

Happy Friday!

Hello and welcome back! I hope you all had an enjoyable **half-term** break. Children have all been full of **excitement** this week with the buzz of **Halloween** and **Bonfire Night**. This half-term will undoubtedly be a very **busy** one with **Christmas Performances**, **parties**, **choir performances** and so on all taking place over the next **six weeks**. Children have quickly got back into their learning this week and have produced **work to be proud of**. A big thank you to all of the chocolate donations which came in today. The chocolate **tombola** is always popular and I am sure this will help to raise funds for our ongoing **school improvement** initiatives. Your money went a long way in helping to **resurface the yard** last year and we have plans for **further improvement** soon. For now, I hope you all have a **lovely weekend**, Mr Routledge



Reception 2026

The **portal** to apply for **Reception** places for **September 2026** is now open. Please follow the link to get your **applications** in. <https://nland.cc/Admissions26>

Clubs

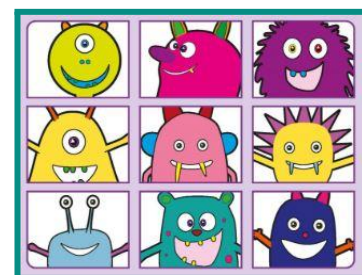
On **Monday**, we had the last of our **Year Five Basketball After School Club** sessions delivered by the **Newcastle Eagles**. We also started a new club for **Key Stage One** children which is focussed on developing basic **athletics skills**. We have mapped out **extra curricular clubs** for the rest of the year so keep an eye out on the newsletter each week to see what will be on offer in the **Spring Term**.

Security

Some of you may have noticed that we have recently **installed** a new, **enhanced security system** at the front office. This system is designed to **improve** the **safety** and **security** of everyone in school. **Visitors** will now find a **bell** at the front door, which should be used to alert **office staff** upon arrival. This allows us to **carefully manage** access to the **building** and ensure a **safe environment** for our **pupils** and **staff**.

Year One Phonics Screening Check Workshop

A reminder that next **Wednesday (12th)** at **09:05**, **Mr Thompson-Shepherd** will host a **Year One Phonics Screening Check** workshop. The check, which is delivered in the **Summer Term**, is a **statutory assessment** which Year One children complete nationally. The **workshop** will provide parents/carers with an overview of the check, how we help prepare children for the check and how you can **support at home**. Come along for a **tea/coffee** and a **biscuit**. We look forward to seeing you there.



Fire Drill

Today, we conducted a **fire drill** over the **lunch period** to ensure the **safety** and preparedness of everyone in school. I am pleased to report that the **drill** was carried out very **effectively**. **Pupils** and **staff** demonstrated excellent **cooperation**, **calmly** and **safely** vacating the building in a **timely manner**. This practice is an important part of our commitment to maintaining a safe environment for all and I am proud of how well everyone

responded. I wanted to let you know in case any of our **younger children** mentioned a fire - don't worry, it was only a drill!

Photographs

This week, we welcomed our photographers, **Phototronics**, into school to take our **annual school photographs**. The children all looked **smart** and **posed beautifully** for the pictures. The **photographs** are expected to be sent home **early next week**. Please note that **payment** should be made directly to **Phototronics** rather than to the school. **Payment details** will be included with the **photographs**. If you choose to **pay by cash**, please ensure you provide the **precise amount** as we are unable to **provide change**.



Harvest Donation

I received the following **letter** from the **Cramlington Foodbank** regarding our recent donation. As always, a huge thank you for your **generosity** and **support** - it is hugely appreciated.



Dear Mr Routledge and the Beaconhill Primary School Community,

Thank you so much for continuing to support Cramlington Foodbank. In total your Harvest Festival donation weighed in at an impressive 68kg. Without generous donations like yours, it would be impossible for the volunteers here at the foodbank to provide for the many local people who are in need of such help. Especially in these times of rising costs for everyone. What a thoughtful and generous school community you have in Beaconhill Primary. We are very grateful for your ongoing support.

With our love, thanks and blessings, Lorraine Alexander (Project Manager)

Attendance

Very well done to **Year Five** who recorded the **highest overall attendance** this week with a **fantastic 98.57%**. It has been a good start to the **half-term** overall and I hope we can continue this way. Please continue to do everything you can to ensure that your children are in school, on time, every day!



Reception - 94.33% **Year One** - 97.69% **Year Two** - 95.71% **Year Three** - 95.36%
Year Four - 93% **Year Five** - 98.57% **Year Six** - 94.33%

On the Menu Next Week . . .

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Week Two	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Course	Chicken Noodles Tuna/Cheese* Wrap Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Gammon/Veggie Roast Fish Fingers Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Chicken Fajitas Cheese* and Broccoli Pasta Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Beef/Veggie Roast and Yorkshire Pudding Tuna/Cheese* Melt Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Chicken Goujons/Veggie Nuggets Pizza Wrap Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)
Potatoes/Pasta/ Rice	Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes	Fluffy Rice Crusty Bread	Roast Potatoes	Chips
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bar	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad
Desserts	Creamy Rice Pudding (With a choice of Fruit)	Homemade Shortbread	Strawberry Mousse	Iced Vanilla Sponge	School Pudding of the Day (With a choice of Fruit)