

# Withinfields' Newsletter - 27.6.25

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.		BUN SALES – 50p We hold a bun sale on Fridays at playtime. We ask for donations of buns from a different class each week as detailed below. Proceeds from these sales go into our Enrichment pot which funds trips and special events for all children.		TOAST ROTA – 50p Children can purchase toast each week by bringing 50p on their day as detailed below or payment can be made via School Gateway at any time. This will be provided at playtime.	
Every Tuesday at 2.30pm - Nursery parents' story time with Mrs Jordan Tues 1st July - 3.20pm Summer Fayre Thurs 3rd July - Y1/2 trip to Whistle Stop Valley Thurs 3rd July - Voices Together concert for choir members Fri 4th July - Y6 transition day Weds 9th July - 1.45pm and 6.30pm Y5/6 production Thurs 10th July - Sports day 9am EYFS and KS1 and 10.30am KS2 Weds 16th and Thurs 17th July - Transition days into new classes Fri 18th July - 9am Leavers' Service and 3.10pm Guard of honour for Y6		Date	Class to bring buns	Monday	Reception and Nursery
		4.7.25	Sweden		
		11.7.25	Austria	Tuesday	Years 1 & 2
		18.7.25	Belgium		
				Wednesday	Years 3 & 4
				Thursday	Years 5 & 6
School Dinner M Although we aim t	<b>enu</b> o serve this menu next we	eek, sometimes stock a	availability means that i	t does have to be al	tered at short notice.
	Main	Vegetables	Sandwich	Side dish	Desserts
Monday	Battered fish Cheese roll	Baked beans Salad bar	Tuna sandwich Chicken wrap	Chips	Strawberry mousse Fresh fruit Yoghurt
Tuesday	Mince and onion pie Quorn mince with Yorkshire pudding	Carrots Peas Salad bar	Turkey sandwich Tuna wrap	New potatoes	Marble sponge cake Fresh fruit Yoghurt
Wednesday	Chicken fillet Quorn fillet	Cauliflower Green beans Salad bar	Cheese sandwich Ham wrap	Roast potatoes	Jam bun Fresh fruit Yoghurt
Thursday	Chicken Pasta Tomato and basil pasta	Mixed vegetables Salad bar	Cheese sandwich Ham wrap	Rice Wrap	Chocolate crispie bun Fresh fruit Yoghurt
Friday	Pizza Sausage roll	Sweetcorn Salad bar	Tuna sandwich Ham wrap	Diced potatoes	Chocolate sponge Fresh fruit Yoghurt

# Buns and Toast Sponsor of the week

We do not have a sponsor for this week or the remaining weeks of term. Toast and buns can therefore only be provided for those that have paid via School Gateway or in cash on the day next week.

If you have a company that would like to sponsor a week or you wish to do it as a family, please let me know on ClassDojo or via email and I can let you have details of how to pay. You can use it as an opportunity to raise awareness of your business through being named in the newsletter, take the credit yourself or ask to remain anonymous.

## News from this week

## **Multiplication Tables Check**

We got the results of our Multiplication Tables Check this week which is a statutory test that Year 4 children sit. The average score for the cohort is slightly below the National average for last year but this cohort has a large proportion of children who have special educational needs and therefore we were pleased with how close to the national average we achieved. Well done to all in Year 4 who have worked hard to learn their times tables!

#### Y4 Trip to Magna

Year 4 went to visit Magna this week and, according to the teachers who accompanied them, they all behaved amazingly well and enjoyed the museum and workshops which linked to the work that they have completed in Science.

## Y5/6 visit to the Houses of Parliament

I had a truly lovely day on Wednesday! It started at 7am when I met 4 other staff and 10 children, chosen from Years 5 and 6, at Brighouse Railway Station. The children had applied to go on this visit by writing a letter justifying why they should be chosen. We took the train to King's Cross station where we jumped on The London Underground to Victoria station.

From here, we walked to see Buckingham Palace, where it was incredibly busy due to the changing of the guard ceremony. After a quick photo shoot, we moved on to have lunch in St James' park where we were the centre of attraction for a scurry of squirrels! We then walked to the Houses of Parliament, taking in the sights of Westminster Abbey, Big Ben and The London Eye on the way.

