

Happy Friday!

Everyone has been riding high this week after an incredible result for **Newcastle** on **Sunday**. We enjoyed watching the **highlights** together on **Monday** in assembly. I'd promised some of the children that I'd dye (well, spray!) my hair **black** and **white** if **Newcastle** won. **Miss Ringrose** did the honours and gave me a **makeover** on Monday morning. My hair is somewhat 'salt and pepper' anyway so I am not sure if anyone actually noticed! As if the week couldn't get any more exciting, on **Tuesday**, **Mrs Williams** and I were lucky enough to meet former **World Record Holder** and Olympian **Fatima Whitbread** at a **conference**. Fatima spoke about her **experiences** growing up and the importance of creating **strong relationships**, **triumphing** over adversity and **aiming high**! She was incredibly inspirational and thought provoking. Much of what she said linked with our core values but I thought she was a particular advocate of being **#ambitious** **#respectful** **#resilient** and **#enthusiastic**. I hope you all have a lovely weekend! Mr Routledge



Mr and Mrs Thompson-Shepherd

Tomorrow, our very own **Mr Shepherd** will be getting married! Everyone in school is delighted for both **Mr Shepherd** and his wife-to-be, **Rebecca**. In his honour, we had a **jazzy sock** themed assembly as Mr Shepherd possesses a vast array of **bright** and **colourful** socks. He and his new wife will be combining their names so, from next week, he will be known as **Mr Thompson-Shepherd**. I am sure you will join us in wishing them both a lifetime of happiness.

Year Six Yamaha Visit

On **Monday**, half of **Year Six** had another opportunity to listen to a **live music performance** at the **Yamaha Music Centre** in Blyth. We watched a performance of **Peter and the Wolf** by an actor, who narrated the story, and a fantastic pianist, who provided **sound effects** and **musical accompaniment**. After the performance, the children were invited to see the inner workings of the **grand piano** and discover how the sound is made when pressing the keys. All of the children were **impeccably behaved** and showed real **interest** and **engagement**.



Doodle Spring Challenge

From the 1st April, children in **Reception**, **Year One** and **Year Two** are invited to join the **Spring Challenge**. Joining the challenge is a great way to encourage a few minutes of daily 'doodling' to top up your child's mathematical **knowledge** and **understanding**. Excitingly, they can earn a **pin badge** and **certificate** if they successfully complete the challenge. To complete the challenge, children will need to earn **350 stars** and access **Doodle Maths** on at least **seven separate days** during the month of April. From the **1st April**, parents/carers can register for the challenge by [Parent Dashboard](#) and selecting 'Register'. Before registering, parents/carers will need to create and/or link a **parent account** to their child's **Doodle account**. Follow the PDF link below

[PDF with instructions](#)



Beach

This week, **Year Four** visited **Holy Island**. They children learned lots about the **Viking** raids in **793AD** and about monks like **St. Aidan** who lived on the island. They then wrote **postcards** about their fantastic visit and chased **Monk Wharton** down the beach while pretending to be **Vikings**. A big thanks to **Mrs Wharton** and **Mrs Black** for conducting back to back visits which can be exhausting (but well worth it!).

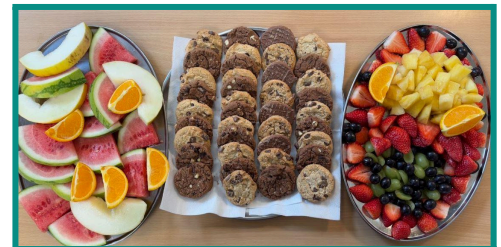


Adventure Babies Workshop

Nursery and **Reception** had a special visit from **Ashleigh** from **Adventure Babies** this morning. She read the children an **interactive story** of 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy and the children joined in with the storytelling with their own teddy bears and colander space helmets. The children listened **carefully** and joined in **beautifully**.

SATs Talk

It was lovely to see a group of you in school on **Wednesday** morning to hear more about the **Key Stage Two SATs**. We always work hard to ensure that children are well prepared for their **SATs** but not overwhelmed by them. If you were unable to attend on **Wednesday** but would like to hear more, don't hesitate to get in touch. Next Wednesday (24th), **Mr Thompson-Shepherd** will deliver a **phonics session** for parents/carers of our **Year One** children. This session is designed to show you at home how you can support your child ahead of the statutory **Phonics Screening Check** in June. As ever, fresh **fruit**, **biscuits** and **tea/coffee** will be available!



Red Nose Day

Today we had a splash of red in school to mark **Red Nose Day**. We appreciate that we have had a few themed days in recent weeks so we didn't ask for any contributions. Should anyone like to donate to **Comic Relief**, follow this link - [Red Nose Day | Comic Relief](#)



Friday March 28th

We invite children to come to school in non uniform. If you would like to contribute an **Easter themed** donation for our hampers, (crafts or chocolate) we would be very grateful. The money from these raffles goes to support the various extra-curricular activities that we offer our children. **Raffle tickets** will be coming home with your child soon. As always, we are very grateful for your support.

Year Five 'Back on Track' Project

On **Tuesday**, **Year Five** had their third '**Back on Track**' session. This week, Gary from the **North East Ambulance Service** visited us. He ran a fantastic session which had all of the children **engaged** and **enthusiastic** throughout. They also enjoyed learning some vital **first aid skills**. Next week, we will host **traffic police officers** for another safety session.





Attendance

This week, **Year Two** recorded the highest attendance. Reminder that all children with 100% attendance will be getting an attendance treat at the end of this half term.

Reception - 90% **Year One** - 95.67% **Year Two** - 98.57% **Year Three** - 97.50% **Year Four** - 96.07%
Year Five - 86.55% **Year Six** - 97.78%

On the Menu Next Week . . .

Beaconhill Primary School Autumn One 2024 Menu



WEEK TWO

Homemade Dish

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Choices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cowboy Lunch Vegetarian Cowboy Lunch Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chicken dinner/Vegetarian Tuna & Sweetcorn Pasta Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bolognese pasta Cheese Melt Sandwich with a Choice of Fillings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turkey/Quorn Dinner with Yorkshire Pudding Salmon Bites Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.