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| **Message from The Headteacher** |
| Dear Parents/Guardians  I would like start by thanking the PTA for once again organising this year’s Christmas Fayre which is being held in school on Sunday afternoon from 1pm. The Christmas Fayre is always really well attended and provides the perfect start to the rest of the festive season. I’m looking forward to seeing you there and as well as enjoying the festive fun, spending lots of pennies!  I would also like to say a big thank you to Claire Macina and Rob Ormrod. Claire works relentlessly on behalf of the school and the PTA to help us to continue improving the school. Claire and Rob made contact earlier in the year and Rob, being an experienced gardener, has given his time over the past few Saturdays to come into school and help us tidy up and reclaim the garden area at the front of the school.  Rob has done a fabulous job with this garden and it should be ready for the pupils to use at the beginning of the spring term. This area will not only allow the pupils to get some ‘hands on’ experience of managing a garden but will also help the school to enhance ‘real’ learning and grow vegetables that can then sold or used in the school kitchen. A fabulous job, many thanks to Claire and Rob and everyone else that has been involved.  It was lovely to see so many parents coming into school on Tuesday morning to take part in the EYFS stay and play. This is an event that the children thoroughly enjoy as well as giving the parents and guardians an opportunity to share the wonderful learning that the reception children experience. I would like to thank all the parents and guardians who were able to attend and the pupils and staff who help to organise the stay and play.  On Thursday night the school held a PSCO talk for parents about online safety. This is an incredibly important issue that can, unfortunately, affect all children. The news is full of devastating stories regarding children who have suffered as a result of breaches of online safety - this includes things such as cyber bullying and grooming. I would like to thank Mrs Robinson and Mrs Wilcock along with the PSCO for organising this event. Watch this space for details of another session in the New Year.  I would also like to remind parents and guardians that if ever they need any help, support and/or advice regarding any aspect of online safety or child protection then the school has a number of highly trained staff who would be able to both listen and help, please feel free to drop in or contact the school at any time. For more information on keeping your children safe online log on to www.thinkuknow.co.uk  Kind regards  Mr Hartford |

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| **Attendance for this week** | | **Children with 100% attendance this half term** | | | | | | |
|  |  |  | Wk 1 | Wk 2 | Wk 3 | Wk 4 | Wk  5 | Wk  6 |
| Reception |  | Reception | 93% | 98% | 95% | 99% |  |  |
| Year 1 |  | Year 1 | 94% | 87% | 88% | 89% |  |  |
| Year 2 |  | Year 2 | 96% | 96% | 98% | 98% |  |  |
| Year 3 |  | Year 3 | 96% | 98% | 96% | 99% |  |  |
| Year 4 |  | Year 4 | 70% | 95% | 98% | 97% |  |  |
| Year 5 |  | Year 5 | 97% | 87% | 98% | 96% |  |  |
| Year 6 |  | Year 6 | 99% | 86% | 97% | 84% |  |  |
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| **Children who were late for school: 8** | | **Well done to all of you who have achieved this!** | | | | | | |



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| **Learning Heroes** | | | |
| **Congratulations to our learning heroes for this week** | | | |
| Class | Learning hero | Reason | |
| Reception | Nancy Crannigan | For being an independent learner and trying things first before asking for help | |
| Year 1 | Walter Scott | For persevering with his work even when he finds it difficult | |
| Year 2 | Leila Weller | She’s putting so much effort into her learning | |
| Year 3 | Amelie Haslam | For working hard to improve all her learning skills | |
| Year 4 | Leo Snedden | He is showing good effort and progress in maths and he is a very kind boy. | |
| Year 5 | Simran Kaur | Always cheerful and always puts effort in. She is nice to everybody. | |
| Year 6 | Kiran Degregorio | His mature curiosity to his learning helps him learn more and progress well | |
| **Caretaker Award Winners**  **For having the cleanest classroom** | | | Key Stage 1 – Year 2  Key Stage 2 – Year 3 |
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**Absences**

Can you please ensure you ring or email school to inform us if your child is absent. If no phone call or email is given, we will contact you during the week regarding your child’s absence. It is essential that school is informed of their time off.

**Sickness**

If your child is ill (has been sick or had diarrhoea) please ensure they remain off school for 48hrs until it is suitable for them to return.



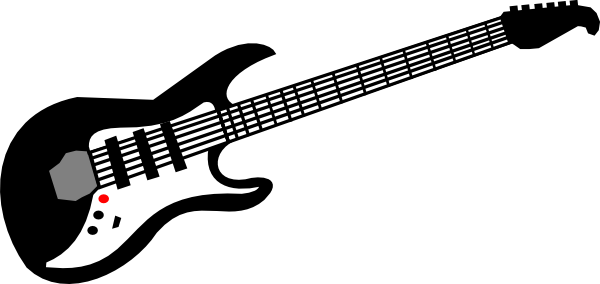
**Nativity**

We are desperately searching for a Roman soldier helmet for our Nativity. If anybody has one we could borrow, could you please get in contact with Miss Kelly.

