

7th February 2020

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Day	Date	Event
Mon	10.2.20	2.45pm Ireland Demonstration of Learning
Tues	11.2.20	2.45pm Finland Demonstration of Learning
Weds	12.2.20	2.45pm Netherlands Demonstration of Learning
Weds	12.2.20	Always Green Treat – Magician
Fri	14.2.20	Break up
Mon	24.2.20	Back to School

BUN SALES – 50p

Date	Class to bring buns
14.2.20	Poland
28.2.20	Netherlands
6.3.20	Switzerland
13.3.20	Italy
20.3.20	Sweden
27.3.20	Denmark
24.4.20	Greece
1.5.20	Spain
8.5.20	Germany
15.5.20	France
22.5.20	Ireland
5.6.20	Austria
12.6.20	UK
19.6.20	Finland
26.6.20	Poland
3.7.20	Belgium
10.7.20	Switzerland
17.7.20	Netherlands

TOAST ROTA – 50p

Monday	Reception
Tuesday	Years 1 & 2
Wednesday	Years 3 & 4
Thursday	Years 5 & 6

YOUR SCHOOL MENU

Week Commencing Monday 10th February
 Assorted sandwiches & Panini's, freshly baked rolls, jacket potatoes, fresh salads and fruits are available daily

MONDAY

Spaghetti Bolognese and Pitta Bread
 Cod Fillet Fish Fingers and Ketchup
 Creamed Potatoes and Sweetcorn with Broccoli

Rainbow Sponge and Chocolate Sauce
 A Choice of Cold Desserts

TUESDAY

Cod Fillet Fish and Ketchup
 Chips and Garden Peas
 Sweet and Sour Chicken With Rice and Tortilla

Jam Sponge and Custard
 A Choice of Cold Desserts

WEDNESDAY

Chicken Fillet and a Yorkshire Pudding
 Cheese Pie
 Roasted New Potatoes and Carrot and Suede Mash

Zingy Lemon Drizzle and Custard
 A Choice of Cold Desserts

THURSDAY

Meat and Potato Pie and Gravy
 Tomato and Cheese Pasta With Garlic Bread
 Seasonal New Potatoes, Fresh Carrots and Garden Peas

Syrup Sponge and Custard
 A Choice of Cold Desserts

FRIDAY

Pizza With Assorted Toppings
 Hotdogs
 Spicy Potato Wedges and Baked Beans

Chocolate Sponge and Chocolate Sauce
 A Choice of Cold Desserts

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News from this week

Look North Sofa Push

We received an exciting phone call yesterday. Look North contacted us to ask if we'd be involved in this event. As you may be aware, the sofa push, in aid of Sports Relief, is coming through Southowram and is passing school. We are planning an exciting event to really show the Yorkshire region that we know how to have fun at Withinfields. We're just finalising arrangements and will be telling the children about our plans on Monday. We are hoping to also involve parents and so will provide more information in the next newsletter!

Children's Mental Health Week

It is important that I include information about Children's mental health due to the fact that it has been Children's Mental Health Week this week. This is run by the children's mental health charity Place2Be and focuses on the importance of looking after emotional wellbeing from an early age.

This year's theme is 'Find your Brave'. You can find useful ideas and resources to support your child by following this link:

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

Information for next week

Demonstrations of Learning

These will take place on Monday (Ireland), Tuesday (Finland) and Wednesday (Netherlands) at 2.45pm. They are an opportunity for the children to demonstrate all the amazing learning that they have been involved in over the last term. We look forward to seeing you there.

Visits

We have three trips taking place next week! Y4 will be visiting a mosque as part of their work in RE and Ireland and Germany will be going to Tesco on Wednesday and Thursday to learn all about food and produce. We know that they will all act as amazing Withinfields ambassadors!

Values week

Many year groups are going to be learning about 'Values' as their topic next week. This will include our school values of Respect, Fairness, Forgiveness, Friendship, Trust and Happiness but the older children will be learning about fundamental values. These include understanding about democracy, individual liberty, the rule of law and mutual respect and tolerance of people with different faiths. We are hoping to create a display of a collection of their work in the hall so that you can see it when you come into school.

Safer Internet Day

It is Safer Internet Day next Tuesday. Although we continually remind children about the importance of keeping themselves safe online, we will be reinforcing this message next week.

If you need any help or information about keeping your child protected when they are using devices online, please follow this link:

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers/resources-parents-and-carers>

Other information

World Book Day

This will take place on Thursday 5th March. We are hoping that children will enter into the spirit of the day by dressing up and so are giving plenty of notice to start to think about costumes.

Your child may choose to dress up as a book character for the day. Because we recognise though that not everyone likes to dress up as a book character, we have decided to offer another suggestion.

We have been working hard for a little while now trying to build children's vocabulary so that they can use interesting words in their writing and understand technical vocabulary involved in topics. We are therefore suggesting that they could dress up as a word. It can be as simple as 'spotty' or more complicated like 'flamboyant' or for the really creative amongst you, it could be 'precipitation'. The more exciting the word, the better!

I've included some examples of costumes on the next page but please be as creative as you can and remember to include the word in the costume!

Discos

After the success of our Halloween disco, we have decided to repeat the event around World Book Day. We will be inviting Y3-Y6 on Wednesday 4th March straight after school until 4.45pm and Early Years, Y1 and Y2 children on Thursday 5th March again until 4.45pm.

If your child would like to attend their disco, please send £3 per child to the office or pay via school gateway. The price includes crisps and unlimited drinks.

If you are available to help at the disco, please let the school office know. All volunteers will need to have a DBS certificate.

Gymnastics

Mrs Baines is starting to plan for the Calderdale Gymnastics Competition. She is hoping to enter two teams – a boys' and a girls' team – and is particularly keen to hear from any boys who have experience in gymnastics and who would be able to attend training after school on Thursdays. Please send a message to the office if your son is interested.

Nursery Applications for September

If you have a child that you would like to start in Nursery in September, please ensure that you have completed your Nursery application form and handed it in to school by 23rd April.

We will allocate sessions soon after this date and any applications received after 23rd April will be treated as late

applications and will therefore have sessions allocated after the others.

Parental word of mouth is our best form of advertising so please pass this information on to neighbours and friends if they have a child ready for nursery.

Staff Car Park

Please can I remind all parents that parents should not be using the staff car park at pick up and drop off times. Because the school has grown in size since it was built and therefore the number of staff has increased, there are not enough spaces for staff to park their cars and therefore it is not safe for parents to be turning around in the car park.

From next week, staff will be patrolling the car park entrance and the gate will be closed and locked at certain times around pick up and drop off. If you are late bringing or picking your child up, please do not park in the school car park but find a safe place to park and then walk around to the main entrance.

Turning off your engine

Please can you ensure if you are parking near school that you turn your engine off while you are waiting. It will hopefully reduce the amount of fumes around school and therefore make the air cleaner for all.

Ideas for Vocabulary costumes

