

Bilton Grange Primary School WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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This week's STAR LEARNERS

<u>Here are our Top Table awards for this week</u>: Toby, Micah, Junior, Charlie, Lilah-Grace, Belle, Maja, Margot, Archie, Sophia, Jessica, Oliver, James, Lola, Georgia, Phoebe, Aahil, Sophia, Peyton, Ella, Isla, Eloisa, Layla, India & Aiva

<u>Here are last week's Special Mentions</u>: Bessie, Eponine, Sophia, Phoebe, Finley, Poppi, Sara, Harper, Jacob, Kiki, Riley T, Emily, Isla, Norah, Grace, Honey

We had a special assembly this afternoon lead by Leeds Rhinos, so were unable to give out our usual special mentions. These will be saved for next week's assembly.

Message from Mrs James

It has been another busy couple of weeks in school. Yesterday we had our NSPCC workshops and assemblies. Children were reminded to speak out to stay safe, who their trusted adults are and they learnt the NSPCC Childline number, 08001111. Today we have welcomed back Leeds Rhinos who have spent the afternoon working year 5 and 6 children and then leading our celebration assembly.

Next week sees the launch of our Facebook Stories, where you will find familiar faces from around school reading stories on our Facebook page. There will be a new story posted on the first Thursday of every month. These will provide an opportunity for our children to listen to a range of stories throughout the year.

A quick reminder to sign up for a parent evening appointment if you haven't already done so. These are an important opportunity to talk to your child's class teacher about their education.

Thank you for your continued support of your child's attendance and punctuality at school. As always if you need any support from school with these please contact me.

Have a lovely weekend! Mrs James Bilton Grange PTA News! Upcoming Events!!

PTA Meeting 9am Friday 2nd February Staff room All welcome!

Quiz Night

Friday 2nd February Tickets on sale from the school office

Easter Discos

13th and 14th March School Hall More details to follow soon

All funds raised this year will go towards upgrade of play areas in KS1 and KS2 playgrounds





- 30th January EYFS/KS1 Story Night
- 30th & 31st January
 Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
 Trip
- Friday 2nd February
 Walk to School Day
 NSPCC Number Day
- Friday 2nd February PTA Quiz Night
- 5th 9th February Children's Mental Health Week
- Tuesday 6th February Internet Safety Day Parents Evening
- Wednesday 7th February Parents Evening
- 12th 16th February
 Half Term

This Term's Clubs

Sports Clubs	
Monday – KS2 Girls Sports	
Tuesday – KS2 Dance Club	
Wednesday – KS1 Multiskills	
- Dodgeball Competition	
Thursday – UKS2 Tennis	
-LKS2 Tennis	
Friday -LKS2 Gymnastic Club	
-UKS2 Gymnastic Club	
Year 5/6 Mindfulness Club Wednesday and Thursday lunch-times	
Year 5/6 Book Clubs – Wednesday and Thursday lunch-times	
Year 3/4 Book Clubs – Wednesday lunch-times	
<u>Schools Out -</u> Mondays	

SCHOOL OFFICE UPDATES

Please remember to pre order your child's school lunches via your SchoolGrid account. Lunches cannot be ordered in school

Friday 2nd February

Don't forget to buy your PTA quiz night tickets from the school office. £2 each.

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Miller & Mrs Hornby

Dates for your Diary!

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Date	Event
Tuesday 30 th January	EYFS/KS1 Story Night
Tuesday 30 th & Wednesday 31 st January	Year 4 Nell Bank Residential
Thursday 1 st February	Facebook Stories launch
Friday 2 nd February	NSPCC Number Day
	PTA Quiz Night
Monday 5 th -Friday 9 th February	Children's Mental Health Awareness Week
Tuesday 6 th February	Safer Internet Day
	Parents Evening
Wednesday 7 th February	Parents Evening
Monday 12 th – Friday 16 th February	Half Term Holiday
Friday 23 rd February	Athlete Day
Friday 23 rd February	Year 5 Space Camp
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 13 th and Thursday 14 th March	PTA Easter Discos
Tuesday 19 th March	Year 2 Yorkshire Museum Trip
Wednesday 20 th March	Year 1 Yorkshire Museum Trip
Thursday 21 st March	EYFS & KS1 Easter Craft Parade
Friday 22 nd March	Finish for Easter Holidays at 2pm





Whilst we make every effort for school to remain open in bad weather, there are times when we need to close. Over the years, school closures due to severe weather or a loss of utilities have proven to be rare at Bilton Grange and we certainly want to keep it that way!

We understand that the majority of our children live within walking distance of school, however many of our staff live further afield and have difficulty getting into work during heavy snow. This often makes it impossible for us to maintain appropriate supervision ratios to ensure our children are safe in school.

In the event of severe weather such as snow, there are a number of factors to consider when making the decision to close. This includes: is the school site safe enough for children, parents and staff to enter and use throughout the day? Does the school have a safe ratio of adults to pupils? Are there enough qualified teachers to teach pupils? The decision to close the school is always a challenging one and is based on the safety of all of our school community at its heart.

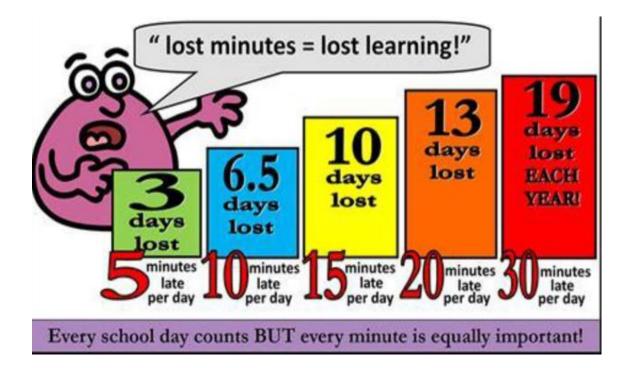
Our procedures are as follows and are also in place in the event of a loss of utilities:

- 1. Inform parents via text and email at the earliest opportunity. We will let you know as soon as possible if the school needs to close. Please make sure the school office has up-to-date contact details.
- 2. Inform parents via local radio: Greatest Hits Radio Harrogate (formerly Stray FM). Listen on air or check their website. Search "Greatest Hits Radio Harrogate".
- 3. Inform the Local Authority- North Yorkshire County Council. Check their dedicated website for school closures. If you have any further questions regarding our procedures, please contact the school office.
- 4. Please do not telephone the school but use the above- we try to keep these lines open so staff can let us know of their situation.



Attendance at Bilton Grange

Why is it important to be on time for school each day?



Tips for parents - Are you having trouble getting your child to school?

If so, a set routine can help: Have a set time to go to bed Have a set time to get out of bed Have uniform and school bag ready the night before Have a set time for starting and finishing breakfast Set a time for daily homework activities Speak about school positively Be firm, send your child to school every school day including their birthday and the last day of term!

Thank you for your support in helping your child get to school on time each day!