

NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 19TH OCTOBER 2023



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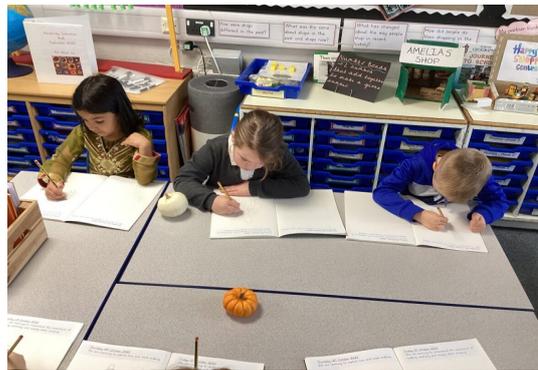
PERSEVERE

ACHIEVE

HARVEST DAY

Last week, on Friday, we enjoyed our Harvest Day. It was so wonderful to see so many parents and carers in school to take part in lots of fun harvest related craft activities.





MENTAL HEALTH

At Swain House Primary School, we are passionate about improving children and adult's mental health. Please click the links below for some top tips for supporting children and adult mental health.

[Top Tips for Children's Mental Health](#)

[Top Tips for Adult's Mental Health](#)

FOOTBALL CLUB

We have been practicing our football skills really hard at football club this half term. Last night we put this all into practice with a long match. We showed great team spirit, determination and sportsmanship throughout - well done!



SCHOOL DINNERS

Please see the information here for how to access the school dinner menus from home.



Getting information on our school meals is easier than ever, with the new **School Meals App**

YOU CAN NOW



Scroll through menu options for the day



VEGETARIAN

Filter menu options by meal type or allergen



See nutritional information on all menu items



Get allergen information on all our products



See the Food Hygiene Rating within School



Save your child's school for easy access



TO DOWNLOAD

- 1 Go online on your mobile, tablet or computer
- 2 Go to: www.bradford.gov.uk/schoolmeals
- 3 Click on: "Our school meals app" and follow the instructions



Facilities Management
Catering Services

SHARING YOUR NEWS!

This week, we would like to say a huge well done to Neo and Cooper from Anne Fine Class. Neo and Cooper from Anne Fine class are doing amazingly well at rugby - they both received a 'Top Tackler' certificate after their match last weekend



We would also like to say a huge well done to Riccardo in Anne Fine class. Riccardo is really happy with his certificate from his martial arts class. He has moved up to the next colour belt! Riccardo enjoyed demonstrating some of the moves he has learnt to the class.

If you have any news about your child's achievements that you would like to share in our newsletter, please speak to your child's class teacher!

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FACEBOOK PAGE!**



WEEKLY UPDATES

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Here are this week's attendance and punctuality figures. There is a proven link between attendance and achievement and it is therefore very important that your child attends school and is on time unless they are too unwell to do so. Our doors open at **8.30am** and close at **8.40am**.

Please see the information below for our whole school and class attendance for the week ending **20/10/23**.

Early Years and Key Stage 1:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Elm	97.3%	0
Willow	96.7%	1
Kandinsky	85.6%	0
Matisse	89.3%	1
Lowry	90.0%	0
Van Gogh	97.1%	1

Key Stage 2:

CLASS	PERCENTAGE %	LATES
Anne Fine	89.7%	2
Roald Dahl	89.8%	3
JK Rowling	89.5%	0
J Wilson	93.1%	1
Elgar	92.9%	0
Mozart	94.1%	1
Beethoven	94.1%	0
Vivaldi	89.7%	0

Congratulations to **Elm Class, Willow Class and Van Gogh Class** for having the **best attendance** this week.

Well done to **Elm Class, Kandinsky Class, Lowry Class, JK Rowling Class, Elgar Class, Beethoven Class and Vivaldi Class** for having **no lates** this week!

Our whole school attendance this week:

91.3%

COMMUNICATION SINCE THE LAST NEWSLETTER

These are the letters, messages and website updates that have been sent out this week. If you have not received any of these letters, please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the office on **01274 639049**.

