Beaconhill Community Primary School

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Newsletter - Friday 15th March 2024

Happy Friday

Hello everyone - I hope you've enjoyed your week. We have had a great week in school with a range of exciting events taking place. Mrs Bradshaw and Mrs Deakin braved the weather with our Year Five children to deliver a hastily rearranged art lesson. Instead of using the beach, they used our local environment to gather natural resources to recreate the famous artwork of Romero Britto. Year Four continue to amaze everyone with their fantastic progress on TTRS. On their weekly soundcheck, they recorded an average score of 21/25 which compares very well with the first week of Year Four when they scored 7/25. Year Three enjoyed a visit to Pharmaron yesterday and came home with gigantic bags of sweets to top off a really interesting science session (see below). It's always brilliant to see the range of activities that our children are enjoying in school. Read on to see what else we've been up to! Mr Routledge

Year Three Pharmaron Visit

Yesterday, our **Year Three children** visited **Pharmaron** on the Windmill Industrial Estate. The visit was part of **STEM** week (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). The children enjoyed **observing** some exciting experiments carried out by the scientists at Pharmaron and then they carried out experiments of their own. The trip generated lots of **curiosity** and **questions**. Look out for photographs from the visit on **Facebook**.

Newcastle United

On Monday, we welcomed Paul from the Newcastle United Foundation into school. Paul delivered PE sessions to our Year 4 and Year 6 classes. The sessions involved some physical activities including a range of relay races with different equipment. However, a lot of the focus was on the wider skills required to be successful in sport. There was a strong emphasis on team building skills, problem solving and communication. I look forward to seeing what the children get up to in the subsequent sessions!



Breakfast Club

This week in **breakfast club**, children enjoyed **pancakes** and **syrup** as well as **strawberries**, **pineapple** and **blueberries**. Places in our **Breakfast Club** can be booked via the **SchoolMoney** system. Throughout the week we also have a range of **cereal** and **toast**. Every **Friday** we have a **treat breakfast** on offer. Coming up before **Easter**, we will have **hot cross buns** on offer. We have just bought a smoothie maker and are looking forward to offering this to our children on a regular basis. After half-term, we will also introduce new games on the Switch to complement **Mario Kart Mondays**!



TTRS

Our KS2 Battle Of The Bands is now live! Children in Years 3-6 have the chance to win the ultimate prize: a sausage or bacon sandwich for the whole class (and their teachers!). The highest scoring players from each class will also receive a certificate for their hard work and effort. The class who have the most correct answers on TTRS by Thursday night will be the winners. Good luck everyone!

Cramlington Learning Village Induction Evening

Advanced notice that the Year Six to Year Seven Induction Evening for parents/carers of children starting at the

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Learning Village in **September** will take place on **Thursday 6th June**. Further details will be shared closer to the time but just wanted to share in good time for you to add to your diaries.

School Meals

A polite reminder that school meals must be paid for in advance as we do not offer any debt on your account. You can pay up until midnight the night before the meal is ordered. Meal options are shared on the weekly newsletter every Friday so you will know what is on the menu for the week ahead. If your child regularly orders a school meal, you may choose to put a larger sum of money on the account to save you having to pay for one meal at a time.

Easter Raffle

Thank you all very much for all of the marvellous donations which came in for our Easter Hampers. Tickets for the hampers will go on sale next week and we will then draw the winning tickets before the Easter Holiday. As with all our fundraising initiatives, we are very grateful for your support. As you'll know, we've invested a lot of money on our Early Years yard and this will go towards the new areas that will be built over the coming weeks. I suspect that this Newcastle United themed egg might be a popular prize!



Easter Egg Competition

We are excited to be holding our **popular egg decorating competition** again this year. Children are invited to **decorate an egg** and bring it into school from **Monday 25th March**. Entries will be presented in the hall for judging on the morning of **Wednesday 27th March**. Children will be able to view the entries with their class during the **morning session** on Wednesday and there will be lots of **photographs** on **Facebook**. There will be **Easter Egg prizes** up for grabs for the best designs!



- Monday 25th March: Entries can start coming into school.
- Wednesday 27th March: All eggs must be in school by 9am for entry into the competition

A polite reminder that eggs should be hard boiled or polystyrene just in case of breakages!

Attendance

We've had a few **bugs** going around this week which have hampered our **recent high attendance**. Please encourage your child to practise **good hand hygiene** to limit the spread of **sickness bugs**. This is a short half-term (24 school days!) so we're hoping to have as many pupils as possible record **100% attendance**. Well days to **Year Three** for recording the best attendance this week with **97 06%** over



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Reception - 94.67% **Year One** - 94.23% **Year Two** - 94.44%

Year Three - 97.06% Year Four - 94.33% Year Five - 91.11% Year Six - 91.94%

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On the Menu next week . . .

Beaconhill Primary School Winter 2023/2024 Menu







Week One A Homemade Dish

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Course Choices	Spaghetti Bolognese Fish Cakes Sandwiches with a Choice of Fillings	Oven Baked Sausages with Mashed Potatoes Tuna Melt Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Curry/Quorn of the Day Salmon Bites Sandwiches with a Choice of Fillings	Roast/Veggie Roast of the Day and Yorkshire Pudding Fish Goujons Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings	Breaded Fish Portion Vegan/Sausage Pizza Tray Bake Sandwiches with a Choice of Fillings
Potatoes Pasta/Rice	Garlic Bread Oven Baked Mini Waffles	Creamed Potatoes	Wholegrain Rice Naan Bread Smilies	Roast Potatoes	Chips Pasta
Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables
Salad Bowl	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad	Seasonal Salad
Starters or Sweets	Lemon Brownie	Chocolate and Orange Sponge with Custard	Iced Sponge and Custard	Fruit Mouse Slice	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.