



Benton Dene School Newsletter



11th June 2021

Benton Dene School has a new phone number 0191 466 1818



'Welcome back'

What an absolute delight it was to be in the car park on Monday morning and see so many smiling faces as taxis and buses were emptied: everyone skipped, hopped or ran into school. What a difference a little bit of sunshine and a few days holiday make!

I trust you all enjoyed your break – and might have even shared a little skip, hop and a jump as you closed the taxi door on Monday morning.

Welcome back also to Helen Richardson, who after a spell at Talbot House in Newcastle, has returned as our new deputy Headteacher: she's already enjoyed seeing a few familiar faces as well as making new friends. Hopefully, as we move forwards and lockdown eases you will have the opportunity to meet her.

Enjoy the weekend and stay safe.

Alison McAllister



A BIG **'Thank You'** to Flynn's mum who managed to get in contact with a company called PPG who will be donating some paint to school for us to design and paint our buddy chair. **Thank You PPG**



As the weather is getting warmer we would appreciate it if you can apply suncream to your child before they come to school each morning and supply a small bottle of sun-cream with your child's name and class on so we can top them up during the day.

Your child will also need a sunhat with their name in please.

Thanks for your support

School Uniform We have lots of 'pre loved' uniform in school. If you need any to tide you over until the end of term or would like some in a larger size for September, please get in touch on seesaw or phone the school office and ask for Chrissy
0191 466 1818

Staff training day 25th June 2021

Proposed Leavers' Assembly: Friday 16th July 2021

Last day of school will be Friday 16th July 2021

Children return to school Thursday 2nd September 2021

Home School Link Team

As you may know we have two home school link workers. Tina Steele who looks after **Yellow** and **Green** zone and Yvonne Manton who looks after **Red** and **Blue** zone.

Yvonne and Tina are here to ensure all children are happy, secure and enjoy school whilst you as their parents and carers feel supported and fully included. You can contact them on their direct number.

If you need to contact Tina
Her number is **0191 466 1821**



If you need to contact Yvonne
Her number is **0191 466 1820**



P.E. at Benton Dene School

Don't forget to upload your pictures to seesaw or tapestry.

Dodgeball: Fill balloons with water and play a game of dodgeball. Last person or team left standing wins.

Chase If you only have one water pistol, play a game of chase to decide who has it. Whoever gets hit by the water first becomes 'it' and takes hold of the pistol.

Catch One player throws water balloons into the air, while another tries to catch them in a colander held over their head. The winner is whoever catches the most balloons



WANTED PLEASE

If you are having a clear out we would welcome any toys that we can use for outdoor play.

Cars, plastic dinosaurs, little people characters, chalk, dolls, prams, plastic animals, suitcases with wheels.

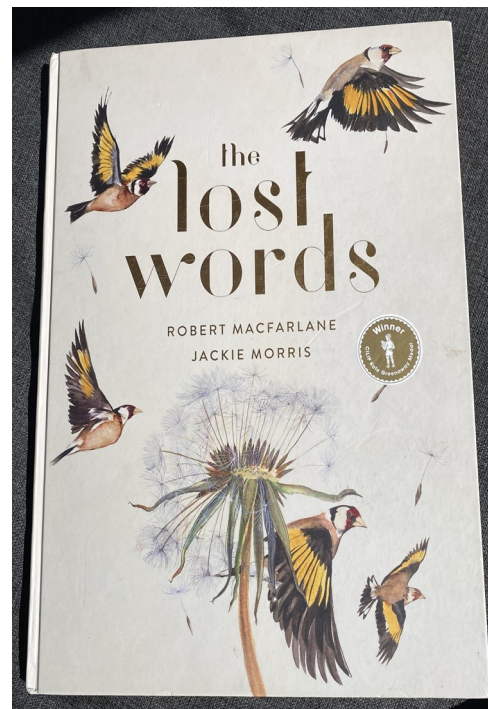
Anything that would be suitable for outdoors.

Thank You



I came across this beautiful book full of wonderful illustrations and rich in vocabulary. I'm recommending it as a book for you to share with our KS2 children. Hope you like it as much as I do.

Miss McKenzie



Blue 6 have been really good at putting suncream on and wearing their sunhats.



 **Yellow 4 have finished their bug hotel and it's in the allotment waiting for bugs to take up residence.**



Class News

Yellow 3: This week the children have enjoyed the lovely weather in the sensory garden and the willow garden. We have started our topic under the sea and read the story 'Commotion in the Ocean'.

Yellow 4: are looking at time in maths by looking at the days of the week and what we do on each day.

Green 5: are learning all about ancient Egypt and have been mummifying an orange.

Green 7: have enjoyed reading 'Handa's Surprise'. We have tried lots of different fruit from the story.

Green 8: have enjoyed reading our new story 'Sharing a shell' and have enjoyed making our own crab from the story.

Red 2: have been making predictions in Science; we wrote what we thought would happen to water in different conditions, and then we carried out an investigation to find out.

Red 4: have had a lovely week. We have enjoyed spending time outside in the sunshine. In English we have been writing discussion texts that compare their favourite characters.

Blue 5: have been learning about mechanisms. We had fun making 'sliders' in Design Technology.

Blue 6: have been reading the story of 'Theseus and the Minotaur' The children were really engaged and excited to learn about it.

Blue 7: have been learning about foods from different countries. After taste testing our favourite was doughnuts from America!

Blue 8: are learning about 'Where in the World' different types of food comes from this half term. We have been tasting some new foods.

Blue 9: started Multi Sports at West Moor FC. The boys had a fantastic time learning new skills and playing team sports.

Stars of the week

Yellow 3: Tommy, Yellow 4: Coen & Swayze, Green 5: Harry,

Green 7: Logan, Green 8: Abenezer, Red 2: Jayden, Red 4: Caleb

Blue 5: Lewis, Blue 6: Ehsan, Blue 7: Jessica, Blue 8: Conner, Blue 9: George,

Achievements of the week

Yellow 3: Tommy, Yellow 4: Coen & Swayze, Green 5: Jaiden Lee

Green 7: Logan, Green 8: Abenezer, Red 2: Theo, Red 4: Alex,

Blue 5: Christian, Blue 6: Philipa, Blue 7: Alana, Blue 8: Olivia, Blue 9: Olly.

100% Attendance this week.

Yell 4, Green 6, Green 8, Red 2, Red 3, Red 4,

