



PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been another busy and happy week in school. The final half term of the school year is always a hectic one and this year is certainly no different!

### Staffing and Transition

The year is now nearing its close and our minds are very much focussed on ensuring pupils' transition into their new classes goes as smoothly as possible. Next week, we will be sending out information as to which classes are moving to which teachers. Please look out for this information.

Due to the proposed forthcoming NEU strike action we have moved our in-school transition morning to Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. This is when classes will spend time with their new teachers in their new classrooms. Extra transition work will take place with those pupils who find transition and change especially difficult.

### Strike Action

You will probably now be aware that the NEU has proposed 2 days of strike action to take place on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July and Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. We do not yet know how this strike action will affect us at Low Ash, but we will notify you as soon as we can.

For those Year 6 pupils moving onto secondary schools in Bradford, we are aware that the transition day is planned for Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July. The secondary schools are currently planning what they will be offering and when (this might be an alternative date) and will inform us and you as soon as they have finalised their plans.

### Sporting Success

This week, Low Ash has taken part in two big sporting finals! A team of pupils from across Key Stage 2 took part in the West Yorkshire Panathlon finals and performed incredibly well. Having won the Bradford finals, our Panathlon team was representing Bradford, and in the end finished 8<sup>th</sup> out of all of the 743 primary schools in West Yorkshire, which is a huge achievement. Well done to everyone involved.

On the same day, our U11 boys' football team was also playing in the Bradford Schools' Football Finals. All of the team played superbly and Low Ash was eventually crowned winners after an extremely competitive set of matches. We are very proud of the football team who have had an extremely successful season – congratulations to them all.

### Healthy Schools Week

This year Healthy Schools Week will take place week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> July. During the week we are hoping to invite volunteers into school who have careers linked to 'being healthy'. This could be a career in sport, linked to nutrition eg. a chef, cook or dietician, a career linked to medicine, nursing, mental health etc. Further information will be sent out about this, but if you feel you could help in any way, please let us know, and put the date in your diary!



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### **Outdoor Play and Learning (OPAL) 'Stay and Play' – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June**

A further reminder about the 'Stay and Play' session on the morning of 27<sup>th</sup> June. The plan for parents/ carers is as follows:

#### **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2:**

9.00-9.30 Time in the classroom with your child to see what they have been working on – please go through your child's classroom entrance

9.30-10.00 Talk in the hall about OPAL

10.00-10.30 Play outside with your child

#### **Years 3-6:**

9.00-9.30 Talk in the hall about OPAL – please enter school via the school office

9.30-10.00 Play outside with your child

We are very proud of our playtime provision and would love you to see it.

#### **Opal Donations**

If anyone has any pots, pans, kitchen utensils, washing up bowls or buckets and spades which they would be willing to donate to expand some of our Opal resources, it would be really appreciated. Pushchairs and wheelbarrows are also incredibly popular with the children!

#### **Library Tokens**

A further plea to please nominate Low Ash to win National Book Tokens so we can upgrade the books in our library and classrooms further.

Please nominate Low Ash via the following link:

[WIN £1,000/€1,000 for your school's library! \(nationalbooktokens.com\)](https://www.nationalbooktokens.com)

The five winning schools will receive £1,000 in National Book Tokens and a year's free membership to the School Library Association – PLUS one overall winner will also get £500 to help them create a fun and welcoming library space for all.

#### **Important Dates for your diary:**

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June (am) – 'Stay and Play' OPAL session

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Year 4 visit to Bradford Literature Festival (information has been sent out)

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Transition morning in school (change of date due to proposed strike action)

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July – NEU Strike action

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July - NEU Strike action

We hope you have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you next week.

Kind regards,

Beth Medhurst and Fiona Meer  
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