WEBSITE UPDATES:	National Online Safety - EA Sports FC
LETTERS:	18.10.23 - Parent Code of Conduct 19.10.23 - Year 1 Phonics Meeting 19.10.2023 - School Photographs 19.10.2023 - Remembrance Day
MESSAGES VIA	

MENU 30/10/23

		WEEK 1				
		MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI
MAINS		Mild Chicken Curry Halal Chicken Doplaza Aloo Chana	Roast of the Day Halal Chicken Roll Cheese & Broccoli Quiche	Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Fish Fingers Southern Fried Quorn Burger	
		Mascarpone Pasta Spaghetti Marinara Vegetable Pasty				
SIDES		Crusty Bread Spaghetti Hoops Seasonal Vegetables Assorted Individual Salads	Rice Naan Bread Assorted Individual Salads	Dry Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Seasonal Vegetables Assorted Individual Salads	Chips Baked Beans Assorted Individual Salads	Dry Roast Jacket Potatoes Wedges Sweetcorn Assorted Individual Salads
		Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches
OTHER OPTIONS		Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Sandwiches	Assorted Jacket Potatoes Assorted Panini Assorted Sandwiches
		Decorated Sponge Cake Freshly Prepared Fruit	Butterfly Buns Freshly Prepared Fruit	Marble Sponge Freshly Prepared Fruit	Flapjack Freshly Prepared Fruit	Chocolate Sponge Freshly Prepared Fruit
DESSERTS						



Swain House Primary School

30th Oct, 20th Nov,
11th Dec, 1st Jan,
22nd Jan, 4th Mar

MENU



REMINDERS

BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club opens at 7.30am at a cost of £2.50 each per day or at 7.45am at the cost of £2.00 each per day. Children from Nursery to Year 6 can attend.

If you would like to book your child into Breakfast Club, please use ParentPay.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Our After School Club is available until 4pm at a cost of £2.00 each per day.

If you would like to book your child into After School Club, please use ParentPay.

EXTRA CLUB

We also offer an Extra Club service that runs until 5.30pm at a cost of £4.00 per day.

If you would like to book your child into Extra Club, please use ParentPay.

Please can you ensure that Extra Club places are booked and paid for in advance - by Monday morning. This ensures registers are accurate and places are booked and guaranteed.

If you have any problems booking any of our before or after school clubs, please contact Miss Armitage, one of our learning mentors.

ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	02/11/23	2.30pm	Y6 Vivaldi Assembly
Thursday	09/11/23	2.30pm	Y4 Diwali Assembly
Thursday	16/11/23	2.30pm	Y5 Ingleborough Assembly
Thursday	23/11/23	2.30pm	Y6 Beethoven Assembly
Thursday	07/12/23	2.30pm	Y4 Hanukkah Assembly

DIARY DATES

ANY NEWLY ADDED ITEMS WILL BE IN BLUE

DAY	DATE	TIME	EVENT
Thursday	19.10.2023		School closes for half term
Monday	30.10.2023		School reopens
Thursday	02.11.2023	During school hours	Year 6 Gurdwara Visit
Wednesday - Friday	08.11.2024—10.11.2024	N/A	Year 5 Ingleborough Hall Residential
Friday	10.11.2023		Remembrance Day
Thursday	23.11.2023	During school hours	Year 5 Mosque Visit
Friday	24.11.2023	8.30 - 10.00am	Coffee Morning
Friday	01.12.2023	4.00 - 5.30pm	Christmas Fair
Thursday	07.12.2023	All Day	Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday	07.12.2023		Christmas Dinner Day
Friday	08.12.2023	10.00am	LKS2 Carol Concert
Friday	08.12.2023	2.00pm	UKS2 Carol Concert
Monday	11.12.2023	9.00am	Xmas Raffle
Monday	11.12.2023		Y1 - Y6 Christmas Parties
Tuesday	12.12.2023	10.00am & 2.00pm	EYS Nativity for parents
Wednesday	13.12.2023		EYS and Rec Xmas Party
Thursday	14.12.2023	5.00 - 7.30pm	Glitz n Glam Disco
Thursday	14.12.2023	10.00am & 2.00pm	KS1 Nativity for Parents
Friday	15.12.2023		Swain House has Got Talent
Friday	15.12.2023	All Day	Non Uniform Day
Friday	15.12.2023		School Closes for Half Term
Wednesday	03.01.2024		School Reopens

COMING UP NEXT HALF TERM

Here is a sneak peak at some of the exciting events that will be taking place next half term!

YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL

On Wednesday 8th November, children in Year 5 will go on their residential to Ingleborough Hall until Friday 10th November.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Once again, that time of year is nearly here! Here is a little look at some of the events that will be taking place over the Christmas period.

A full list of Christmas event dates will follow at the start of next half term.

This year we will be having two Christmas productions! Great Oak Nursery and Reception will be performing their Early Years Nativity. KS1 will also be performing their own nativity next half term. Tickets and dates will be available from next half term and we are so excited to see as many of you there as possible!



Don't worry, children in Key Stage 2 won't be missing out on the Christmas cheer! Children in Year 3 to Year 6 will be invited to join our Christmas Choir in preparation for our Christmas Carol Concert. Make sure you come along and enjoy some Christmas carols and a mince pie!

Save the Date! The Friends of Swain House are very excited to invite you to an afternoon of Christmas shopping, Santa's grottos and festive refreshments at our very first, annual Christmas Fair.



COMMUNITY NEWS



OCTOBER HALF TERM

FREE SPECIAL EVENT

DATE: 23–27 October 2023

LOCATION: The Broadway, Oastler and Kirkgate shopping centres

Learn, create and play together this October half term.

We're back on the road this October, bringing our free live shows and family activities to shopping centres across Bradford.

Our activities are part of the [Family Learning Festival](#), with events happening across Bradford District.

WHAT'S ON

SECRETS OF SPACE

When: 23, 24 and 25 October, 11.00–16.00, drop in

Where: The Broadway shopping centre

How do people visit the moon? What are planets made of? Learn the secrets of space with the National Science and Media Museum and Future Transformation this half term.

HOCUS POCUS

When: 26 October, shows at 11.00, 12.00, 13.00 and 14.00

Activities 11.00–15.00, drop in

Where: Oastler shopping centre

Join us for 30-minute Halloween science shows and spooky family activities.

MONSTER MAKE-UP AND SPOOKY SLIME

When: 27 October, 11.00–12.30 and 13.30–15.30, drop in

Where: Kirkgate shopping centre

Have a go at special effects make-up in our workshop and try your hand at finding our spooky toys in oozing ooobleck.



Venue
Wycliffe Primary School
Saltaire Rd
Shipley
BD18 3HZ

Multi-activity Holiday Club

Kanga Sports

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October 2023
8.30am - 3.30pm

Multi-activity holiday clubs perfect for primary school aged children of all abilities who would like to try a bit of everything. Activities include sports, archery, den building, nature walks, Halloween fancy dress, nerf games, and much more.



Book early and save!

Bookings before 15th October £20.00 per day
Bookings from 16th October £22.50 per day

Book here



bit.ly/kangaholidays

[Kangasportsuk](#)

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PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) DURING THE OCTOBER HALF TERM 2023

moneysavingcentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free



MORRISONS

Spend £4.49 and get one free kids meal all day, every day.

M&S CAFES

Spend £5 & get one free kid's meal Mon - Fri during the Oct Half term (various dates)

SAINSBURYS CAFES

Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

ASDA

Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

THE REAL GREEK

Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

TRAVELODGE & PREMIER INN

Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

SIZZLING PUBS

Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

TGI FRIDAYS

Kids Eat Free When 'Stripes Rewards Members' purchase any adult meal (Via App)

PRETO

Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

YO! SUSHI

From Monday 16th October - Friday 27th 2023 kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS

Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

BILLS

2 kids eat FREE Monday - Friday from Monday 23rd October - Friday 3rd November 2023

BELLA ITALIA

Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

WHITBREAD INNS

Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

TABLE TABLE

Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM

Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

IKEA

Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

HUNGRY HORSE

Kids eat for £1 on Mondays

FUTURE INNS

Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal.

