



NEWSLETTER - 15.9.23



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Events coloured in green are either those which are funded by our enrichment pot or events that contribute to the pot as fundraising. Thank you for your support.

Day	Date	Event
Weds	27.9.23	Y3/4 Trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park
Thurs	28.9.23	MacMillan Coffee Morning
Weds	4.10.23	Parents' Evening
Weds	11.10.23	6.30pm Poetry Festival evening - details to follow
Thurs	12.10.23	Nasal Flu vaccinations - see attached letter
w/c	16.10.23	Y6 Assessments
Thur	19.10.23	8.45am and 2.30pm Y1/2 leading Harvest Festival - Y1/2 Grown-ups welcome
Tue	24.10.23	2.40pm Spain Demonstration of Learning
Wed	25.10.23	2.40pm Belgium Demonstration of Learning
Fri	27.10.23	Last day of term and Community breakfast

BUN SALES – 50p

Date	Class to bring buns
22.9.23	Nursery
29.9.23	Denmark
6.10.23	Reception
13.10.23	Italy
20.10.23	Greece
27.10.23	Netherlands

TOAST ROTA – 50p

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

OUR SCHOOL MENU

(Subject to change due to stock shortages)

Monday

Fish Fingers
Vegetable Sausage Roll
Ham Sandwich
Cheese Wrap
Oven Baked Potato Wedges, Peas and Sweetcorn

Lemon Drizzle Sponge

Fruit

Yoghurt

Tuesday

Chicken Fillet Burger in a Bun
Quorn Chicken Fillet in a Bun
Turkey Sandwich
Tuna Wrap
Diced Herby Potatoes, Carrots & Green Beans

Biscuit

Fruit

Yoghurt

Wednesday

Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding
Quorn Roast Chicken & Yorkshire Pudding
Tuna Sandwich
Turkey Wrap
Oven Baked Roast Potatoes, Cabbage & Broccoli

Strawberry Smoothie

Fruit

Yoghurt

Thursday

Sweet & Sour Chicken
Tomato & Basil Pasta
Cheese Sandwich
Ham Wrap
Rice, Pitta Bread, Mixed Vegetables

Chocolate Fudge Cake

Fruit

Yoghurt

Friday

Margherita Pizza
Vegetable Seashell Pasta
Tuna Sandwich
Ham Wrap
Chips and Beans

Rice Pudding

Fruit

Yoghurt

News from this week

Assemblies this half term

We are following a number of themes in our assemblies this half term. On Mondays, we are focusing on taking care of our environment with us thinking about litter and what we should do with our rubbish in this week's assembly. On Tuesdays, we are thinking about Positive learning and social behaviours. The Key Stage assemblies on Wednesdays and Thursdays will focus on our Core Values. For those that are not aware, our six core values are forgiveness, fairness, friendship, respect, trust and happiness.

Information for next week

Good News Assembly

We are starting our weekly Good News Assemblies next Friday. The first one will be for Key Stage 1 and EYFS. We have decided to move these this year to 8.45am on Friday morning. This means that parents, who have been invited, can just stay at school when they've dropped their child off. As always, parents will be invited by ClassDojo if their child is due to be celebrated in the assembly. It is lovely if children have an important adult there so if you are unable to attend, please invite a grandparent or other important adult instead. Entry will be via the main entrance.

Reading Conversations

Please watch out on ClassDojo each Monday for the Reading Question of the Week! We are keen to get the whole Withinfields' Community talking about their reading. We will therefore be posting, on Class Stories each week, a question relating to reading which we would like families to talk about at home and post replies to their classteacher via ClassDojo. This can be via the comment facility where everyone can see it or through a private message. For example, the question may be "What is your favourite picture book?" or "What's the best new word that you have come across in your reading this week?" The idea that it engages children and adults at home in talk about their books and may even stretch to conversations between parents when waiting at pick up! Parents who show an interest in what their child is reading or show that they enjoy reading demonstrate to children how important it is.

Please try to get involved. I will be watching to see which classes have the best book chat!

Other information

MacMillan Coffee Morning

We are organising a MacMillan coffee morning on Thursday, 28th September from drop off time until 10.30am. This is for adults (pre-school children are welcome) as pupils will be in class. Please invite grandparents and friends of Withinfields to come.

I am hoping to have a cake stall (to take home) as well as selling refreshments and goodies to enjoy at the event. If you would like to volunteer to support this event in any

way - serving refreshments, baking cakes to sell or serve, selling raffle tickets - please let me know via direct message on ClassDojo.

We have had a number of Withinfields' families affected by cancer this year which is why we want to support this vital charity.

TTRockstars

All children in Key Stage 2 should have a Times Tables Rock Stars login. This is a program that they can use to practise their times tables in a fun way. They can compete in competitions against others but can also just challenge themselves to beat their last score. If your child does not have their login, please ask your child's classteacher.

Please encourage your child to practise their times tables as much as possible. Year 2 children will also receive their logins as they start to learn some of the times tables.

Headlice

We seem to have some of these little creatures return to school with some children after the Summer holidays! Please can you all check your children's hair regularly and treat as necessary.

Water Bottles

Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school each day with water in it so that they can remain hydrated during the day.

We will endeavour to remember to remind them to bring them home regularly so that they can be washed.

Change of date

Just in case anyone made a note of the diary dates on the front of the newsletter last week, the parents' evening date has changed. We received the dates from Brighouse High School and realised that our Parents' Evening clashed with their information evening for those that are considering Brighouse High for their Year 6 child. We have therefore changed it to Wednesday, 4th October. Information will come out in due course for you to book appointments.

Holidays during Term Time

The Department for education has published new guidance that has come into effect from this September. New legislation states that head teachers can now only grant a leave of absence in exceptional circumstances. This means that a leave of absence will not be granted for family holidays. If you take your child out of school for a holiday this absence will be marked as unauthorised. If a child has 5 or more days of holiday absence within a school year, we are obliged to refer them to the Education Welfare Officer who will issue a fixed penalty notice. Each parent can be issued with a penalty notice per child. This would mean that two parents with two children can potentially be issued with four Fixed Penalty Notices.

We hope that you will support us by booking any holidays during the school holidays so that we do not have to refer to EWO in this way.

Parking on Fairfax Crescent

A resident has complained about the manner in which some parents and carers are parking on Fairfax Crescent. Please ensure that you are parking in a safe and considerate manner if parking in any area around school, ensuring that you do not block residents' drives and garages and avoiding parking on the pavement so that it is blocked for prams and pushchairs.

Attendance

Mrs Barton, our deputy head, is the person who is responsible for ensuring that children attend school regularly and only remain absent for an appropriate reason. She has attached a leaflet as a reminder of the reasons why good attendance is important to children's education.