



**Embsay
School**

Embsay Echo

Spring Term 2024

Friday 26th January

LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

Dear Parents / Carers

It has been another busy but productive week in school with lots of great learning going on. Last week I attended a meeting with MP Julian Smith. This followed a meeting with senior education advisors from the local authority to raise concerns about SEND.

You may be aware from recent media reports that funding and provision for SEND children is a concern locally and nationally. At Embsay CE School, like many other schools, we have concerns regarding the support (financial and otherwise) for mainstream schools in supporting SEND children. It is important that schools continue to raise and challenge this issue and we will continue to do so.

Julian Smith acknowledged our concerns and felt that they were valid and not uncommon. If you share our concerns we urge you to contact your local MP.

Have a fantastic weekend ahead!

Mr T. Whitehead

Interim Executive Headteacher

Mnemonic

Thirty days hath September,
April, June and November.
Unless a leap year is its fate,
February hath twenty-eight.
All the rest hath three days more,
excepting January,
which hath six thousand,
one hundred and eighty-four.

Brian Bilston

Staffing News

Mrs Chapman and Mrs Booton will be leaving school over the next few weeks. Mrs Chapman at half term and Mrs Booton the week after half term. They have both been the mainstay of the office for many years ensuring it runs efficiently and smoothly and representing a 'window' to the school. The school community would like to thank them both for all their hard work that they have given. Although we will be sad to see them go, we send them on with all our good wishes for the future. Please do come back and visit!



Keighley & Craven Schools Cross Country Series 2023-2024

I am inviting KS2 Embury pupils to take part in the Keighley and Craven Schools Cross Country events this year. The final two events are taking place on the following dates and at the following locations.

Thurs 8th February 2023 Cliffe Castle—3.15pm primary

Weds 28th February 2023 Marley Playing Fields - 3.45pm primary

Please see separate letter sent for further details.



Useful courses and info for parents

Please find information for parents from NYCC regarding upcoming courses. They advise to book ASAP. Many courses will be repeated in April & June

[Unlocking SEMH for Parents/Carers | NYES Info](#)

[Unlocking ADHD for Parents/Carers | NYES Info](#)

[Unlocking Autism for Parents & Carers 2 Day Course | NYES Info](#)

[Unlocking Autism Plus Modules for Parents & Carers - Girls & Autism | NYES Info](#)

[Unlocking Autism Plus Modules for Parents & Carers - PDA | NYES Info](#)

[Unlocking Autism Plus Modules for Parents & Carers - Selective Mutism | NYES Info](#)

[Unlocking Autism Plus Modules for Parents & Carers - Identity & Autism | NYES Info](#)

Useful NYSCP video [here](#).

REMINDER

Y1 Library books to be returned

Last term Year 1 visited Embsay library and chose their own book to take home. These library books now need to be returned to the library. Please can parents take them back to either Embsay or Skipton library. I am sure you will be welcomed and encouraged to choose a new book if you so choose. Thank you.

Library Book Returns



Pancake Day Fun!

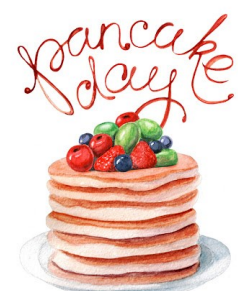
Mr Whitehead would like to start a new tradition at Embsay. He will be making pancakes with all children in school on Friday 23rd February. Unfortunately, Pancake Day falls during half term.

If you are able to donate ingredients, please send an email to the office by Monday 19th February to let us know what you will be bringing in on Friday 23rd February. This will help us keep a track of what we need more or less of.

Suggested donations— eggs, flour, milk, butter, oil.

Toppings—sugar, honey, syrup, lemons, lemon juice, bananas, strawberries or other suitable fresh fruit.

A reminder we are a nut aware school and products containing nuts will not be used.



Parent Support Group

The Parent Support Group is an online group, facilitated by NHS mental health practitioners. The group is a safe space for parents to get together, share their experiences and build positive relationships. A different subject is discussed each month and parents will receive useful information and strategies around the chosen monthly topic.

The topic this month is: Supporting Your Child—Self Esteem.

If parents are interested in attending, please contact the team at: mhstparentsupport@bdct.onmicrosoft.com



BRADFORD AND CRAVEN
trailblazer **NHS**

Parent/Carer Support Group

Supporting Emotional and Mental Health


Tuesday
20th February


10:30am or
7:30pm


Held on Zoom
Please email the
address below

**THIS MONTHS TOPIC:
SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD: SELF ESTEEM**



In this months Parent Support Group, we will be discussing self esteem. During the session, we will think together about what self esteem is, what can impact self esteem and how to build and support building positive self esteem.

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Useful Information for Parents and Carers

SENDIASS stands for Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information Advice and Support Service.