Our tour of the Houses of Parliament was really interesting. We were shown around many of the areas of the building and even got to sit in the public gallery watching Prime Minister's Question Time, although he wasn't there on the day. Following this, we had a workshop and a question and answer session with our local MP, Kate Dearden.

We made our way back to King's Cross station, with a quick stop at McDonalds, and made our way home. Fifteen very tired people dismounted the train just after 7pm! The children all expressed that they had had a fabulous day. For some, it had been the first time that they had ever been on a train, so to take a train all the way to London was a true adventure!

We are hoping to make this an annual visit so encourage the Year 4 and 5 children to aim to get on to this truly special visit next year!

## Mrs Gonzalez-Hill's fundraising

Mrs Gonzalez-Hill kindly transferred the funds from her epic walk at half term, this week. The total was just over £875 which is amazing! Thank you to all those people who donated the money and especially to Mrs Gonzalez-Hill!

## Year 6 basic first aid

The Year 6 children received training this week in basic first aid and resuscitation. We do this every year with our Year 5 and 6 children as a basic life skill. The Year 5 children will have their sessions next week.

## Information for next week

# Summer Fayre

This will take place on 1st July straight after school. As part of this, we will have a second-hand uniform stall where any parent can take uniform ready for next year. If you have any uniform that your child has outgrown, please put it to one side so that you can bring it to school on 30th June in readiness for the stall. Please do not send it in sooner than this as we do not have the space to store it.

Thank you for the parents who have offered to take some of the lost property to wash and dry it ready for the stall. If anyone else is able to take this, please let us know.

We are also collecting prizes for our tombola which is always a very popular stall! If you have any unused toiletries, small toys, bric-a-brac or other useful items that you would be happy to donate for this stall, please send them into school via the office so that we can prepare for the stall.

We operate a cash-free system on the stalls at the Summer Fayre with families being able to purchase token cards via School Gateway at £2.50 each. Each card has five spaces for stamps with each space being worth 50p and therefore each card costs £2.50. All stalls cost 50p or a multiple of 50p. We will be selling the cards before and on the day at the office for those that wish to use cash.

## Y5 Fire Safety talk

We are hoping that the fire service will be able to attend school on Monday to talk to the Year 5 children about fire safety. This is a rearranged date due to them being called to an emergency last time it was booked.

## Year 1 and 2 trip to Whistlestop Valley

The Year 1 and 2 children are looking forward to their visit to Whistlestop Valley next week to find out more about transport and take a ride on a steam locomotive. This is the last of our trips for this year which have all been paid for by your generous donations for buns and toast and through your support for fundraising activities over the whole year. Thank you for your support!

#### Voices together

Our prize-winning choir is performing, with lots of other Calderdale school choirs, on Thursday evening at The Victoria Theatre. They will perform on their own to a huge audience as well as taking part in lots of ensemble numbers with all the other choirs. We are certain that they will be amazing ambassadors for Withinfields.

## Other information

## Y5/6 End of Year Production

The Year 5 and 6 children will be performing a production called Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits on Wednesday 9th July at 1.45pm and at 6.30pm. If any Year 5 and 6 families wish to purchase tickets, please see the payment option within School Gateway or contact the school office with cash. Each family can have up to two tickets for each performance.

#### Advance warning of dinner money price rise

Governors have agreed that from September, the price of a school dinner will increase to £2.75. This is due to costs increasing. If your child is not currently eligible for a free school meal and you feel that they should be, please contact Mr Laycock for the link to the online application form. If you have already completed this, it will automatically check each week for you and we will let you know if your eligibility changes. We have been given confirmation though that children that have been eligible during 2024-25 will automatically retain eligibility during 2025-26.

## Holiday activities

We are aware that the summer holidays are approaching and that keeping children fed and entertained during the full six weeks can be a challenge. There are lots of opportunities available for children who are eligible for free school meals to be booked on to, many of which include a free meal at lunchtime and free activities. Please see this link to apply <a href="https://healthyholidays.calderdale.gov.uk/">https://healthyholidays.calderdale.gov.uk/</a> There is still good availability on some of

the sessions and weeks. There are also some opportunities which particularly cater for children with Special Educational Needs. For example, Rokt on Fridays. It's definitely worth a look!

We have also been informed of this opportunity for children in Years 3-6. Priority is given to children in postcode HD6 3... but it may be that if it isn't filled, other children could have a chance. See below for the flyer.

