

5th February 2021

Menu for School Dinners

Monday Tomato and Basil Pasta with garlic bread Tuna or ham sandwich Biscuit or Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Tuesday Fish fingers with herby diced potatoes and sweetcorn Tuna or ham sandwich Chocolate sponge and custard or Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Wednesday Roast Chicken Dinner Cheese or chicken sandwich Raspberry Ripple Mousse or Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Thursday Sausage butty with herby diced potatoes and beans Cheese or chicken sandwich Chocolate Fudge pudding and custard or Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Friday Pizza with chips and beans Cheese or ham sandwich Lemon drizzle pudding and custard or Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit

Zoom sessions

If you need details for the meetings, please contact your child's classteacher.

Please make sure that all people in the home know that your child is on zoom to the rest of their year group during the call so that we don't get any unwanted video or audio footage during the calls. Please make sure that your child is appropriately dressed for the calls. If we have concerns about the video or sound coming from your child's call, we will stop the video or mute them.

The meetings take place as follows:

Monday and Thursday at 9.30am	Year 6
Monday and Thursday at 11am	Year 2
Monday and Thursday at 1pm	Reception
Monday and Thursday at 2pm	Year 1
Tuesday and Friday at 9.30am	Year 3
Tuesday and Friday at 11am	Year 4
Tuesday and Friday at 1pm	Year 5

News from this week

Dress to Express

It has been lovely to see photos from home of children dressing to express themselves at the end of this Children's Mental Health Week. Children and staff in school have also enjoyed a day in their choice of clothing. Thank you for joining in as it is events like these that help us to feel like a community still even though we are currently separated. We raised over £85 for Noah's Ark—thank you!

Maths Battles

Mrs Gonzalez-Hill opened some battles this week on TT Rockstars and we are also looking at the effort points for children in Reception and Year 1 on Numbots. Each class is competing against the other class in the year group. On TT Rockstars, any answer in any type of game counts towards the total for the class. On Numbots, any participation in activities on the story mode or challenge mode will earn effort points and we can then work out which class has made most effort! I can't wait to announce the results!

Information for next week

Snow

There is snow forecast next week although it hopefully won't be as bad as expected! We will inform you via text message (or the Gateway app for those that have this) and via ClassDojo whole school story as soon as decisions are made and we also publish any full closure on the Calderdale Council website. We are currently investigating a change to our text messaging provider as we are aware that some of the texts that we sent out this Tuesday morning, didn't not get to everyone despite the system telling us they had! Many apologies for those that didn't get clear communication from us.

Other information

February Half Term

School will close to all pupils on Friday 12th February and will not be open to critical workers or vulnerable children during half term.

For those families who are receiving FSM vouchers, you will not receive a voucher for the week of half term but you may be able to access support through the Covid Winter Grant Scheme which is organised by Calderdale Council on behalf of the government.

Withinfields' Lottery

We will be continuing to hold our Withinfields' Lottery during lockdown so please do not hesitate to buy a ball when you come to collect your child's work each week or pay online and we will ring you so that you can choose your number. The more people that are in it, the greater the prize money!

FSM vouchers

These are available for families with children eligible for Free School Meals in Reception to Year 6 where they are not able to attend school. This is through the national voucher scheme. Miss Redmond has ordered the vouchers and parents should have received their allocations. If you have any problems, please contact Miss Redmond.

Nursery for September

In the coming months, we will be starting to look at our Nursery intake for September. If you have a child that will be 3 years old by 31.8.21 please let Miss Redmond know if you would like them to have a place in our nursery. She will then be able to let you have the necessary forms to complete.

World Book Day

Just a forward notice that World Book Day is on 4th March and we will be inviting children to dress up as their favourite book character. There will be more information next week and after half term about the day but we thought you may want as much notice as possible to start thinking about characters. There will be an opportunity for children at home to send in a photograph of themselves dressed as their character for our virtual parade competition so all can take part!

Safeguarding and e-safety

Unfortunately, some children from our school were able to access unsafe content via a well-known social media app last weekend while they were at home. This was distressing for all involved. Thankfully, the children did inform their parents and the concern was passed on to the relevant safeguarding agency by school and the parent- <https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/>

A representative from CEOP contacted school and has asked us to share this advice with all parents so that you can ensure that you have the essential controls to keep your children safe when they are using online applications.

Please use the parental controls that are available via your internet provider and additional permissions on all devices. This is essential as there are lots of apps that are used for online grooming.

All internet use needs to be monitored and please refrain from allowing children to sign up to apps if they are not age appropriate.

For further information please take a look at these recommend websites:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

<https://www.common sense media.org/homepage> - there is a Parents 'Need To Know' drop down tab.

If you need any further advice please contact Ms Lowerson, Mrs Barton or Mrs York.