It's a free, impartial, and confidential service offering information to young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and to their parents and carers.



Tuesday 6th February is Safer Internet Day. We teach online safety as part of our Computing and PSHE curriculum but we will be taking this additional opportunity to continue to help the children understand how to stay safe online.

It is important that parents and carers feel prepared and confident about what to do if you or your child sees something inappropriate, upsetting or concerning online. Here are some websites with useful information:

[UK Safer Internet](#) The UK Safer Internet has contact details and information for a number of different organisations who can help with any concerns you may have about things you or your child has seen online.

[CEOPS](#) If you are worried about any kind of online abuse or the way that someone has been communicating on-line, you can make a report to one of CEOPS Child Protection advisors.

[NSPCC](#) If you're worried about something a child or young person may have experienced online, you can contact the [NSPCC Helpline](#) for free support and advice. If your child needs more support, they can contact [Childline](#).

How do we keep children safe online in school?

The Department for Education provides schools with statutory guidance about how what schools must do to must do to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and young people under the age of 18. The publication is called 'Keeping Children Safe in Education'. This year's updates include filtering and monitoring standards to keep children safe on-line.

Filtering systems: block access to harmful sites and content. Monitoring systems: identify when a user accesses or searches for certain types of harmful content on school devices (it doesn't stop someone accessing it). School is then alerted to any concerning content so you can intervene and respond.

Schools now need to:

- identify and assign roles and responsibilities to manage filtering and monitoring systems
- review filtering and monitoring provision at least annually
- block harmful and inappropriate content without unreasonably impacting teaching and learning
- have effective monitoring strategies in place that meet their safeguarding needs

At Embsay CE Primary School, the person with responsibility for filtering and monitoring is Tim Whitehead. The governor with responsibility for filtering and monitoring is Chris Atherton. The monitoring and filtering system is Smoothwall. Smoothwall provides reports and daily email updates to let school know if there have been any searches for concerning content by anyone using our school lap tops and i-pads.



Spring Term 2024

There will be other dates that will be added to the diary as the term progresses, please keep an eye on emails and Newsletters.

Spring Term Dates

Friday 2nd February—Touch Rugby at Sandylands—Y6

Friday 2nd February—Valentine Disco - details tbc (PTA event)

Monday 5th February—Young Voices

Wednesday 7th February—Reception / Year 1 / Year 2— Chinese New Year celebrations

Thursday 8th February—Year 2 Open Classroom—2.40pm

Tuesday 6th February— Safer Internet Day

Friday 9th February—Last day of the first half term

Monday 19th February—First Day of Spring 2 half term

Tuesday 20th February—Swimming Starts—Year 3

Thursday 7th March—World Book Day

Thursday 14th March—Crucial Crew—Y6

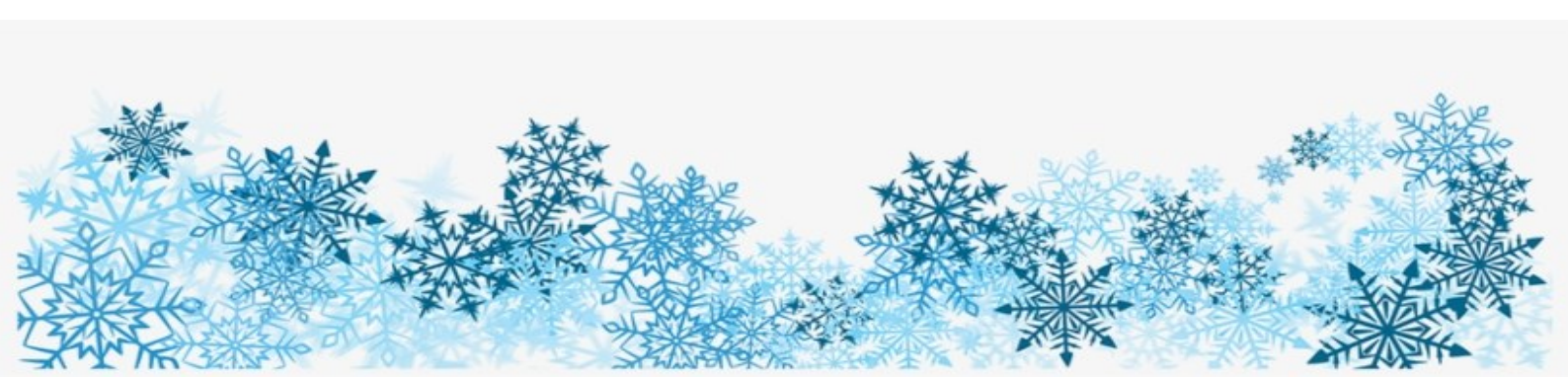
Friday 15th March—Y3 / Y4—Sports Trilogy—Sandylands

Friday 15th March – Easter Eggstravaganza (PTA event)

W/B 18th March—Parent Consultations—Days TBC

Friday March 22nd—End of Spring Term

Friday 28th June – Summer Fayre (PTA event)



Stars of the Week...



