid further spread and again after four to seven days to catch any newly hatched lice.

A good website to visit is www.headlice.org which has a useful section of **frequently asked questions**. We also ask that **long hair** is tied back for **health and safety reasons** and to avoid the potential of head lice to spread.



Non-uniform day

On **Friday 27th September** we would like to invite the children to come to school in their **own clothes** in

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exchange for a **voluntary donation** for our halloween raffle. **Halloween** themed **chocolates**, **sweets** and **craft donations** should be handed to class teachers on the day. Please remember that we are a **NUT FREE** school and ensure that clothes and shoes are appropriate for school. Thank you for your continued support.

Lucky Tray Day

Advanced noticed that we will have our termly '**Lucky Tray Day**' on **Thursday 3rd October**. Every pupil who has a school dinner that day is in with a chance to win a prize. Last October, we had our very popular **Newcastle United** themed prizes on offer so we plan to do the same again. On the menu will be **pizza**, **chips**, a **choc ice** and **juice**. We will also have a **range of sandwiches** on offer for those who don't like pizza so, hopefully, there is something on the menu for everyone!

Induction Meetings

Thanks to everyone who was able to make it to the **Induction Meetings** this week. It was lovely to see so many of you in school. We appreciate that not everyone is able to make it to the meetings due to other commitments. Updated versions of the **class information pages** will go on the **website** over the next few days. As always, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch.

Parking

A polite reminder for parents/carers to try to **park courteously** at pick up and drop off. I appreciate that there is a **limited** amount of **space** in the car park outside school. We do not have responsibility for this area as it is not on school grounds but we ask that you try to park safely and within the bays.

School Day

A reminder that the school day starts at **08:45** for all children in **Years One** to **Six**. We expect children to be lined up outside their classroom doors by **08:45** ready to go straight in and start their learning. For children in **Years Four**, **Five** and **Six** who make their own way to school, we ask that they arrive **no earlier than 08:30**. It's great that some children are so keen to get to school but I've seen some children on the yard just after **08:00**. As we move into the **winter months**, it is too dark and cold for children to be on the yard so early so please help us to ensure your children don't set off too early.

Asda Cashpot

An update from our **Asda Cashpot**. At last count, you'd helped us accumulate over £300 which will go towards school funds. There are still several weeks for the cashpot to add up. If you don't already know, Asda is running an initiative called '**Cashpot for Schools**' which could benefit us. When shopping with **Asda Rewards**, they'll donate **0.5%** of your total spend to your chosen primary school (which, of course, will be us!). This is in addition to your **own earnings** through the cashpot. If you shop at Asda, open the **Asda Rewards app** and add Beaconhill to your 'cashpot'. Thanks for the support!



Mobile Phones

I have noticed that some of our children are using their **mobile phones** on the yard just **before** or **after** school. We ask that all children keep their phones **out of sight** when they enter the **school grounds** - either in their **pocket** or

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bag. This is for **safeguarding** purposes. I have reminded children of this expectation this week but would really appreciate it if you could reinforce this at home.

Attendance

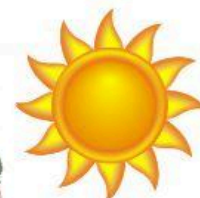
Very well done to **Year Three** who recorded the best overall attendance this week. **Years One, Four** and **Six** also recorded admirable **attendance** rates of **96%+**. Overall attendance was 96.18% this week - the second consecutive week of 96%+. Keep it up!



Reception - 91.72% **Year One** - 99.33% **Year Two** - 92.50%
Year Three - 99.66% **Year Four** - 98.33% **Year Five** - 95% **Year Six** - 96.67%

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.