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Newsletter

Friday 24th November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

I cannot believe that we are hurtling towards the end of November and the fun and excitement of the Christmas season is nearly upon us. Information about Christmas Cards will be coming home next week.

Our Year 1 children had a fascinating visit this week sending them back into the past and the times of Florence Nightingale. They learnt about her life and work and had great fun doing it.

Thanks to your generosity we raised £151 for Children in Need last week and had some fun at the same time!

Next Wednesday we will be serving the menu for Friday (Chicken Goujons) as this has not been served yet.

Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs Smith x

Why is reading at home so important?

Children with access to 25 books at home complete an average of 2 more years of school than children from homes without any books.



Reading is a critical skill for succeeding in most school subjects.



A child spends 900 hours a year in school and 7800 hours at home.

Research shows that just 20 minutes a day spent reading with a child helps them develop critical reading skills.



Kids 4-5 years old gain 6 months of reading ability by being read to 3 to 5 times per week.



Learn more:

smartreading.org/parent-resources



10 ways to become a better reader...



Medication in school

If your child requires any form of medication to be administered during the school day including asthma pumps, please ensure that you complete a form in the office and hand the medication to them. **Please do not put it in your child's book bag as this is not safe!**

Gate Times and Lateness

Please remember that the Gate for Year 1 & 2 and the doors for Reception open at 8.30. Children should be in school no later than 8.40am. After this time they are marked as late and this will affect their attendance levels.



Toys

As we are nearing Christmas, we are all beginning to prepare for the big day. If you have any toys, games uniform etc you would like to get rid of, please bring them into the office and we will gratefully accept them into school.



Celebrations in school this month

So far in school this month we have celebrated in our classrooms Armistice Day, learning about Peace and how this has been achieved. We have spoken about the poppy and its significance. We learnt about Diwali as the Festival of light and made lovely patterns and art work.



In November we will celebrate:

Armistice Day

Diwali

St Andrew's Day 30th

Bhai Dooj (festival of brothers and sisters)

Reminders

30th Nov & 1st Dec

School closed for Staff Training

Monday 4th December

Santa Run – Nursery, Reception, Year1 and Year 2 – Details to follow

Tuesday 5th December

Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 Parent Consultations – Details to follow

Thursday 7th December

Year 2 Choir – Mayors Concert

Friday 8th December

Christmas Jumper day

Monday 11th December

Christmas Raffle Tickets go on sale - Details to follow.

Christmas Card post box opens

Tuesday 12th December

Year 2 Christmas Concerts – 9.15 – 9.45 2W, 10.00 – 10.30 2F, 10.45 – 11.15 2S Details to follow.

Wednesday 13th December

Whole School Christmas Dinner Day

Reception Christmas Concerts - 9.15 – 9.45 R1R, 10.00 – 10.30 RW, 10.45 – 11.15 RBV
Details to follow.

Thursday 14th December

Year 1 Christmas Concerts - 9.15 – 9.45 1C, 10.00 – 10.30 1B and R1R (Yr1),
Details to follow.

Monday 18th December

Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 Christmas Parties

Tuesday 19th December

Nursery Closes

Wednesday 20th December

School closes for Christmas at 1.30pm



Winter Menu 2023 Week 1 – 27/11,11/12

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Sausage Vegetarian Sausage(V) Gravy (V)	Fish Fingers	Mild Chicken Curry Quorn Curry(v)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)	Chicken Goujon Quorn Nuggets(v)
Mashed Potato	Potato Waffle	Fluffy Rice Naan Bread(v)	Potato Crispers	Chips
Sliced Carrots	Spaghetti Hoops	Cauliflower	Creamy Coleslaw	Mini Corn on the Cob
Homemade Biscuit	Ice Cream Pot	Chocolate Brownie	Fruit Pot	Mini Doughnuts
Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milkshake or Fruit Juice

Winter Menu 2023 Week 2 – 4/12, 18/12

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Meatballs served in a Tomato and Basil Sauce Vegetarian Meatballs served in a Tomato and Basil Sauce (V)	Sausage Roll Vegetarian Sausage Roll (v)	Crispy Coated Fish Fillet	All Day Breakfast Bacon Sausage (v)	Ham Roll Cheese Roll
Pasta	Crispy Potato Puffs	Chips	Hash Brown Bites	Crisps
Sweetcorn	Baked Beans	Peas	Baked Beans	Carrot and Cucumber Sticks
Chocolate Chip Cookie	Fruit Yoghurt Pot	American Style Pancake Served with Fruit Sauce	Fruit Jelly Pot	Frube Yoghurt Tube
Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milk or Fruit Juice	Water, Milkshake or Fruit Juice