

Bassenthwaite Primary School



January Newsletter 2018

Thank You!

A great big, thank you to all who supported our Christmas events. We had a very busy end to last term, but thoroughly enjoyed the festivities. It is wonderful to see and hear the appreciation and responses of parents and friends for the hard work that children and staff put into Christmas at Bassenthwaite.

Academy

As of 1st January 2018, Bassenthwaite School has converted to academy status and is now part of Keswick School Multi Academy Trust. We will be having a celebratory launch event on 1st February, at school, between 4 and 5pm, to which parents are cordially invited. Please could you let Mrs Royle know via the form on Parentmail by Thursday 18th January if you wish to attend to ensure we have enough buffet to go round!



Dinner Money

The cost of school dinners will be £13.50 per week, or £72.90 for the half term. Please place payment in the letterbox in the entrance cloakroom. Dinner money cheques should now be made payable to Bassenthwaite School.

FOBs

I take this opportunity to thank Friends of Bassenthwaite School for their sterling efforts raising funds so far this academic year for our children and for organising a wonderful Christmas party.

Parentmail

Please may I remind parents to read Parentmail messages on a regular basis? The system has certainly cut down on the amount of paper being used for messaging parents and the level of communication, but it is vital that we receive the online permissions etc on time. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

School Absences

It is vitally important that you inform the school office if your child is absent for any reason from school. This should be done on the first day of absence, preferably by 9.10am so registers can be completed accordingly. This should be repeated for every consecutive day of absence. Please may I also take this opportunity to remind you that holidays during term time in most instances can not be authorised. There are exceptional circumstances which can be seen at <http://www.keswick.cumbria.sch.uk/Leave-for-Exceptional-Circumstances->

Parking

Please be advised that parents are not to park on the school car park at the beginning and end of the school day. The car park is needed as a turning area and can cause congestion if not adhered to.

Parental Use of Social Media

Please find attached our policy for use of social media. It has come to my attention that some parents have been contacting staff via Facebook Messenger. This is not acceptable practice and communication should be through school either by telephone, email to adminbassenthwaite@keswick.cumbria.sch.uk or face to face. Many thanks for your co-operation.

Hope you all have an enjoyable half term
Sara Royle