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Happy Friday!

This week's **Book** of the Week was <u>Squish</u>, <u>Squash</u>, <u>Squeeze</u> by <u>Tracey</u> Corderoy and <u>Jane Chapman</u>. The story (which is one of my favourites!) explores key themes such as <u>acceptance</u> and <u>problem-solving</u>. In assembly, children <u>reflected</u> on times when they should think <u>creatively</u>, be <u>inclusive</u> and <u>work together</u> to overcome challenges. If you'd like to share the story at home, follow the <u>link above</u>. In other news, one of our pupils, Jude, continues to wow us all with his amazing skills on the scooter. Last weekend, he travelled up to



Ayr to take part in the Junior Scootish Open. Jude finished 3rd in his age category which included children who were much older! His brother, Jaxon, also won a medal for being the most enthusiastic and vociferous member of the crowd! I hope this weekend is somewhat warmer and less icy. Many thanks, Mr Routledge

School Photographs

School photographs, which were taken earlier this half-term, will be collected on Thursday 27th November. Photographs and payment must be handed in ready for this date and you will hopefully receive your lovely prints the following week.



Mr Clark

Mr Clark, who has been supporting classes across Key Stage Two, will be leaving us from today. He has been working with us since September and we are very grateful for the hard work and dedication he has shown during his time with us. We all wish him every success in the future.

Thunder in the Valley

On Friday, Mr Thompson-Shepherd, Mr Wright and seven Year Five pupils headed into Newcastle to represent Beaconhill in the Thunder in the Valley basketball event. The children were a credit to the school and performed admirably. The enthusiasm shown by Daniel in particular was incredible and he really helped to drive the team forward. As ever, a huge thank you to Mr Thompson-Shepherd and Mr Wright for giving up their time and for supporting the children.

Out of School Club Booking

We kindly ask that all wraparound sessions are booked in advance. We are currently at the peak of our numbers and spaces are very limited. Booking ahead helps us ensure we have the appropriate staffing and can offer a safe and well-organised environment for all children.

Christmas Performances

The children have been busy this week practising for their **Christmas Performances** and we're very excited to invite parents and carers to come and watch them. Please remember to check your child's bag for the tickets which will be coming home soon. To ensure we meet all **health** and **safety** regulations, tickets are limited to **two per family** for each of the Key Stage performances. If you need to **swap** the ticket you receive for the alternative performance, please **return your original ticket** to the school office.

Where possible, we will exchange it for the other performance. We look forward to welcoming you and sharing the children's wonderful Christmas work!

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- EYFS and KS1 Monday 8th December 9:15-10:00am and Tuesday 9th December 2:15-3:00pm.
- KS2 Thursday 11th December 9:15-10:00am and Friday 12th December 2:15-3:00pm.

Christmas Fayre Arrangements.

We are delighted to invite parents and carers to join us as we begin our Christmas celebrations at our Christmas Fayres! Please take note of the dates and times listed below - we can't wait to share the festive fun with you. If you would like to attend the Fayre with your child, please collect them promptly at 2:20pm from their usual classroom doors. After collection, simply make your way to the main entrance to join us in the Hall, where the festivities will begin. Families with children in morning only Nursery are welcome to return to school for the EYFS Fayre. To help us keep each event safe and enjoyable for everyone, children will only be released to attend their Fayre on their allocated day and to a known adult.

Our Fayres will be filled with **festive treats**, including teas, coffees and biscuits.. You'll also be able to try your luck at the **Bottle Tombola** and enter our **Christmas Raffle** - perfect for adding a little extra sparkle to the season! Thank you, as always, for your wonderful support. We look forward to celebrating the magic of Christmas with you all.

- Nursery and Reception Monday 1st December collect from classroom doors 2:20pm, Fayre opens 2:30-3:15pm.
- Years Four, Five and Six Tuesday 2nd December collect from classroom doors 2:20pm, Fayre opens 2:30-3:15pm.
- Years One, Two and Three Thursday 4th December collect from classroom doors 2:20pm, Fayre opens 2:30-3:15pm.

If you cannot attend the Fayre, usual collection arrangements and OOSC will remain in place.

Attendance

Very well done to **Year One**, with two weeks in a row of the **highest attendance** in school! **Attendance** has been lower than we'd like this week due to some bugs and high temperatures. We ask for your continued support in ensuring your child attends school whenever possible.



Reception - 83.33% Year One - 93.08% Year Two - 85.71% Year Three - 68.57% Year Four - 89.67% Year Five - 85.71% Year Six - 86.67%

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On the Menu Next Week . . .

Week One	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Course	Cowboy Lunch/Vegetarian Cowboy Lunch	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Chicken/Quorn Curry	Turkey/Veggie Roast and Yorkshire Pudding	Oven Baked Sausage/Veggie Sausage
	Fish Fingers	Salmon Bites	Cheesy Pasta*	Tomato & Basil Pasta Bake	Fish Portion
	Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)	Jacket Potato (Choice of Fillings)	Sandwich (Choice of Fillings)
Potatoes/Pasta/ Rice	Oven Baked Hash Brown	Spaghetti Garlic Bread Smiley Faces	Longrain Rice Naan Bread	Roast Potatoes Crusty Bread	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	Fruit Mousse Slice	Chocolate Sponge with Custard	Fruit Jelly	Biscoff Tray Bake	School Pudding of the Day (With a choice of Fruit)