Reception	<i>Respect Award — Archie</i> <i>Achievement Award — Nicole / Arthur F</i>
Year 1	<i>Respect Award — Gwylm</i> <i>Achievement Award — Henry / Jesse</i>
Year 2	<i>Respect Award -</i> <i>Achievement Award —</i>
Year 3	<i>Respect Award — William</i> <i>Achievement Award — Billy / Lara</i>
Year 4	<i>Respect Award — Joshua</i> <i>Achievement Award — Isla / Martha</i>
Year 5	<i>Respect Award — Aurora</i> <i>Achievement Award — Alex T / Ella</i>
Year 6	<i>Respect Award — All pupils</i> <i>Achievement Award — Adam / Betsy / Emily / Henry /</i> <i>Jaya / Matthew / Ollie</i>

Extra Curricular Clubs this week

Monday	
Tuesday	Taekwondo—3.20– 4.20pm
Wednesday	Young Voices 3.20-4.30pm Coding Club—3.20-4.30pm
Thursday	Kanga KS1 —3.20-4.20 Rugby KS2— 3.20-4.30pm



Our end of half term newsletter will be
Friday 9th February 2024



Valentine DISCO

WITH DJ SAM!

FRI 2ND FEBRUARY

KEY STAGE 1
5:30-6:30PM

KEY STAGE 2
6:45-8PM

£4

EMBSAY SCHOOL HALL

Tickets includes drink, snack and sweets.

Parents must remain on site. Parents can be responsible for more than one child.

Refreshments for parents available for a donation.

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FEBRUARY HALF TERM CAMPS 2024

Awarded LTA UK Club of the Year | Reception - Age 12



FEB MON **12** TUES **13** WED **14** THUR **15** FRI **16**

DROP OFF
FROM 8.30AM
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School

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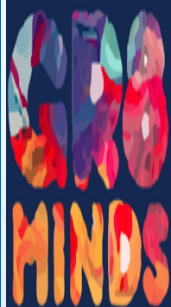


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Autism Awareness Workshop For Parents & Carers 15th February -Settle

THE AIM OF THIS WORKSHOP IS TO PROVIDE PARENTS AND CARERS WITH UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE AUTISTIC SPECTRUM DISORDERS/CONDITIONS, IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THEIR CHILD/YOUNG PERSON PRE OR POST DIAGNOSIS.

THE WORKSHOP WILL TAKE PLACE ON:

THURSDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2024, 6:30-7:30PM AT TOWNHEAD SURGERY ,
SETTLE

TO BOOK A PLACE GO TO :

WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/AUTISM-HEALTH-TALK-FOR-PARENTS-AND-CARERS-TICKETS-757622287657

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE EMAIL HELEN.WALKER84@NHS.NET OR
SHAMEEM.KOSER@NHS.NET



Embsay Cricket Club

Welcomes New Junior Cricketers
For School Years 5 to 8 (inclusive)

Weekly Training Starts

Monday 26th February to 29th April

6.30 - 7.30pm at Ermysted's Grammar School

No kit required - just wear sports clothes
and bring a drink!

Come along or, for more information, contact:

Duncan Bullough

Email: d.bullough@bullough.co.uk

Mob: 07960 408178



Happier January 2024



SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

1 Find three things to look forward to this year

8 Say positive things to the people you meet today

7 Learn something new and share it with others

14 Eat healthy food which really nourishes you today

15 Get outside and notice five things that are beautiful

22 Plan something fun and invite others to join you

21 Try out something new to get out of your comfort zone

29 Say hello to a neighbour and get to know them better

28 Ask other people about things they've enjoyed recently

2 Make time today to do something kind for yourself

9 Get moving. Do something active (ideally outdoors)

16 Contribute positively to your local community

23 Put away digital devices and focus on being in the moment

30 See how many people you can smile at today

3 Do a kind act for someone else to help brighten their day

10 Thank someone you're grateful to and tell them why

17 Be gentle with yourself when you make mistakes

24 Take a small step towards an important goal

31 Write down your hopes or plans for the future

4 Write a list of things you feel grateful for and why

11 Switch off all your tech at least an hour before bedtime

18 Get back in contact with an old friend

25 Decide to lift people up rather than put them down



5 Look for the good in others and notice their strengths

12 Connect with someone near you - share a smile or chat

19 Focus on what's good, even if today feels tough

26 Choose one of your strengths and find a way to use it today



6 Take five minutes to sit still and just breathe

13 Take a different route today and see what you notice

20 Go to bed in good time and allow yourself to recharge

27 Challenge your negative thoughts and look for the upside



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