NATIONAL ONLINE SAFETY

This week, our 'Wake Up Wednesday' guide from National Online Safety is about EA Sports FC

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about EA SPORTS FC 24

After two decades of holding the official FIFA licence, EA Sports' phenomenally successful football video game series has embarked on a solo run at goal. This season's iteration marks the debut appearance of a new name and branding, but don't let those fool you – EA Sports FC 24 is still a very similar proposition to last year's FIFA 23. Popular features such as Ultimate Team remain a big focus, meaning that potentially costly in-game spending is still among the line-up of risks that parents and carers should be aware of.

AGE RESTRICTION
PEGI 3

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

RECURRING RELEASES
EA Sports FC 24 effectively picks up the FIFA template – meaning that after a year, we can expect EA Sports FC 25 to hit the shelves. Updates between versions of the FIFA franchise tended to be minor, but young fans of the game are almost certain to want the new edition in around 12 months' time, so they can keep playing with updated team kits, players and squad lists.

OFFENSIVE VOICE CHAT
FIFA 23 introduced cross-platform play, and EA Sports FC 24 goes a step further with Clubs, Seasons and Ultimate Team cooperative modes across PlayStation 5, Xbox Series X and S, and PC. That's exciting news for youngsters who love to play with friends online – but connecting a much wider audience does potentially open lines of communication between children and far older online gamers.

IN-GAME PURCHASES
In FIFA, Ultimate Team proved to be a profitable innovation for developers Electronic Arts (EA), and is now found in many of their other titles. Players spend in-game currency to recruit better footballers for their team, but this process can take a frustratingly long time – so young fans may be tempted to skip the grind by paying real-world cash to unlock that coveted star midfielder.

ULTIMATE TEAM SCAMMERS
Since the mode was introduced, Ultimate Team has been a target of scammers who attempt to coax players into buying or selling outside the terms of service from EA and console manufacturers. This shady practice can lead to accounts being banned and in-game items being lost. In some cases, young gamers have also been hoodwinked into handing over their payment details to the fraudsters.

POTENTIAL FOR ADDICTION
Just like real-life football, EA Sports FC 24 offers a thrilling, dynamic blend of tactical awareness and skill that fans find absolutely engrossing. Among younger players in particular, this could lead to identifiers of a gaming disorder as they plead for 'just one more game' before bedtime or spend practically all weekend playing more matches to earn additional Ultimate Team packs.

Advice for Parents & Carers

CONTROL SPENDING
If your child enjoys Ultimate Team mode, check that your payment details aren't linked to their account. Bundles of FC Points (the game's currency) start at just £1, so multiple payments can easily slip under the radar. You could consider setting your child an in-game allowance, perhaps through a prepaid card, which will help them to realise that online spending has a real-world effect.

DEFEND AGAINST SCAMMERS
EA does contact players via email (although not to ask for usernames or passwords, so watch out for that scam tactic), but never through the game itself – so be wary of incoming messages and consider blocking and reporting suspected spam. Your child should avoid buying coins (the in-game currency) from external sites: it could end with them losing their money and being banned from the game.

AVOID EXTRA TIME
Many parents of young football-oriented gamers worry about their child playing too much EA Sports FC. There's now also a companion mobile app, which can also often provide another indicator that a child is struggling to disengage from the game. You could initiate discussions around set hours of play – or take stronger action by utilising the parental controls on their console or phone.

SHOW TOXIC CHAT THE RED CARD
Playing EA Sports FC 24 with friends is highly enjoyable, but if competitive types start to turn toxic online, it can ruin everyone's fun. You could occasionally listen in on the voice chat of your child's game for any warning signs that things may be about to boil over. This goes double when playing online with strangers: voice contact with unknown players can be turned off in the game's settings.

CELEBRATE THE VARIETY
Ultimate Team may be the game's 'star player', but there's plenty more to do in EA Sports FC 24 – including modes which allow access to all of football's big names without needing to spend money on packs to unlock them. This new version of the game includes even more women's teams, marking another step forward in representation: an important subject to discuss and celebrate with children.

Meet Our Expert
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