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**Christmas pudding**

Christmas pudding will be served to the whole school on 13th of December 2017. If you want your child to have a vegetarian option then please inform the office and they will inform the kitchen.



**Learn to rock**

**LEARN TO ROCK LESSONS AVAILABLE STARTING JANUARY 2018:  Afternoon Lessons in School Time/ Or After School**  
  
We have lesson places available for the following instruments  
  
**For Children in Reception**  
  
Piano, Keyboard, Singing and Drumkit  
  
**For Children in Years 1 to 6**  
  
Piano, Keyboard, Singing, Drumkit, Electric, Bass and Classical Guitar, Ukulele  
  
**We also operate an evening service at Burley Oaks Primary School on Tuesday evenings  *Available to any student aged 4 to 18 from any school in the area:  Venue: Burley Oaks Primary School***Piano, Keyboard, Singing, Drumkit, Electric, Bass and Classical Guitar, Ukulele, Music Theory Tuition, Rock Band Coaching  
  
**CLOSING DATE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS IS FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 2017**  
  
Please contact us at Learn to Rock for more details and an application form:  
  
Tel:  01944 768724  
Email:  [admin@learntorock.co.uk](mailto:admin@learntorock.co.uk)

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| **Dates for your Diary** |
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| **November**  Sunday 26th – PTA Christmas Fayre  Monday 27th – Bradford Aquatics doing water safety presentation 11.15 – 12.00  Tuesday 28th – Yr 6 Colour Museum trip |
| **December**  Monday 4th – What’s a story at St Johns from 9-12  Tuesday 5th – PTA school disco (KS1 5pm - 6pm KS2 6.15pm – 7.15pm)  Tuesday 5th – KS1 Nativity dress rehearsal 9.15am  Wednesday 6th – KS1 nativity to Parents – 5.30pm  Thursday 7th – Stay and Play – Reception Class - 9am – 10.15am  Friday 8th –Year 5/6 assembly  Friday 8th –KS1 nativity to Parents- 9.15am  **January**  Friday 12th – Stay and Play – Reception Class - 9am – 10.15am  Monday 22nd – Stay and Play – Reception Class - 9am – 10.15am  **February**  Wednesday 7th – Stay and Play – Reception Class - 9am – 10.15am  Tuesday 27th – Stay and Play – Reception Class - 9am – 10.15am |
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Cross Country

Ben Rhydding Cross Country Saturday 11th November 2017

Congratulations to the 67 Ben Rhydding children who ran in the third Wharfedale cross country event organised by Ben Rhydding. It was a super event well supported by the other schools and the community.

Congratulations to the following children who achieved an incredible top 5 position.

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| Race | Name | Position |
| Reception Girls | Harriet Carter  Nancy Crannigan | 3rd  4th |
| Year 1 Boys | Sebastian Quaife | 2nd |
| Year 2 Girls | Iris Smith | 3rd |
| Year 3 Girls | Emily Wood | 3rd |
| Year 3 Boys | Ted Atkinson  Alex Rawse | 1st  5th |
| Year 4 Girls | Imogen Oliver | 3rd |
| Year 5 Boys | Alexander Wolfenden | 1st |

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| Team | Position | Team members |
| Reception Girls | 3rd Team | Harriet Carter, Nancy Crannigan, Olive McCallion  Isla Moffat, Ruby Nash. |
| Year 1 Girls | 3rd Team | Olivia Pell, Charlotte de la Poer, Anna Clegg,  Annie Chapman, Sophie Nunns, Sophie Clegg. |
| Year 2 Boys | 3rd Team | James Hammond, Robert Carter, Ben Winterbottom,  Rupert Home, Charlie Eccles, Tom Moffat. |
| Year 3 Girls | 2nd Team | Kitty Picken, Emily Wood, Julia Iglesias, Holly Chapman,  Isabelle de la Poer. |
| Year 3 Boys | 3rd  Team | Ted Atkinson, Alex Rawse, Marvin Foulger,  Joshua Nunns, Joshua Kealey, Samuel Hess. |
| Year 4 Girls | 3rd Team | Imogen Oliver, Edith Eccles, Lydia Green, Freya Hein. |
| Year 5 Boys | 3rd Team | Alexander Wolfenden, George Docherty, Callum Sawyer,  James Cumberland, Woody Muirhead. |

Mr Fletcher would like to thank parents, staff and volunteers for contributing to another successful cross country event for the school and community. We were particularly lucky with the weather and it was so good to see so many children and adults enjoying themselves. The next event is after Christmas; see the Harriers website for details.

RUNNING CLUB WILL FINISH FOR THE CHRISTMAS BREAK ON TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER AND RESUME ON TUESDAY 9TH JANUARY.

Thank you and well done again.

Helen Jacques

