

27th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

We are excited to share two big news stories with you this week, which really demonstrate our commitment to positive relationships, community, and inclusivity.

Firstly, we were delighted to welcome Siobhan Fitzpatrick, Paralympian, into school on Monday for the launch of our Inspire a Generation Wheelchair Basketball. We are the first school in the country to be offering this fantastic sport, and so this attracted such national interest that the publicity has now reached 9.6 million people. More on this below – including photos which showcase the event brilliantly.

Secondly, we are proud to announce that BGGS has now achieved the Leading Parent Partnership Award! This is national recognition for dedication and commitment brought to engaging with parents and our community. To achieve this prestigious award was a rigorous process, involving an external assessor who met with parents, staff, students, and governors, as well as reviewing our extensive portfolio of evidence. We have provided over 80 events a year for parents to engage with school and are proud of the extensive communication we provide to help keep parents involved in the life of the school and help them support the learning of our children. Clearly, this all ongoing and we are committed to continuing to respond to your feedback to improve what we do even further.

In this week's letter you will find:

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1. The Week Ahead

Next week: National Storytelling Week				
Day	Session	For	Time	Location
Monday				
Tuesday				
Wednesday	STRIKE ACTION – PLEASE SEE ADDTIONAL LETTERS WHICH HAVE BEEN SENT OUT			
Thursday	Seasonal Celebration	Senior Phase	6pm to 8pm	Main Hall
Friday	Reception & Year 1 Stay & Learn	Reception & Year 1 Parents & Carers	Reception 8.30am to 8.50am Year 1 2.50pm to 3.15pm	Lady Royd Classrooms
	Reception Phonics	Reception Parents and Carers	8.40am to 9.30am	Classroom

2. Industrial Action

You are probably aware that the NEU Teachers' Union is planning to strike on Wednesday 1st February. Please see the separate letters about how this is affecting school next Wednesday.

3. The Big Bike Giveaway

We would like to draw attention to this great offer from West Yorkshire Police – they are giving away free bikes to local children up to the age of 18 at Great Horton Community Hub on



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The Big Bike Giveaway.

Officers from Bradford South Neighbourhood Policing Team will be at Great Horton Community Hub located on Beldon Road, Bradford. BD73PE in Saturday 28th January 2023 from 1000 hours.

Officers will be working together with Adrian and his team from OnTrak to provide FREE, Yes you heard right FREE bikes for the local community. Please head down, join the queue, get a ticket which then guarantees a free bike for your child.

Bikes are available for children of all ages up to 18 years.

Officers will also be registering bikes on Bike Register for free and will be signing residents up to community alert.

Spread the word and head on down for the chance to get a free bike and to speak to your local officers



Saturday.

4. Inspire a Generation Wheelchair Basketball

Some fantastic images from our wheelchair basketball event.



5. Inclusive Cricket

The inclusive cricket sessions for our Primary students continue Monday afternoons. This week's session saw the students getting to grips with the game and the finer points of scoring and game rules!



6. Community Notices

Please see attached information about dental services at Farcliffe Family Centre.

Wishing you all a pleasant weekend

l.E. Martin

Yours sincerely

Clare Martin

Principal

DENTISTS AT FARCLIFFE

We have a team of dentists available to see our west locality families on

Thursday 2nd February in partnership with Bradford Babies Bin the Bottle – BDCT

The dentists really want to see as many children's teeth as possible so please bring and encourage your families to attend.

The oral health team will be at **Farcliffe 9.30 – 4.00pm** to give advice and support.

The dentists will be available to see children from **11.30 – 3.30pm**

West Family Hub

Farcliffe Family Centre, 56 Toller Lane Bradford BD8 8QH